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# HISTORY OF LIMEKILNS NSW

I have put together some of the records, family trees and stories etc gathered up over the years to lay the information out in chronological order, this may assist people in the future gaining information about the Limekilns area. Also to give an insight into the day by day events as the area evolved from the 1820'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 Aborigines, what the first Europeans saw, the settlers and their flocks, the golden days of gold, creating a settlement, growth of families, and on into the present.

Where possible I have copied direct from records and notes, therefore 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 therefore 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".

After working on this for a while I became aware of the number of Limekilns in the world and what do I call this book to identify it as "our" Limekilns, so I settled on the postal address, LIMEKILNS NSW, with a photo of the marble works and old hotel to help identify.

Writing a book like this is an endless search for bits and pieces of the past relating to a certain area and certain people, one big detective case, and I enjoy it.

There are several sources of this information, and today with access to Government Records, newspapers and web based sites a lot of time can be saved compared to the old days of trips to Sydney with pencil and paper and a lot of time.

But it is the old peoples stories, boxes of records, photos, family records that provide the pieces that fill the gaps that newspaper records leave,.

When I started on this I already had the School and Post Office records, a lot of the family trees and some photos. So I put that together with Gov and newspaper records and then it hit me.

All the old residents and their records have been devoured by the maker and killer of history, time!.

But with the help of a few kind hearted people who produced photos and records I was able to put this together.

## LOCATION.

The area we are looking at is in New South Wales approx. 220km west of Sydney and 15 to 25km North of Bathurst.

Limekilns covers an area of about 15km long (South to North), Clear Creek to the tablelands 2km north of the junction of the Wattle Flat-Blue Hill Roads and 7km wide (East to West) in the Parish of Jesse.

Within this area there are several small locations. Like suburbs in a city.

Starting on the road to Limekilns from Bathurst at the bridge over Clear Creek, at 0.8k you go past the *Pymonts Lane* to Peel on left, 2.0km *Bread & Butter Flat*. 3.2 km small block of ground on right, this was the *Hollybrook School Site*. Over the bridge on *Quart Pot Creek* straight road over a slight rise, at 5.0k, on the left *McEvoys*. 5.5k on right *Atchesons*, at 7.3k, *Rotton Hill*. Sign *Limekilns*. At 8.1k *Clear Vale*. Past houses and sheds and down hill at 9km on right where the *Kilgobbin Castle* was, just before old hotel, road to right "*Tabberatong*". Next "*Rosedale*", (old hotel) and old steam engine from marble works. 200m cross roads. Road to the right, Mt Horrible, Palmers Oakey. Along this road 800m *Diamond Creek*, on the right an area known as "*Happy Valley*", and 3k on the right the old "*Fernbrook*" marble & limekilns. *Starks* on the left, 4km the *The Brook*, 5km on left *Says block*.

Back at the crossroads to the west are the caves and "*Alice Dale*" Marble works, and *Cheshire Creek*. Going north at 100m cross *Diamond Creek*, 2 km on the right the *Limekilns School* house, & 200m north across the creek the old "Dulcis Vale" homestead. Country on the left was McKinnons. Cross the bridge and you come to a Y section. The road to the right goes up the *Blue Hill*, through *Pailing Yards* and down *Red Hill* to the Turon. Left road crosses *Blackfellows Creek*, through an area known as *Chifleys*. Ben's grandfather owned land here. Old ruins on the left site of the first hotel, D.McKinnons. This road goes up the "*Sidelings*" along past the Wattle Flat Racecourse to Wattle Flat.

## POSITION, POSITION, SELLS.

Limekilns hotels (and sly grog shops) had an advantage with their position on the short cut from the main western road (Sydney-Kelso) to the goldfields of Sofala. A track left the main road at Green Swamp where there was an inn (area now know as Glanmire), went North across the Winburndale Rivulet, then across the Clear Creek, then skirted along the Western side of the mountains, past "Tabbertong" meeting the Kelso-Limekilns-Sofala road at the Rising Sun Hotel.

Duncan McKinnon saw this advantage and he placed an add in the Bathurst Free Press and Mining Journal on the 25-09-1852. "DUNCAN McKINNON begs to inform his friends and the public generally, that he has opened his house at the Limekilns, thirteen miles from Sofala, and sixteen miles from the Green Swamp, for the public accommodation, and which will in future be known by the name of the "LIMEKILN INN. " D. M'K. trusts by civility and attention to merit a share of public patronage, as his charges will be moderate".

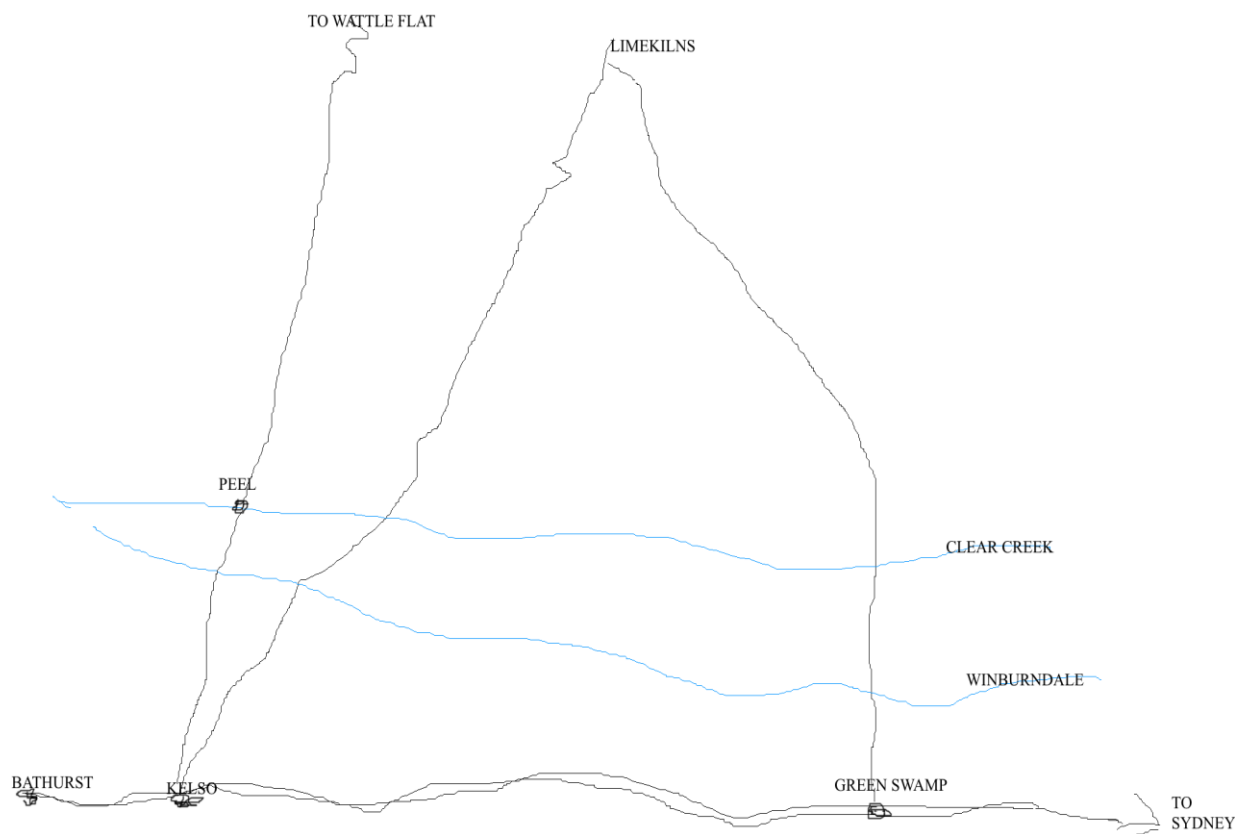
*Note the distances, the Inn was at almost the halfway point. It was on the road to Wattle Flat on the west side of the road about 300m from Blackfellows Creek crossing.CF*

Two years later John Tobin opened the Hargraves Inn that was later to become the Rising Sun. This Inn was fifteen miles from Sofala and fourteen miles from Green Swamp. *This was close to halfway.CF*  
There was also a Wine Salon run by Mr Kearney about 500m along the road to Kelso from “The Rising Sun”, it was licenced as “The Globe Tavern”, later to become “Kilgobbin Castle”

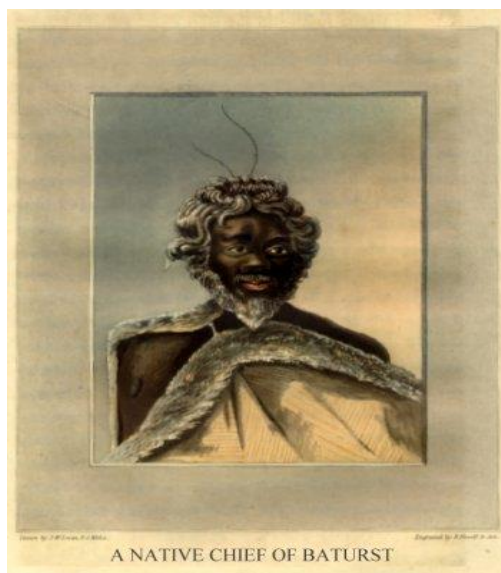
*I can not find how “Kilgobbin Castle” got its name. There is a “Kilgobbin Castle” in the south of Ireland. It long ago fell into ruins and maybe when Kearney went broke and left and died, it fell into disrepair and reminded someone of the old Castle in Ireland. I have heard 2 stories as to the name, One, there was a man who lived on that hill by the name of Corban Castle. One day a very distraught lad arrived at the pub shouting, “they have killedcorbancastle” and number two, a horse named Dobbin dropped dead on the hill from overwork.CF*

The traveller going from Sydney to Sofala gold fields found this track saved on distance and they did not have to negotiate the steep and winding Wyagdon Hill.

Depending on the mode of travel up to a days travel could be saved.



## LIMEKILNS 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.

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.

I know of only one site in this area that were used by the aboriginals. There must have been several but they have become dust in the march of time.

It is 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 II 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.

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."

This is from the Bathurst National Advocate of the 28-08-1901

John Pedley, who died in the hospital on the 26th inst., at the advanced age of 96, was formally in the service of the late General Wm. Stewart of 'The Mount,' and for many years past with his son, by whose family he was much regarded.

He came to the colony in 1822, and coming to Bathurst soon after was employed by Mr. Geo. Innis at Yarrows, on Winburndale Creek, during which time he joined in the crusade against the blacks, who had massacred several helpless women and children in the outlying parts of the district during the absence of the male members of the families. A party of settlers was formed who rushed the blacks' camp near the Limekilns, at dawn of day, and shot down a large number, which effectually put an end to their raiding. Their graves are often, visited to this day. *(Never heard of this or any talk of graves CF)*

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.

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 our 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".



LOCAL ABORIGINAL GRINDING STONE & MORTAR. Grahem Stark

*(I cannot find any record, nor have I heard of any mention of the aboriginals having used the Limekilns Caves. The caves would have made an excellent shelter, and the walls an ideal "canvass" for painting. I find it hard to believe there is no reported trace of usage. CF)*

## NOTES FROM EARLY RECORDS OF THE BATHURST AREA.

**These are taken from records of Journeys over the Blue Mountains, and to the north of Bathurst by various people from 1813 to 1830s.**

This may give an insight to the period when the Europeans and their culture was replacing the Aborigines. As this area is boarded on the north by Limekilns some similarity may be drawn. Limekilns does get a mention

### **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.

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

#### **Who Found Limekilns?. November 1821?**

James Blackman (Jnr) superintendent of convicts at Bathurst, had crossed the Turon during his explorative journey to the Cudgegong River in 1821.

Cunningham noted in 1822. "No persons have ventured to penetrate from the settlement of Bathurst in a due north direction until somewhat more than 12 months since, when Mr Blackman the late superintendent, made an effort at that point of bearing and discovered the valuable limestone 16 miles on his route."

#### **November 1821 William Lawsons "Journal of Expedition ".**

"Left Bathurst with Mr Scot, Mr. James Blackman, Ering the black native, three pack horses and some provisions. Proceeded over Bathurst Plains crossed Winburndale and Clear Creeks which form one running through a fine grazing country for some distance into the Macquarie, halted for a short time at the Lime Kiln. Proceeded on through a good grazing country and in a small stringy bark brush halted at 5 o'clock at a chain of ponds of good water running into the Turon River"

About three weeks later they returned to Bathurst via Limekilns. "Left Mr Terrys station and proceeded through a fine grazing country of gentle hills and valleys remarkable well watered. Came into the Lime Kilns road and arrived at Bathurst at 1 o'clock being absent twenty two days.

#### **On November 18, 1822, Cunningham left Bathurst for the Cudgegong River**

On November 18, 1822, Cunningham left Bathurst intending when he had reached the Cudgegong River to travel down its banks, and he thus describes his journey: "Having forded Winburndale Creek, at about 5 miles from the settlement the country, of easy acclivity to the first stage of about 16 miles at the Lime Kiln, is well watered, not only by Clear Creek [this he crossed] but also by other channels, some of which have rocky beds and form chains of pools in the droughts of summer. The grasses and herbage are luxuriant; the timber is stringy-bark and two other species of Eucalyptus of ordinary size [at this time Cunningham was following the blazed trees of Lawson] and the whole stage affords excellent cattle runs." Onward two miles of the second stage, upon passing beyond the limit of the limestone, the line of marked trees inclines, to westward and passes over barren shingly hills clothed with a brushwood in which small stringy barks are frequent. Beyond the country improves (until a fine grassy wooded vale with some deep ponds opens to the view) continuing exceedingly fertile to a spot abounding in Acacia and denominated by the stock-people Wattle Ground. During the succeeding five miles, the land on the rise from the Lime Kiln becomes exceedingly hilly rising rapidly to a somewhat difficult packhorse country and these hills being short, steep and irregular render greater the fatigue of travelling. The whole are well wooded and abound in grass excepting upon the brows of the more elevated hills which are covered with low brushes, not uninteresting to the botanist." After a long stage of twelve miles the line of trees descends to a river named by the aborigines Tu-ran a small stream or rivulet running over a pebbly bottom, which, although fordable at all parts of this season of the year is evidently both from the mountainous character of the country through which it passes and from the fact of stubble being lodged in the upper branches of the Casuarina, liable to be much swollen in the season of rains. Its width in the vicinity of the ford is about 30 feet, the depth 3 feet, the current running south-westerly, at which point it is said to discharge itself into the Macquarie 40 or 50 miles below the settlement of Bathurst. Some fine pasturage bordering upon the Turon, renders that stream a very desirable situation for stock. Rising from the Turon to the summit of a very lofty steep hill, and thence through elevated vales of good grassland about two miles, the beaten route intersects a narrow swamp-oak creek [Swamp Oak or Red Chasm Creek on the maps] which dips to the westward"

#### **Journey across the Blue Mountains 1824. by Rene Lesson. (Limekilns)**

In early Feb 1824 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.

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

*This relates to a problem still in the sheep industry to-day,*

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, (*fluke*) 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

**This comes from the book *Settlers and Convicts*.**

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

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 loses 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.





## BUSHRANGERS

A story my old people 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 would have happened here at Limekilns also. This appears to be a form of insurance, as they never seemed to have any bushranger problems, from the "big boys".

**There were several locals that did the wrong thing though. (details in time line section)**

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 £200. 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.

FRANK GARDINER. 26-03-1913 NA Fred Jennings HIS REMINISCENCES.

'At times,' Vane proceeded, 'the police got pretty close to Frank. The little mare began to tire. Frank raced over Clear Creek at the Peel crossing up over Hangman's Mount, towards Stringy Bark Hill, across the 'Limekilns road' towards that rocky hill, about three miles the other side of the Winburndale, from "Yarris" homestead. As he raced through the hills, he unbuckled his leather saddle bags, which contained valuables to the tune of £2000, in gold, sovereigns and spade guineas, according to those who have seen, Gardener's plan. Gardener sent this plan to an old hotel keeper in Kelso, a German named Scribber, to give to old Sam H—. Gardener was arrested just after that. And it was while he was waiting to be transported that he sent the plan out to old Sam. It seems that he had befriended Gardiner at some time, and was known as a 'bush telegraph'. Those who have seen the plan say that the bag was thrown into a large crack in a big rock. I have been over to have a look for it, but as there is so many rocks there alike you don't know where to start to look first. It may never be found in our time. I think the rock he threw it under has fallen and closed up. Someday it will be found, and they will little know it was Frank Gardiner, the King of the Roads, who threw it there.'

*This is a reprint of an article that appeared in the late 1880's. Jennings is relating a story he got from Johnnie Vane who at one time "rode with" Gardiner.*

*The story puts the site of where Gardiner "hid" the saddle bags as the hill on the Limekilns road where the new communions tower has been erected 2016. Please don't get excited and rush there with your metal detector and upset the owner of the land. If the saddle bags were there, how long do you think they laid there after the plan arrived at the Kelso pub. There is not a lot of rocks on that hill either.*

*If Gardiner did put the bags there it would have been in the very early 1860's. He came into central NSW after he got his ticket of leave in 1860, the Eugoara hold-up was June 1862 and by 1863 he was in Queensland with Kitty Brown. CF*

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 by W.C.K. Sinclair.

When "Jack" stole from a "camp" he did not take a few odds & ends, he took the lot.

The following is a list of goods found in 3 of his hideouts, presented to the Bathurst Court at his hearing 6-6-1896

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, ladies' companion, 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 black pipe and leather strap.

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This form to be carefully folded in six parts.

No. 1117 Name Juan Larosa or Juan Riquing  
Bathurst alias Fulgencio Quintana

Date when Portrait was taken \_\_\_\_\_

Native place Spain  
 Year of birth 1834  
 Arrived in Ship San Antonio  
 Colony Year 1894  
 Trade or occupation Chief Police man  
 previous to conviction \_\_\_\_\_  
 Religion R C  
 Education, degree of None Spanish  
 Height, without shoes, 5 feet 9 inches  
 Weight On committal 154  
In B. On discharge \_\_\_\_\_  
 Colour of hair Dark  
 Colour of eyes Black  
 Mark or special features \_\_\_\_\_  
Scars marks on left  
arm, left wrist, left  
chest, and right  
chest.  
Bull's head marks  
left leg.

(No. of previous Portrait \_\_\_\_\_)

CONVICTIONS.

Where and When.	Offence.	Sentence.
<u>Bathurst C.S. July 27 1894</u>	<u>Robbing and</u> <u>taking a dwelling</u> <u>house taking there</u>	<u>3 years 12</u>
<u>Bathurst C.S. Oct 7 1894</u>	<u>Mal wounding</u>	<u>1 year 12</u>
<u>La Geronde n. France Feb 26 1873</u>	<u>Uttering Counterfeits</u>	<u>Hard Labor for life</u>



FRANK GARDINER

## One of Limekilns most famous sons was.

**Ben Chifley     Prime Minister from 13 July 1945 to 19 December 1949**



When Prime Minister John Curtin died in 1945, Chifley was elected to take over, and kept his job as Treasurer.

After the war, Chifley introduced a number of social welfare reforms and laid a strong basis for post-war reconstruction, but eventually lost the support of the electorate because people disagreed with too much government regulation of the economy.

He was a humble man who never forgot the fact that he had been a train driver before he was a politician.

**Beginnings**     Joseph Benedict Chifley - always known as Ben - was born in Bathurst, NSW, on 22 September 1885. Chifley's parents were both of Irish descent. His father, Patrick Chifley, was a blacksmith. His mother was Mary Anne Corrigan.

He lived and worked on his grandfather's farm at Limekilns near Bathurst until he was 13, sometimes attending the local bush school. He then spent two years at the Patrician Brothers School, Bathurst, before starting full-time work as a cashier's assistant in a general store.

He joined the NSW Government Railways as a shop boy at 17, then worked as a cleaner and fireman before becoming a locomotive driver. At 24 he was the youngest first-class locomotive driver in the NSW railways. He was also an outstanding rugby union player.

At 27 he became an advocate for his union, the Locomotive Enginemen's Association. He was dismissed from the Railways because of his part in the union's national strike in 1917, but was reinstated as a cleaner on appeal.

After deciding to fight for unionists' rights by entering parliament, he prepared himself by learning economics and finance. He became a highly competent and successful private investor and financial manager. He endeavoured to gain Labor preselection for state seats in NSW in 1922 and 1924 without success.

In 1914 he married Elizabeth McKenzie, but they had no children.

*Ben carved his name into the wall of the school next to the fireplace, as it was high up the wall it is now above the ceiling that was added later CF.*

# WHO WERE THE FIRST LIME BURNERS AT LIMEKILNS?

## Free Convicts. Two men who had served their time.

*In 1830, the legal requirements for convict labour were as follows:*

*Settlers, to whom convicts are assigned, are bound to send for them within a certain period of time and to pay the sum of £1 a head for the clothing and bedding of each assigned convict. An assigned convict is entitled to a fixed amount of food and clothing, consisting in New South Wales, of 12.lb. of wheat, or an equivalent in flour and maize meal, 7lb. of mutton or beef, or 4 1/2lb. of salt pork, 2oz. of salt, and 2oz. of soap weekly; two frocks or jackets, three shirts, two pairs of trousers, three pairs of shoes, and a hat or cap annually. Each man is likewise supplied with one good blanket, and a palliasse or wool mattress, which are considered the property of the master. Any articles, which the master may supply beyond these, are voluntary indulgences.*

Now if we go to Cork City Ireland. On August 1812 one Maurice Walsh was sentenced to 7 years in N S W. He was 22 years of age, 'five feet three and a half inches tall' and had a fair complexion with hazel eyes and sandy hair. Walsh arrived in Sydney on the "Three Bees" 6th May 1814. He was sent to Windsor to serve his 7 years and when they expired he went to the Appin area.

We now move to the year 1825 and Maurice Walsh was given permission from Governor Brisbane "to occupy a piece of land and Burn lime for the accommodation of the town of Bathurst". This area now known as Limekilns had not long been discovered by the Europeans in 1821 by James Blackman the superintendent of convicts at Bathurst.

Within the next seven years Walsh had made several improvements at Limekilns, some of these he listed in his petition to Governor Bourke. *'that your Petitioner having expended a good deal of money & has had a deal of expense building a house and Kilns & making Bridges and Roads to bring Stone to the Kilns, hopes and trusts Your Excellency will be pleased to take his case into your human consideration'* Walsh 1832.

In 1833 Walsh obtained Governor Bourke's permission to continue living on the land at Limekilns on a permanent basis.

Now if we go to Cork City Ireland again. James Tobin married Margaret McGrath, Sat 2-12-1826, SS Marys and Anns Cathedral Cork City Ireland, and their 1st child John was born 27-11-1827.

James was a worker in the top end of the hide industry, "a leather dresser and glover". Feelings were running high in the local hide trade between management and workers. James and 16 co-workers confronted another worker Thomas Ryan and the 'shove and push' resulted in James being charged with "cutting and maiming one Thomas Ryan". After a long one sided trial James and 3 others were sentenced to life, thence N S W.

James Tobin arrived Sydney 22-12-1829 per the "Larkins" and was assigned to Thomas Hawkins "Blackdown" Kelso. It is almost certain he was employed in the tannery as his records listed him as "Leather Dresser"

There is no record of what he did but on the 4-7-1834 he was charged with "riotous behaviour" and received 50 lashes.

In October 1837 James received his Ticket of Leave, and on the 7-1-1839 his wife Margaret, son John and daughter Mary joined him.

Now we bring back Maurice Walsh onto the scene as the lads from Cork City got together at Limekilns and Tobin and Walsh worked in partnership.

James and Margaret's son Thomas James Tobias Tobin was born 15-10-1841 at Limekilns.

From the time Tobin received his Ticket of Leave 1837 through to the mid 1840's there was one hell of a drought and the markets had crashed, so times for the Lads from Cork City was not easy and to top it off, 1840 Walsh became incapacitated and James and Margaret took care of him. James was running the Kilns and trying to get something to grow for the family, and one hot day in 1843 James dived into Cheshire Creek to cool off, and for whatever reason, died, aged 38 years. There is no record of his burial. *(During my research into Limekilns I was shown the remains of an old hut 50m east of the old pub, claiming the hut was the home of James. Another 50m east are the Taylor graves. I suggest that James was buried in that area and when the Taylors were buried they were buried next to James as there was already graves there. Old hands talked of more than just the Taylors with headstone.CF)* This left Margaret in a mess, with her 16 year old son she had to burn the lime and deliver it, look after the other children, and care for Maurice Walsh.

The black cloud of death passed over Margaret again two years later when Maurice Walsh died aged 55 on the 13th October 1845.

Now she had no legal title to the land, Margaret petitioned Governor Gipps with the support of 18 prominent Bathurst district people including 5 J.Ps. and the Magistrate. Gipps was reluctant but later said *"as long as she conducted herself well and did not waste the land he would not order to have her disturbed"*

Margaret and family persisted and persisted, and to-day there are hundreds of people who can trace back to the First Tobins, Lime Burners of Limekilns.

The black cloud of death passed over Margaret again 16<sup>th</sup> Feb 1876 when in a house fire in Bathurst she lost her daughter, granddaughter, and great grandson.

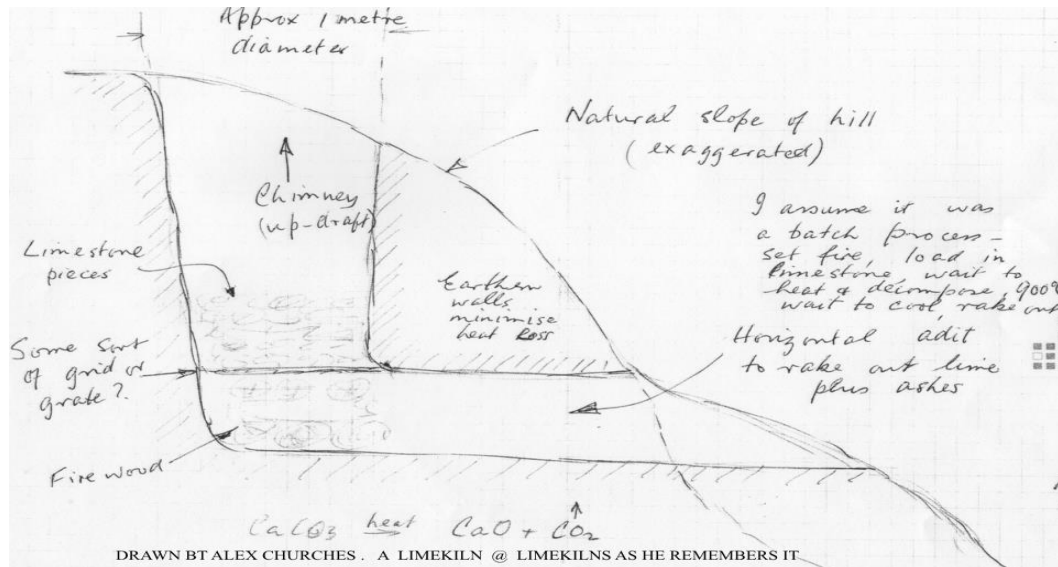
## THE HOW OF LIME MAKING.

The common feature of early kilns was an egg-cup shaped burning chamber, with an air inlet at the base (the "eye"), constructed of brick. Limestone was crushed (often by hand) to fairly uniform 20–60 mm (1 to 2.5 inch) lumps – fine stone was rejected. Successive dome-shaped layers of limestone and wood were built up in the kiln on grate bars across the eye. When loading was complete, the kiln was kindled at the bottom, and the fire gradually spread upwards through the charge. When burnt through, the lime was cooled and raked out through the base. Fine ash dropped out and was rejected with the "riddlings". Only lump stone could be used, because the charge needed to "breathe" during firing. This also limited the size of kilns and explains why kilns were all much the same size. Above a certain diameter, the half-burned charge would be likely to collapse under its own weight, extinguishing the fire. Typically the kiln took a day to load, three days to fire, two days to cool and a day to unload, so a

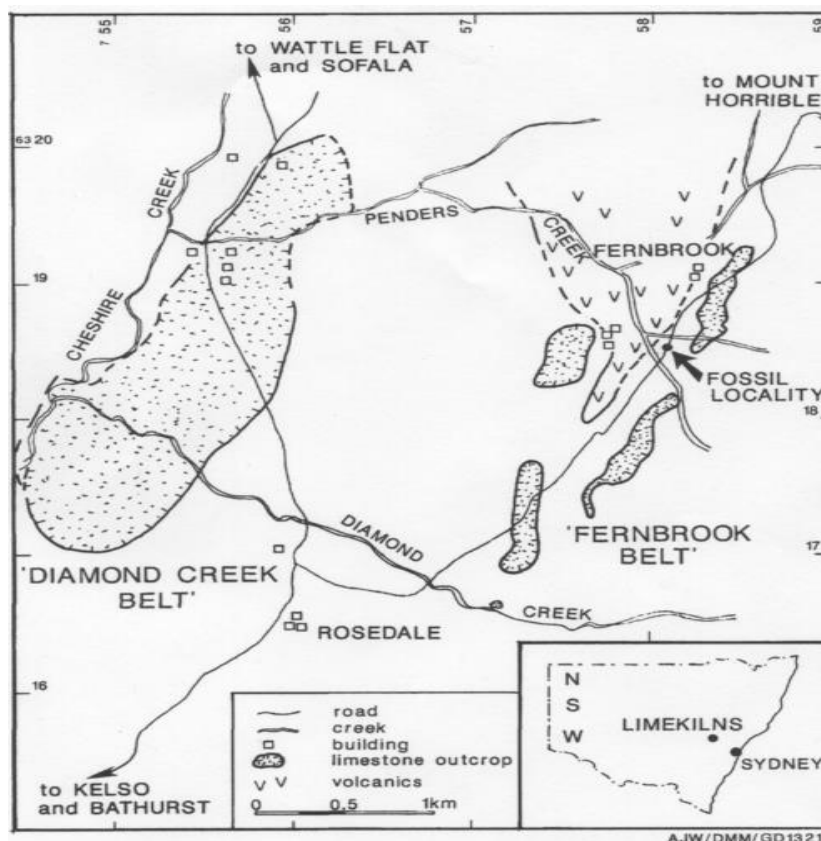
one-week turnaround was normal. The degree of burning was controlled by trial and error from batch to batch by varying the amount of fuel used. Because there were large temperature differences between the centre of the charge and the material close to the wall, a mixture of underburned (i.e. high loss on ignition), well-burned and dead-burned lime was normally produced. Typical fuel efficiency was low, with 0.5 tonnes or more of fuel being used per tonne of finished lime.

At Limekilns the chamber was dug deep enough to hold sufficient load, with a drain to allow water to escape in the event of rain. Today they are hard to see as erosion has filled them in some and timber scrub etc. have grown in them.

On behalf of Limekilns N S W, I lay claim to it being the first commercial lime producer west of the Blue Mountains. CF Quarries to the South came on stream later on and being closer to Bathurst, Limekilns was unable to compete. Limekilns may not have grown to have machinery and a crushing plant, but it did produce the lime that held the early houses in Bathurst together.



The small kilns at Limekilns found it harder and harder to compete as the large mechanised lime producers with access to transport came on line. One example was in 1886 when Messrs T. Larkin, J. Buchanan and T. Betteson, formed the 'New South Wales Lime Coy' in the Portland area. To transport the lime to Ben Bullen station a tramway was constructed.





## THE LIMEKILNS MARBLE.



THANKS TO GRAHEM STARK FOR THESE SAMPLES.



Limekilns Marble was found mainly at Fernbrook (200m to the East of Starks house on the Mt Horrible road).

Marble from Fernbrook was rough cut into blocks and transported to the cutting plant at Alice Dale on Cheshire Creek.





REMAINS OF THE WINCH USED TO LOAD BLOCKS AT FERNBROOK.

As to the marble at Fernbrook, it comprises five or six different classes. There is the Royal Rouge, a red marble with golden streaks running through it, (bacon) and the St. Ann, a black marble, streaked with white. Amongst the other classes are blocks of pure black marble, and some specimens with a dark blue tint, interlined with crimson streaks.

01-05-1906      National Advocate Bathurst      Rosedale Marble. ( *Tobins business name* )

We have been requested to contradict a statement appearing in the 'Sydney Morning Herald' on Friday week last that it was with Caloola marble that the beautiful colored staircase in the National Art Gallery was made. The 'Herald' said that the statement was based on information given to its special reporter by an officer at the Bathurst Gaol. As a matter of fact, however, the marble for this work was obtained from the Rosedale Marble Quarry, Limekilns, about 1000 feet in slabs being supplied.

### N.S.W. ART GALLERY SYDNEY





**St JAMES CHURCH SYDNEY** (*note the bacon in the triangles*)



**IN ART GALLERY SHOWING FOSSILS.**







**TOBINS "ROSDALE" MARBLE PLANT ON CHESHIRE CREEK @ ALICE DALE.**



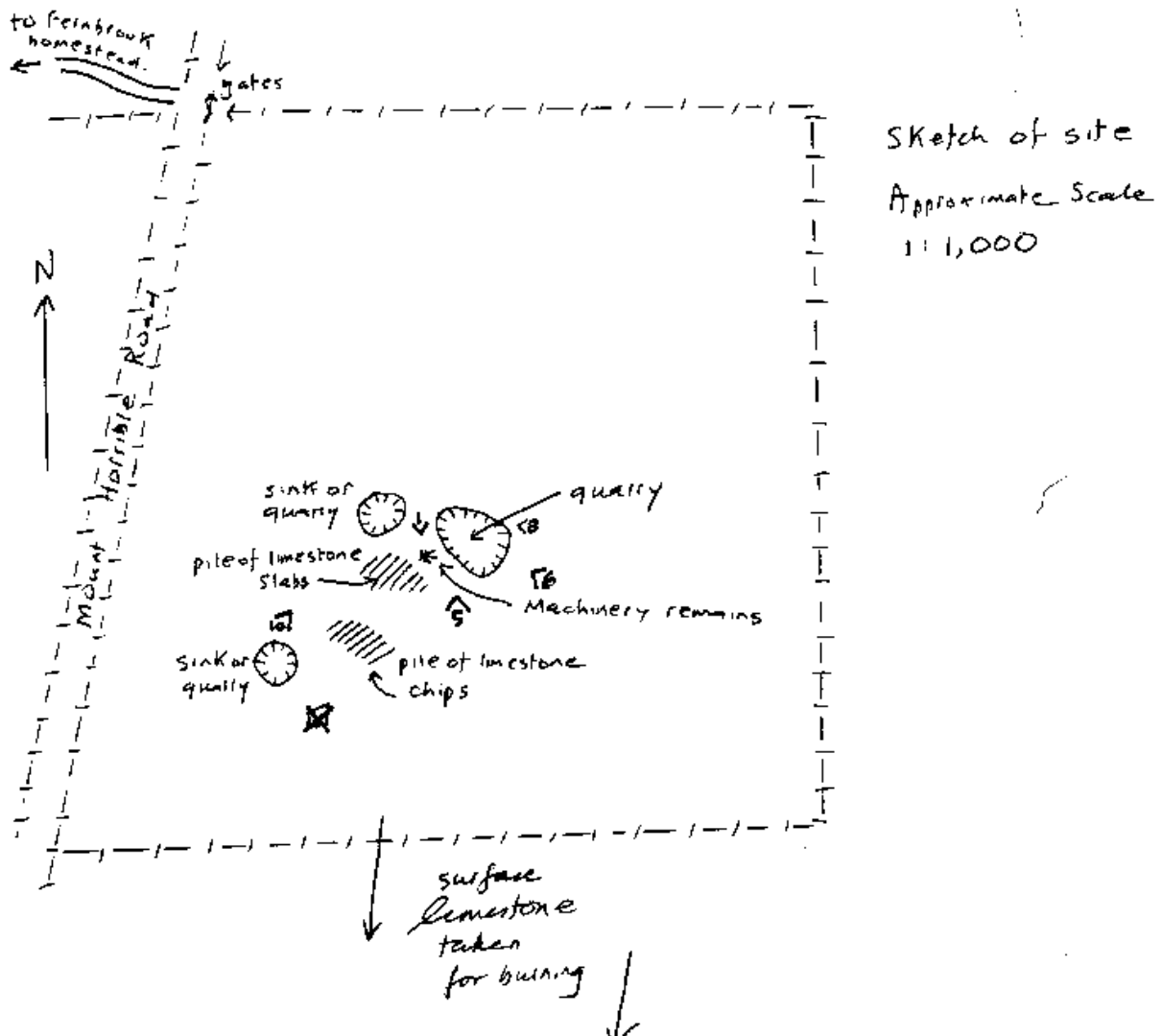
**BOILER FROM MARBLE PLANT. (Now on side of road near pub)**

The Fernbrook Quarry operated for only a few years in the early part of the century. It was one of a large number of economically unsuccessful quarries which attempted to produce high quality ornamental stone during the late nineteenth and early twentieth century. Samples of the marble were used in the steps of the NSW Art Gallery, Her Majesty's Theatre (*demolished*) and St James Church, Sydney. The quarry was opened by the Tobin family in 1894. It was reported to produce beautifully coloured and figured marbles; "the finest in the State". The mine failed as a commercial operation because of high transportation costs. The Tobin family is reported to have assigned £60 worth of marble to Melbourne but were never paid, due to late delivery, (*bullock team got bogged on Rotten Hill*) thereafter giving up any attempt to operate the quarry. The marble that was quarried was taken by bullock drag down to Cheshire Creek where a boiler operated a wire rope cutting machine.

There were several other small quarries in the area but their use was restricted to supplying limestone for burning on site or nearby up to the turn of the century. The limestone deposits of the Limekilns area are fossil rich and are subject to frequent visits by group of geological students and lapidaries. The only machinery on site is an old Munro winch. Other remains include three quarry sites and two piles of limestone debitage.

The Fernbrook marble quarry was recognised early this century as the producer of the finest marble in New South Wales. At the time it provided stone for a number of significant Sydney and local buildings. The remaining features of the site provide evidence of an industry which was formerly widespread throughout the Central Western Region. The name of the area is testimony to another, formerly wide spreading activity, lime burning, which was also directly associated with the substantial limestone deposits in the area.

The Fernbrook marble occurs as lenticular-shaped beds within an extensive grey limestone belt. Numerous colour plates, showing wonderful variation in colour and markings in Fernbrook marbles are features in R. T. Baker's report on "Ornamental Building Stones of Australia" (refer Carne and Jones, 1919).



*Limekilns was never a village as such, no streets, no noise making smoke belching industry.*

*Just 2 or 3 hotels, an odd shop, a few limekilns, 3 or 4 large holdings, and lots of small blocks, most with dwellings. Later the marble works started.*

*Lime and marble was not the main industries, Limekilns was a mixture.*

*It was people, it was stock, from sheep, to beef cattle, to dairy cows, to horses, to pigs, to chooks.*

*It was crops and vegetables and orchards and honey and cheese and timber, and rabbits .*

*It was hotels and caves and roo & fox drives, and dances, and tennis, and cricket, and floods, and fires, and schools, and weddings, and death.*

*It was a social melting pot in the early days of Australia's development. It was settled with people from all over, free settlers, convicts, and people from all positions on the social scale that was evident in the early colony. But they lived together, had healthy arguments over religion re schooling, pulled together in bad times, worked together, married, played, and at no time in my research did I find any sign of hate, violence, or bad deeds.CF*

## TIME LINE

### We now go on a day by day journey through the “events” at Limekilns.

1821 James Blackman (Jnr) superintendent of convicts at Bathurst discovered Limekilns.

1825 (From an old unknown paper) Another free man, named John Johns, overseer on Mr. W. Lee's station on the Turon River, was also, about a fortnight after Barker's conviction, fined in a similar amount under the same Order, for harbouring a convict bushranger named Spencer. Sergeant Wilcox in this case also was the prosecutor. He had been to Capertee, and on his return journey to Bathurst had called at the station, where he saw Spencer and other men in the hut with Johns. The latter had told him that Spencer was Mr. Terry's overseer, and no suspicion was aroused until next day when the sergeant called at Mr. Terry's station at the Limekilns, and found the overseer and stockmen all at home, and he knew then that Spencer was a convict illegally at large. In his defence Johns informed the Bench (Messrs. Fennell and Evernden) that Spencer had come there and given him information concerning some cattle that had been lost in the bush and as he had promised to lead him to them he had misled the soldiers concerning him. He thought the fine of fifty Spanish dollars (*which formed at that time the currency of the colony*) more severe than his offence merited, but he had to pay it all the same.

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26-09-1835 Sydney Monitor

LIST of Leases of Crown Lands, which will be sold on Wednesday, November 11th. 1835

Place,	No. of Acres.	Applicant.
The LimeKiln (Roxburgh)	640	Samuel Terry
Ditto	640,	
Ditto	640,	
Ditto	800,	
Ditto	1100	

00-00-1837 James Tobin received his Ticket of Leave

07-01-1839 James Tobin’s wife Margaret, son John and daughter Mary joined him.

15-10-1841 James and Margaret’s son Thomas James Tobias Tobin was born at Limekilns.

16-06-1842 Australasian Chronicle

Seven hundred acres, parish unnamed, at the Limekilns, Diamond Creek.

Six hundred and forty acres, parish unnamed, at the Limekilns, Diamond Creek.

Upset price £5 per section.

00-00-1843 James Tobin died. Went swimming in Cheshire Creek and apparently died from shock.

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 Peter’s profession as Overseer of Bathurst. Peter and his family came to Aust on the "Boyne" with the Rev Colin Stewart in 1839.

25-04-1844 SMH 897 Sheep at "PALING YARDS," fifteen miles north-east from Bathurst, consisting of 657 ewes, 2 ½ years old, lately lambed, and 240 rams

Old Ewes, about 2 ½ years, old, lately lambed, on Government land, called " Middle Wattle Flat," near Limekilns, about 20 miles north-east from Bathurst ;TOGETHER WITH ALL INTEREST WHICH SELLERS HAVE IN THE STATION WITH HUT, PALING YARDS &C.

4817 Head, more or less. The Sheep for the most part are strong and thriving, with a strong staple of wool fit for combing. The flock at " Paling Yard " are fine-wooled Sheep of the TERRY BREED, and the Rams, some of which are imported, are of the MERINO and SAXON BREED, and very superior. (*was this Dulcis Vale?*)

00-00-1845 Rev. Colin Stewart purchased “Dulcis Vale” of 1000 acres from Mr John Stirling of Sydney. “Dulcis Vale” was a grant by purchase to John Terry Hughes

13-10-1845 Maurice Walsh died.

22-10-1845 SMH CORONER'S INQUEST.-

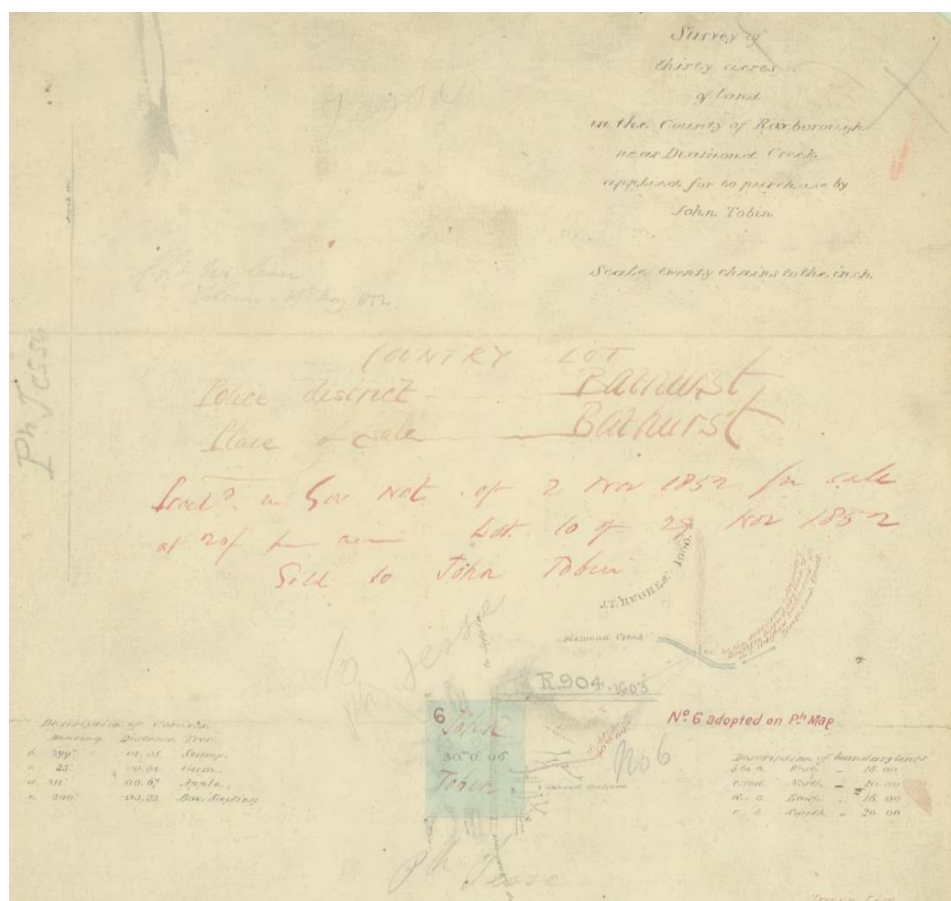
On Tuesday, 14th, J. Sutherland, Esq., Coroner, held an inquest at the Limekilns, about seventeen miles from Bathurst, on the body of a man named Maurice Welsh, a lime-burner, who had died suddenly the previous day it appeared that on Sunday evening deceased had been seized with a violent fit of coughing, and was found dead the following morning about four o'clock. Dr Busby attended the inquest, and on a post mortem examination, ascertained that death had ensued from the bursting of a large blood-vessel in the left lung, a considerable quantity of blood being discovered on the left side of the chest.

Verdict - Died by the visitation of God.

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 Peter’s profession as Shepherd and his family came to Aust on the "Boyne" with the Rev Stewart in 1839.



- 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.
- 22-5-1847 Gov Gaz Thomas Kite; Roxburgh, Limekilns, 700 acres,
- 29-03-1850 SMH Six hundred and forty acres each, county of Roxburgh, near the Limekilns on Diamond Creek. 101-104. Six Hundred and forty acres each, county of Roxburgh, about midway between the Limekilns on Diamond Creek and the Turon River.
- 23-01-1851 Hugh McKay and Janet McKinnon had a daughter Isabella at Limekilns
- 17-05-1851 BFP Stolen or Strayed, FROM the Limekilns, near Bathurst, one brown HORSE, 15 hands high, white stroke down, the face, two hind feet white, branded W off shoulder, C(inverted)R near shoulder, K(inverted)D conjoined on the neck one pound reward will be given to any person who will give such information as will lead to the recovery of the same to the undersigned. DUNCAN McKINNON. 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. To get todays price multiply oz by \$1700.
- 14-08-1851 BPM Five Pounds Reward.  
WHEREAS JAMES DUNCAN, my hired servant, having absconded from my service, and left the flock of sheep that he had in charge in the bush, I hereby offer a reward of Five Pounds to any person who will apprehend and lodge the said Thomas Duncan in safe custody. A warrant has been issued for his arrest by the Bathurst Bench. Description Native place, Aberdeen, Scotland, age, 20 or 21, height, 5 feet or 5 feet 6 inches, complexion reddish, hair brown, eyes hazel, nose cocked.  
Signed 'DUNCAN McKINNON'. Limekilns, August 4th, 1851.
- 00-12-1851 Gold production Aug/Dec for the Sofala area approx 150,000 oz.
- 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.
- 25-09-1852 BFPMJ NOTICE. HOTEL  
DUNCAN McKINNON begs to inform his friends and the public generally, that he has opened his house at the Limekilns, thirteen miles from Sofala, and sixteen miles from the Green Swamp, for the public accommodation, and which will in future be known by the name of the "LIMEKILN INN."
- D. M'K. trusts by civility and attention to merit a share of public patronage, as his charges will be moderate.
- 00-00-1852 W A. James Fines of Limekilns was convicted of selling sly grog to the miners on their way to the Turon.
- 29-11-1852 John Tobin paid 53 shillings per acre for land at Limekilns when the going price was 20 shillings. The next highest price at the time was for a 30 acre block was 30 pounds.
- 19-04-1853 John Tobin granted licence for the "Hargraves Inn" at Limekilns. This was the middle part of the present hotel. He held this licence till 1858



# NEW SOUTH WALES.

## LAND PURCHASE.

GRANTER, *John Tobin*  
DATE, *20th March 1853*  
COUNTY, *Rockburgh*  
ACRES, *30*

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, and so forth:

TO ALL to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:—

WHEREAS in conformity with the Laws now in force for the Sale of Crown Lands in Our Territory of New South Wales, and Our Royal Instructions under Our Signet and Sign Manual, issued in pursuance thereof;

has become the Purchaser of the Land hereinafter described, for the Sum of *Seventy nine Pounds*

and *two shillings* Sterling; *John Tobin* That for and in consideration of the said Sum for and on Our behalf, well and truly paid into the Colonial Treasury of Our said Territory, before these Presents are issued, And in further consideration of the Quit-Rent hereinafter Reserved, We HAVE GRANTED, and for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, DO HEREBY GRANT unto the said *John Tobin*

his Heirs and Assigns, Subject to the several and respective Reservations hereinafter mentioned, ALL THAT Piece or Parcel of Land in Our said Territory, containing by Admeasurement *Thirty*

*Rockburgh* Acres, be the same more or less, situated in the County of *Rockburgh* and Parish of *Rockburgh*

*near Diamond Creek. Commencing at a point bearing South forty five degrees thirty minutes West and distant forty chains from the South extremity of the East boundary line of the Township of Rockburgh. One thousand five hundred and one chains on the South by a line bearing West and bounded on the South by a line bearing West sixteen chains on the West by a line bearing West sixteen chains on the North by a line bearing East sixteen chains and on the East by a line bearing South forty five degrees thirty minutes West to the point of commencement. Reserving for all Public Works a Road one chain wide from the point of commencement to the point of commencement, through this Road from a point five chains West from the South East corner thereof the area of which is allowed for in the total area of said land. Being the land sold to *John Tobin* in pursuance of the Proclamation of the 19th October 1852*

with all the Rights and Appertinences whatsoever thereto belonging: To *John Tobin* unto the said *John Tobin*

his Heirs and Assigns for ever, YIELDING and Paying therefore Yearly unto Us, Our Heirs and Successors, the Quit-Rent of One Penny per acre for ever, if demanded; PROVIDED Nevertheless, AND We DO HEREBY RESERVE unto Us, Our Heirs and Successors, all such parts and so much of the said Land as may hereafter be required for making Public Ways, Canals, or Railroads, in, over, and through the same, to be set out by Our Governor for the time-being of Our said Territory, or some Person by him authorized in that respect; AND ALSO, all Sand, Clay, Stone, Gravel, and Indigenous Timber, and all other Materials, the natural produce of the said Land, which may be required at any time or times hereafter, for the construction and repair of any Public Ways, Bridges, Canals, and Railroads, or any Fences, Embankments, Dams, Sewers, or Drains, necessary for the same, together with the right of taking and removing all such Materials; AND We DO HEREBY FURTHER RESERVE unto Us, Our Heirs and Successors, the right of full and free ingress, egress, and regress, into, out of, and upon the said Land, for the several purposes aforesaid; In Testimony Whereof, We have caused this Our Grant to be Sealed with the Seal of Our said Territory.

WITNESS Our Trusty and Well-beloved Sir CHARLES AUGUSTUS FITZ ROY, Knight Companion of the Royal Hanoverian Guelphic Order, Governor-General of all Our Australian Possessions and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief of Our Territory of New South Wales and its Dependencies, at Government House, Sydney, in New South Wales aforesaid, this *fourteenth* day of *March* in the *thirtieth* Year of Our Reign; And in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand eight hundred and fifty *three*

L.S. (Signed) *Chas. A. Fitz Roy*

in the Register of Land Purchases *14th day 1853*  
ENTERED on Record by me, this *fourteenth* day of *April*  
One Thousand eight hundred and fifty *three*

*John Tobin*







Letter from her brother in Scotland 1853. Two pages of writing then folded.

28-07-1854 SMH Wedding.

On the 27th instant, at the Free Church, Pitt-street, by the Rev. Alexander Salmon, Mr. Duncan McKinnon, of Limekilns, near Bathurst, to Catherine, eighth daughter of Mr. Allan McMaster, Corribeg, Brisbane Water.

13-07-1855 BFPMJ LOCAL INTELLIGENCE. BATHURST QUARTER SESSIONS.

CATTLE STEALING. Jeremiah McEvoy, on bail, was indicted for stealing, at the Limekilns, on the 20th April 1855, one cow, the property of Margaret Tobin. Plea— not guilty. The prisoner was defended by Mr. Sergeant. From the evidence it appeared that a person named John Allen had charge of a number of cattle belonging to Mrs. Tobin, and there was running with them a sheeted heifer unbranded, there was also running at the same place numbers of cattle belonging to other persons, there was also a sheeted bull in the same neighbourhood which ran indiscriminately with the different herds. The sheeted heifer in question was branded by the prisoner, and when spoken to about it he admitted that he had done so under the impression that the beast was his, but if it was Mrs. Tobin's, she had better brand it over again. The Court was of opinion that the ownership of the beast was not established, and the jury acquitted the prisoner.

11-09-1855 SMH McKINNON. V. WRITE.

This was an action to recover the expenses of curing the plaintiff's sheep of the scab, with which they had become infected in consequence of the defends sheep trespassing on the plaintiff's run.

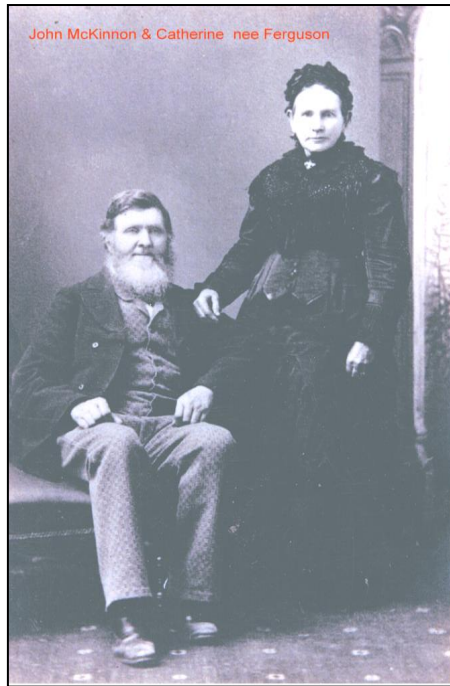
Counsel for the plaintiff, Mr. Wise attorney, Mr. Home. Counsel for the defendant, the Solicitor General and Mr. Stephen attorney, Mr Sergeant.

It appeared from the evidence of the plaintiff that in May, 1855, the plaintiff had a flock of sheep running at the Limekilns, and the defendant had a flock on an adjoining run. That on one occasion, when the plaintiffs shepherd brought his flock home to the yard, about a mile off, several of the defendant's sheep, infected with the scab, were found amongst the plaintiff's flock. The plaintiff's shepherd was dead, and there was no distinct evidence where the defendant's sheep had become mixed with those of the plaintiff, but it was shown that the defendant's shepherd had taken them away the following day, and they were afterwards examined in the defendant's yard, and some of them were killed by his orders because they were infected. The plaintiff filed an injunction, under the Scab Act, and on the day of the hearing it was compromised, the defendant executing an agreement, in which the information was recited, and the defendant agreed to indemnify the plaintiff against the expenses he might incur in curing his sheep if the scab should break out within six months. It further appeared that after this agreement the defendant sold his scabbed sheep at about 3d. per head. A few weeks afterwards the scab broke out, and they were dressed in the usual way. This diseased flock was subsequently put with those that the plaintiff had bought off the defendant.

The SOLICITOR-GENERAL addressed the jury, conceding that there was not sufficient evidence to show that the defendant's sheep had scabbed those of the plaintiff by trespassing on his land.

Verdict for the defendant.





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.

16-02-1857. BFPMJ £2 REWARD. STOLEN or strayed, a dark brown mare, 8 year old, branded A on near shoulder and 2 on W off side neck, star on forehead, one white spot in the side of the near foot below the fetlock. The reward will be paid on conviction of the thief if stolen, or £1 if strayed, further information as will lend to his recovery on application to Mr. Duncan McKinnon, Limekilns.

22-04-1857 BFPMJ ANNUAL LICENSING DAY.

The Annual meeting of the Bench of Magistrates for the consideration of applications for the renewal, transfer, and new licences, took place at the Court House yesterday. Duncan McKinnon, "Limekilns Inn", Limekilns.

08-07-1857 BFPMJ HANNAN v. TOBIN.

In this case the defendant appeared in answer to a summons, charged with breaking a quantity of fencing belonging to the plaintiff's paddock,

John Hannan sworn. I am in the occupation of some land at the Limekilns, near to the residence of the defendant, on the 28th of last month on examining the fence I found two panels pulled out of the ground. I after wards saw a man named Smith, who is in my employ, put them up again, in consequence of some-thing I was told, I went the following morning to the same place, and there saw the defendant, he had a chain around eight panels, fastened a team of six bullocks, by means of which he pulled the whole of them down. This was a post and rail fence. He then went to another part of the fence and was joined by Murray. Tobin fastened the chain round the fence at that place, which was a bush one, and Murray drove the bullocks. By this means they dragged away three or four rods of it. They then went to another side of the fence and by the same means removed another portion, and finished by going up to the house and re-moving some portion of the fencing near it. I have known the paddock a number of years. I think about 19 years since. It has since been in the occupation of defendant's mother until recently, when it has been in my occupation by her permission. I estimate the damage done at from £4 to £5. It would cost that to put the fence in as good repair as it was before the defendant pulled it down. I produce two letters which are Mrs. Tobin's authority for holding the land.

By Mr. Home. I know that Mrs. Tobin was allowed to occupy the land for the purpose of burning lime, the land enclosed is the same it contains about 16 acres. This evidence was confirmed by Thomas Tobin.

Thomas Smith, on being called for the defence, deposed as follows. I live at Brucedale, I formerly resided at the Limekilns. I know the land described in the place now shewn, it contains, including the cultivation and other land, about 40 acres. I do not know where the fence is broken down.

The defendant was found guilty, and was sentenced to pay a fine of £5 over and above the damage done, which was assessed at £1 12s, 6d., to go with the complainants costs assessed at 5s.6d crown costs and £2 12s. 6d. professional the same to be levied upon his goods and chattels if not paid forthwith, or in default of payment to receive 14 days imprisonment

01-12-1857 BFP DEATH He leaves a wife and several children to deplore his loss. Mr. Falvey was a man of strongly, marked character and in his younger days was noted in this district for determined courage. One instance of this was manifested in an encounter with a notorious bushranger on the Lime Kilns road, who presented a gun at him, and threatened to shoot him on the spot unless he surrendered what money and property he had upon his person. Nothing daunted, Mr. Falvey rushed forward and seizing the gun, attempted to wrestle it from him. Both being powerful and resolute men the death struggle was long and for a time doubtfully waged, but terminated in the bushranger being disarmed and marched into Bathurst, where he was given into custody of the authorities, Afterwards he was tried for murder, and executed. The violence of the contest may be inferred from the fact that the barrel of the gun was twisted into a perfect bow.

09-01-1858 BFPMJ Stealing Money. Samuel McGuinness charged with stealing, at Bowenfells, on the 28th of March last, the sum of £15, one purse, one portmonnaie, and one watch key, the property of John Rabbetts. The prisoner pleaded not guilty. Thomas Finnerty, late constable in the Bathurst Police, and now Chief Constable of Orange, having been sworn, said, I

know the prisoner, and apprehended him at 5 o'clock a.m., on the 29th March, at the Three Creeks, on the Limekiln Road. I first saw the prisoner on the previous evening in a shed at the Three Creeks, when he said that he had been at Wagga Wagga, and I did not apprehend him then, not being satisfied of his identity. but saw him at Tobin's public house at the Limekilns. I sent a trooper on, and we saw the prisoner escape from the back of the hut. We then overtook him, and I apprehended him. In his pocket were found a portmonnaie, a purse, a watch key, and £3 6s. in silver in the portmonnaie. I then told him the charge against him, and he said, "Well, if I did do it, I must stand by it." I then brought him into Bathurst to the lock-up. James Maddams, being sworn, said, I am now a storekeeper at the Green Swamp, but at the time of the robbery was at Roberts Hotel. I saw the prisoner there on the 28<sup>th</sup> March, and I was behind the bar. The prisoner came from the Sydney road, and had a glass of sherry, for which he paid with a banknote, which he took from a portmonnaie. I took the note in to Mr. Roberts, and asked him for change, thinking it was a £1 note; on opening it, however, I found it was a £5 note, and I gave him the full change. He had luncheon, and said he was going to the Turon to speculate there with about £10. Thomas Rabbetts being sworn, said, I am a labourer now employed at Mudgee. I overtook the prisoner on the road from Richmond, at Currajong, on the 25th March. I walked two days with him on the road. He paid for what we had at the first place after I met him. At the second place he said he could not get a cheque for £30 cashed, he did not show me the cheque. I paid for this score, and to do so, took money out of the purse in my trousers pocket. We stopped at Lee's public house at Bowenfells on the 27th March, and we went to bed in the same room about 10 o'clock, and placed the money in my trousers' pocket under my pillow, I woke about five the next morning and found that the prisoner had left the room. I then got up and dressed myself, and then missed my purse. I immediately complained to the landlord. On the following Thursday I saw the prisoner in Bathurst. I identify the portmonnaie, purse and watch-key, but cannot swear to the notes. This witness underwent a severe cross-examination at the hands of the prisoner, with the view of throwing suspicion on his ability to identify the property. The Chairman recapitulated the evidence produced against the prisoner, commenting upon the expressions of which he made use to the constable on his apprehension, and reminding the jury that, if they believed that any single article found upon the prisoner was the property of the prosecutor, they must find him guilty. The jury immediately found the prisoner guilty, and he was sentenced to imprisonment with hard labour in Parramatta gaol for 12 months.

03-07-1858      BFPMJ      In one of the back tributaries from the Limekilns, several parties have started working, and you may soon expect to hear of favourable progress having been made. At present the place is kept a secret, but rumour says that the parties working there are well known and are doing well.

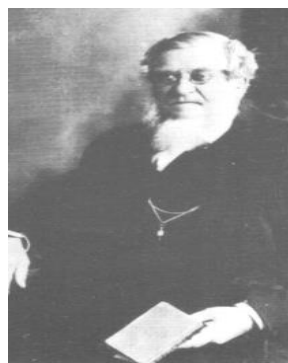
13-11-1858      BFPMJ      HAIL-STORM. — On the afternoon of Sunday last, Peel Town and its immediate neighbourhood were visited by a fall of hail, some of the stones measuring from two to four inches diameter. Before the storm burst, dense masses of black clouds came up from the westward, and passed over in the direction of the Turon, accompanied by a heavy gale of wind. At about 2 o'clock; the wind shifted nearly north and south, and, after the lapse of a few minutes, a shower of hail, the equal of which we have never seen before in the colony, fell, and covered the earth in some places to the depth of six inches, and, from the extraordinary size of many of them, we may be very thankful that we have not to record any deaths from its effects. In many places, the early-sown potatoes and corn have been completely cut off, and I have been told that some of our wheat paddocks have suffered. At Wellington, a small settler named Boyce had nearly two acres of wheat destroyed, besides all his pumpkins and melons, and I have heard that a Mr. Condon, a tenant upon the Saltram Estate, had a two year-old colt killed, and some of his crops more or less injured. The feathered tribe has also suffered most severely, many meeting their death from the falling hailstones. Our orchards and vineyards, which gave signs all along of a large yield of fruit were slightly damaged, and the hay crop in several places has been laid, but not, I am happy to say, to any serious extent. At the Paling Yards and near the head of Clear Creek towards the Limekilns the storm fell heavily, and some of the stones picked up measured, I am told, about four inches in diameter. I wonder has the Comet anything to do with this strange phenomenon, It is hoped our colonial astronomers will unravel the mystery.

11-12-1858      BFPMJ      FROST. We have received information that a very severe frost was experienced at the Lime-kilns yesterday morning, which did very considerable damage to the crops, destroying the potatoes, pumpkins and melons almost entirely. We have not been able to learn whether the wheat has also suffered by this unseasonable visitation.

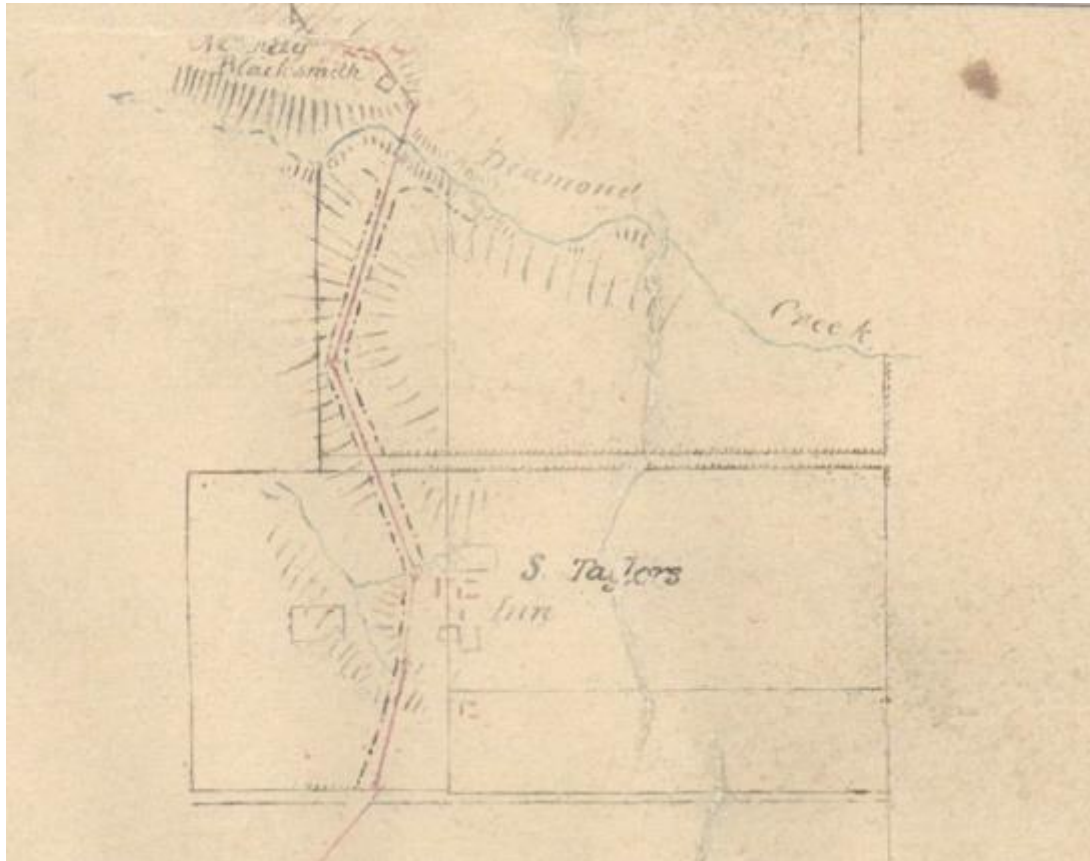
22-08-1859      SMH      MARRIAGE      Duncan Ferguson second son of Duncan Ferguson "Warrie" Palmers Oakey married Jane Virginia Peet, daughter of Charles Septimus Peet of Limekilns Roxbrough, at, "Warrie" Palmers Oakey, Minister Rev. Colin Stewart and the witnesses were John McKinnon and Hugh McKay, both of Limekilns.

Duncan and Jane met at the Rising Sun Inn at Limekilns. Family history has it that Charles Peet was involved in the silk trade in England and was very rich. During the early 1850's whilst visiting family in New York, Jane received singing lessons from Jenny Lynd to improve her beautiful singing voice. Charles in his quest for more riches came to Australia to invest in gold. He brought his wife and daughter Jane, and during the 1859's Samuel. Taylor was taking control of the Rising Sun Inn and he employed Jane to sing.

After Duncan and Jane were married they set up an inn at "Warrie" Palmers Oakey, and I would assume with the help of the wise one Mr Samuel Taylor.



Samuel Taylor



SITE of HARGRAVES INN

08-12-1859 The Free Press gives the following account :- Singular Discovery.-

About a fortnight ago, as a son of Mr. Taylor, 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 is 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.

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

00-01-1860 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

21-03-1861 SMH DEATH MACKAY-March 6th, at the Limekilns near Bathurst, Mr. Lachlan Mackay, senior, formerly of Coll, Argyleshire, Scotland, aged 67 years.

07-08-1861 SMH POST OFFICES.Post-offices were established on the 1st instant. Limekilns, near Peel

21-10-1861 SMH Tenders called for mail run Peel to Limekilns twice a week

22-01-1862 BFM Impounding's. PEEL.— On the 23rd December, from Mr. S. Taylor's Limekilns; damage and driving £1 5s. dark brown horse, J, under saddle, 6 year old, 15 hands high. If it not released, will be sold on the 20 Jan.1862. (*ad was a little late*)

29-03-1862 SMH Colonial Secretary's Office. Sydney, 29th March, 1862.

TWENTY POUNDS REWARD. Where as It has Been presented to the Government that, on the morning of the 13th instant, the property of Mr. SAMUEL TAYLOR, at Limekilns, Peel, was wilfully destroyed by FIRE, by some person or persons unknown Notice is hereby given that, in addition to the reward offered by Mr. Taylor, a reward of Twenty Pounds will be paid by

the Government to any person who may, within six months from the present date, give such information that shall lead to the conviction of guilty person. CHARLES COWPER.

02-07-1862 BFP MJ I Have in my possession Yellow COW branded TT on ribs and rump, on the milking side, and an illegible brand on the other side, which I believe to be my property anyone however, proving a better claim to her, can have her by paying the expenses. THOMAS TOBIN, Limekilns.

12-04-1862 SMH Breeding Sheep,-We sold 1000 three and four year old owes belonging to Mr. S, Taylor, delivered at the Limekilns, near Bathurst, at 14s.

23-08-1862 BFP MJ THE Rev. JAMES B. LAUGHTON of Bathurst will preach (D.V.) at Limekilns on SABBATH EVENING, August 31st, at seven o'clock.

22-10-1864 SMH. Bathurst Court. James Kessey was charged with robbery under arms, he having, 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 socks, and 7s. 6d. in silver. Mr. Dalley defended the prisoner. Sergeant Lyons deposed to having, from information received, made a search at the house of the prisoner's father on the 12th July. He found a poncho under a bed in one of the bedrooms, which he 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 looked 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 on one of the seams, which he sewed therewith 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 mock 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.

28-04-1865 SMH MARRIAGES. On the 19th instant, by special license, at Limekilns, by the Rev. Mr. Caldwell, James McCloy, of Mitchell's Creek, to Sarah, fifth daughter of Samuel Taylor, Esq., Limekilns, Peel.

On the 20th instant, by special license, at Sofala, by the Rev. Mr. Caldwell, Ebenezer Davis, second son of Mr. Ebenezer Davis, of the Half-way House, Carcoar Road, to Isabella, fourth daughter of Mr. S. Armour, of Windsor, N.S.W.

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

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.

31-10-1865 BT. EFFECTS OF THE DROUGHT AT LIMEKILNS.-

A correspondent, 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.

11-11-1865 SMH. No 923. PARISH OF JESSEE, COUNTY OF ROXBURGH-

100 acres, originally granted to Elizabeth Finley,

30 acres and 66 acres 1 roods 31 perches, originally granted to John Tobin,

13 acres 2 roods, 37 acres 1 rood, originally granted to Thomas Wright,

39 acres 1 rood, originally granted to the applicant, known, as the "Limekilns," and occupied by the applicant

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.

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

00-00-1866 Cobb & Co was responsible for the mail from Limekilns, which was carried by dray or on horseback to Bathurst. This little mining village had a post office, one hotel (The Rising Sun) and a population of 270 in 1866.

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.

06-11-1867 B T

On Friday last the foundation stone of a new Public School was laid at the Limekilns by W. Cummings, Esq M.L.A., on-the special invitation of the inhabitants The honorable gentleman spoke pointedly and elequently, urging the parents to educate their children and dwelling with unusual energy on the duty and necessity which required them to use their best exertions, to raise funds the support of the school. He deposited in a receptacle in the stone. before it was fixed in its place a bottle containing a copy of the latest number of each of the Bathurst newspapers and several coins of the present currency.

After the ceremony the honourable gentleman was invited to partake of a luncheon at Mr, Kearney's, Globe Tavern, where his health was proposed by Mr. S Taylor, seconded by Mr. J. McKinnon, and drunk-with great enthusiasm. Mr. Cummings

replied in a speech of considerable length, in which he dwelt upon his career as a representative, and explained the principles upon which he uniformly acted; and took occasion to recommend his constituents to be very careful when next they were called upon to elect a representative not to choose one who, when he went into the House, would take his seat in a corner, and never venture to express an opinion upon any question. Mr James Daley twitted the honourable member with what he considered to be one of his gravest faults namely his vote in favour of a double duty on tea; in reply to which Mr. Cummings said he was very happy to find Mr Daley had no worse fault to find with him after a period of eight years public servitude.

23-04-1868 SMH. PARISH ROAD, from the Clear Creek Gold Fields to the road from Bathurst via the Limekilns to Sofala, running through the lands supposed to be the property of J. Lawson, T. Lawson, David .Lawson, S. Lawson, William Cummings, it reserved road, and through Crown lands. Plan and Book of Reference, showing the intended line of the road above named, are now deposited at the office of the Surveyor-General, in Sydney, and at the Police Office-, Bathurst. All objections to be addressed, in writing, to the Clerk of the- Executive Council, within one month from 9th April.

09-02-1869 SMH INSOLVENCY COURT George Blackman, of Bread-and-Butter Flat, near Lime-kilns, farmer. Liabilities, £132 16s. 6d. Assets, £61 10s. Mr. Mackenzie, official assignee.

04-05-1869 SMH ROBBERY WITH ARMS.

William Slattery was indicted for that he, on the 29th January, at Carcoar Road, being then and there armed with certain offensive weapons, to wit, revolvers, did assault one James Nairns, and put the said James Nairns in bodily fear of his life , and did steal and carry away two mail bags, 100 letters, 100 pieces of paper, &c." The Crown Prosecutor said that it would be advisable to have the jury inquire whether the prisoner was insane or not.

The jury having been sworn, Dr. Busby was called.

His Honor explained to the jury their particular duty in the investigation as to the prisoner's sanity.

Dr. Busby deposed: I am surgeon to the Bathurst gaol, the prisoner was perfectly sane when he entered the gaol, and continued so until within a short time, I saw him last this morning, I saw him sometimes more than once a week since he came into the gaol, he was in a very low condition when he first came in, my opinion, under the circumstances is, that the prisoner is sane.

His Honor asked the prisoner if he had any questions to ask the doctor.

The prisoner, who was barefoot, said, I want my boots they have robbed me of my boots, as they did of every thing also. They are wretches, but I will show them who I am. There is not one of them who has the education to show me the value of a letter, there are only twenty-six of them in the alphabet, and not one of the educated men can shew me the value of one of them. The prisoner then said they had convicted him once and given him five years for a crime of which he was innocent, and he occasionally screeched out in threatening and abusive tones.

After declaring prisoner to be sane, the Crown Prosecutor explained to the jury the circumstances of the case as mainly reported in this journal at this time of the prisoner's examination before the committing magistrates.

Sergeant Lyons, being called, deposed, I remember hearing of the robber of the Carcoar mail in January, I afterwards arrested the prisoner at Rotton Hill, on the Limekilns Road, about fifteen miles from Bathurst, and perhaps thirty from the scene of the robbery. I was accompanied by a constable, I found prisoner in a wheat shed, near McEvoy's house, from information I had received I went to the wheat shed about 4 o'clock in the morning, there were two other persons in bed with the prisoner, we, the constable and myself, arrested three men all in bed together; one of whom afterwards escaped, another was afterwards discharged at the Police Court. I told them that I would shoot the first man who moved, they were not undressed, I felt the bed and found some notes. I produce them, I found the cheques produced in the purse produced near where the prisoner was standing outside, where I took him without handcuffing him, the man whom the magistrates discharged was beside prisoner when I found the purse. His Honor told the prisoner that the purse, cheques, and notes were tendered as evidence, and it was competent to the prisoner to say whether or not he had any objection to make.

Sergeant Lyons evidence continued. I searched further, and found under where prisoner's head had been two canisters of powder, two powder flasks, some bullets in a bag, some caps, a revolver in the same bag that was under the prisoner s head, and sundry gun-locks, a pair of hobbles, some clothing (produced), a woman's not-all, now produced, the prisoner was dressed in moleskin trousers, and had on the boots produced.

A thrill whistle was heard outside the Court House, and the prisoner immediately answered the sound by whistling with his fingers. His Honor said if the constables would only bring the person who had whistled out-side, he would send him to gaol.]

Lyons' evidence continued. I found two horses near the shed, one a bay cob (now outside the court) he is a remarkable horse, and I should know him well after having seen him once, the prisoner said at the time he knew nothing about the horses, I charged him with various robberies, and especially with robbing the Carcoar mail, he said he knew nothing about them.

His Honor asked the prisoner if he had any questions to ask.

The prisoner replied in abusive terms and threats.

James Nairn deposed: I am the Carcoar mail man, in January last, the 27th, the Carcoar mail was robbed. I was the driver. I saw two men come out of the bush about 150 yards off, they came towards the coach, one had a revolver, and the other a double barrelled gun, they pointed to the bush and held out the firearms towards me, and ordered me into the bush. I at first refused, but after-wards drove into the bush, one of the men sat on horse back that was the prisoner; I saw him afterwards in the Court House. I drove down into the gully, and prisoner ordered the passengers out of the coach, he asked me for fire-arms, I said I had none, they then took two mail bags, the Sydney one and the Bathurst one, the bags were both from Carcoar; one of the men put the bags on the horses and said "I have a good mind to cut the traces" I said that would be of no use, one of them had on moleskin trousers, a blue serge shirt and cabbage-tree hat, his face was covered with black crape, one of the boots he had on had two cuts on the toe-part, this was the man who was on horseback, there are two cuts on the boot now produced. I saw at the Police Court a horse which I identified, I picked the horse now outside out of 10 or 11 other horses, and I am quite sure that this is the horse the prisoner rode. I heard him speak in the Court when he was examined before the magistrate, and I am quite certain the prisoner is the man who spoke to me at the time of the robbery; the bags were in the same condition when taken away from me, as when I received them at the Post Office.

The prisoner asked no questions except "What do I know about them ?"

Michael Fabey, deposed I do not remember the day of the mail robbery, but I heard of it that evening, prisoner passed my place at twenty minutes to 12, I know Fitzgerald's Mount, I saw the prisoner and another man at Cress Gully about 8 o'clock the same morning the place is about half a mile from Fitzgerald's Mount. I saw two men there, and there were two horses feeding about twenty yards from where the men were sitting down, the horses had saddles and bridles on. I afterwards saw the same horses at the police court, they were the same horses I saw near the Mount the morning I refer to, one of horses is now outside the court, I saw the poncho produced near the men that morning, I believe it to be the same I then saw

Hong Ching, deposed, I am a baker and reside at Carcoar, I remember the Carcoar mail being stuck up, I had a registered letter in the mail at the time, I registered it at the Post Office, it had a cheque in it for £2 6s for Mr Webb, of Bathurst, the cheque produced is the one I posted, Mr Hilliar gave me the cheque.

Thomas Hilliar deposed. I drew out the cheque produced, and gave it to the last witness on the 23rd January, in Carcoar

George Campbell, deposed, I recognise the cheque produced, it was forwarded by me to the manager of the Commercial Bank, at Bathurst, I gave it to one of my servants to post at Cowra, I gave it to my servant on the 26<sup>th</sup> January, the Cowra mail usually starts about 2 o'clock in the morning, and passes through Carcoar, the cheque is for £7 14s 8d\_

Alfred John Whittaker, deposed, I am a son of Mr. Whittaker, postmaster at Carcoar, I assist in making up the mail, on the morning of the 27th January, I made up the mails for Bathurst and Blayney, I remember registering a letter for E Webb and Co, that morning, the document produced is a duplicate of the letters that was registered, Hong Ching registered the letter for E Webb and Co, and I put it in the bag, and the registered letters were put in the bag produced when sent to Bathurst, there was also a letter for the Commercial Bank, it came in the Cowra bag, I took it from that bag and put it in the Bathurst bag, I saw the bag sealed and delivered to the mailman

William. Gilbert Thomson deposed I am post master in Bathurst, I remember when the Carcoar mail was robbed, the mail on the 27th January did not come, I received no registered letter for E Webb and Co, there were no registered letters come that day.

This closed the case for the Crown. The prisoner offered no defence

The jury retired, and after a few minutes absence, re-turned into Court with a verdict of guilty.

The prisoner was then sentenced to ten years hard labour on the roads, or other public works of the colony.

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.

14-08-1869 SMH. TO LET, that well known large and commodious HOTEL at the LIMEKILNS, on the road from Bathurst to Sofala, known as the RISING SUN, together with 409 acres of land adjacent thereto, and substantially fenced. N.B.- The outbuildings consist of stables, sheds, chaff houses, coach house, stores, kitchen, laundry, and dairy. There are two large orchards and a garden, upwards of 100 acres of the land is cleared and under cultivation, The present proprietor is leaving on account of positive orders from his medical attendant. For farther particular apply on the premises, or at 42 York St. Sydney. **ad**

**was run June 1870**

00-00-1870 BFPMJ Hugh McKay thrown from his horse and suffered a very badly broken leg.

26-05-1870 SMH Lawrence Kearney, of the Limekilns, farmer and publican, out of business.

Liabilities, £232 14s. 9d. Assets. £5-0-0. Mr. Sempill, official assignee.

*(These must have been hard times for the hotel trade, Taylor unable to sell the Rising Sun and Kearney has gone broke CF)*

## **EAST MACQUARIE**

## **ELECTORAL ROLL 1870-71**

NAME	RESIDENCE	QUALIFICATION	WHERE SITUATE
Ball George	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Bell William	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
Carey John	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Carey Patrick	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Chapman John	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Chifley Patrick	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
Cooper George	Hollybrook	Resident	Hollybrook
Cronan Michael	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Cummings Thomas	Hollybrook	Resident	Hollybrook
Daley James	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
Dempsay William	Limekilns	Leasehold	Limekilns
Ealdon Elijah	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Feely John	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Fitzgerald John G	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Fogarty John	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
Frost John	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Gordon Robert	Hollybrook	Resident	Hollybrook
Green Samuel	Cheshire Creek	Resident	Cheshire Creek
Hackett Michael	Cheshire Creek	Freehold	Cheshire Creek
Harrington John	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Hume George	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Hume Thomas	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
Hume William	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Hudspratt Robert	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
Jeffries William	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Johnstone Robert	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Johnstone Donald	Cheshire Creek	Resident	Cheshire Creek



Kearne Michael	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Kearney Lawrence	Limekilns	Leasehold	Limekilns
Knox Arthur	Cheshire Creek	Resident	Cheshire Creek
McKay Hugh	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
McKay Laughan	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
McKay James	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
McKinnon John A	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
McKinnon Ewen	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
McKinnon Archibald	Limekilns	Leasehold	Limekilns
McKinnon John	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
Milton Henry	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
Murphy John Snr	Cheshire Creek	Resident	Cheshire Creek
Murphy John Jnr	Cheshire Creek	Resident	Cheshire Creek
Murphy Patrick	Cheshire Creek	Resident	Cheshire Creek
Murphy Michael	Cheshire Creek	Resident	Cheshire Creek
O'Donoghoe Daniel	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Rourke John	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
Ross John	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Say John	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
Shinebard John	Hollybrook	Resident	Hollybrook
Smith John	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Smith George	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Smith William	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Taylor Samuel Snr	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
Taylor Samuel Jnr	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Taylor Charles	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Temple Thomas	Limekilns	Resident	Sofala
Stewart Colin	Hermitage	Freehold	Limekilns
Stevens Joshua	Rotton Hill	Residence	Rotton Hill
Tobin James	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Tobin Thomas	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
Tobin John	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
Wilkinson Joseph	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Williamson Joseph	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
Wilson John	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns

01-01-1872 BFP MJ Limekilns,

Dear Doctor, I went to Bathurst on Monday last, and remained there till Tuesday evening; I rode, and the weather was very hot. I drank some brandy while in town; I am not in the habit of doing so. I was quite well on Thursday and Friday, but on Friday night I got pains in my stomach and bowels (violent). I took castor oil first; it did not affect me; I then took salts, which operated, it has given me some relief. The whole region of the stomach and abdomen is dreadfully sore and inflamed, so much so that I cannot turn in the bed without great difficulty and pain. I cannot stand on the floor. There is a great tightening in and about the region of the heart, my head is also very heavy, I am always in a kind of sleep (not natural); the part of my abdomen above the right groin is also most painful, at first I thought I was getting inflammation in the bowels, but the medicine having operated I don't think it. I rode on my boy's saddle and it was too small for me, besides I had a parcel wrapped in my coat and strapped in front of me, it was rubbing and bumping against my stomach all the way, this may in some measure account for the soreness in my inside. If this explanation of my complaint is sufficient to enable you to send me some relief, please do so, if not please come yourself as soon as possible. I am in great pain and what I dread most is that mortification of the bowels may set in.

(Signed) J. D. Fitzgerald.

09-01-1872 Teacher John Daniel Fitzgerald died age 51 at Limekilns, leaving a widow and 3 children.

10-01-1872 Inquest into John Fitzgeralds death held in school house.

15-08-1874 SUPREME COURT August 14. "TAYLOR. V. FITZPATRICK.

This was an action of trover for the recovery of agricultural implements, namely, ploughs, harrow, chaffcutters, corn crackers, cart, harness; also, household furniture, fixtures and stock in trade. The declaration charged the defendant with the conversion of this property. The defendant pleaded, firstly, that he was not guilty, and secondly, that the goods were not the plaintiffs.

Mr. Henry Stephen, intrusted by Mr. Dawson, appeared for the plaintiff; Mr. Davis, instructed by Mr. McIntosh (of Bathurst), for the defendant

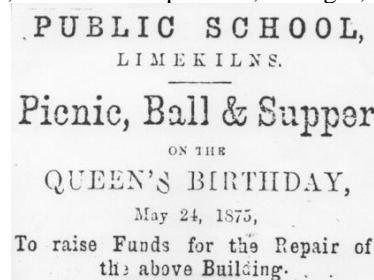
Jury: Mr. Thomas Benjamin Walker, of Waverley; Mr. William Watson, of Balmain; Mr. Thomas Wilshire, of "Waverley; and Mr. Charles Percy Woolley, of Cumberland street, Sydney.

This was an action in some respects similar to that tried in this Court on the previous day. The defendant was Mr. James Fitzpatrick, a storekeeper, of Bathurst; and it appeared that at the sittings of the Bathurst District Court in December, 1872, he obtained a judgment for £38. 2s. 6d. against Taylor's son-in-law, a person named Samuel Armour, and who had been indebted to him (Fitzpatrick) for goods sold and delivered and money lent. Upon the amount of taxed costs being added to the judgment it came to £39 12s. 2d. Several small payments were made on account, and thus the sum was brought down to £21.12s. 2d. However, as Armour failed to reduce the debt, further execution was issued against him on November 11 1873, and on the 6th



December following a bailiff went into possession of his effects at the Limekilns, near Bathurst. It would seem, however, that Armour had on August 26 1871, given a bill of sale to the plaintiff, under which the latter claimed the property levied upon. Of this his attorney, Mr. J. Dawson, apprised. Fitzpatrick's letter on December 8, demanding possession, and threatening legal proceedings in the event of the levy being persisted in. Fitzpatrick, however, disregarded this; and the effects were by his direction sold on the 13<sup>th</sup> December. At the sale most of the property was bought by Mr. J. Fitzpatrick, jun. There was on 16<sup>th</sup> December another letter from Dawson, demanding restoration of the goods, to which, on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of the same month, Mr. McIntosh (Fitzpatrick's attorney) wrote in reply, setting forth that the money secured under the bill of sale being made payable on demand, a continuing security against all other creditors had been created; besides which, there had been no mention of specific articles of property as distinct from property subsequently acquired. It was considered therefore that Taylor had no valid claim to the effects. However, as the latter declined to acquiesce in his view of the case the action was Instituted. The bill of sale had been given to secure re-payment of an advance of £60 to Armour. The latter was a publican and farmer, and he stated that as a matter of fact he had, since the bill of sale, only considered himself custodian of the goods for the plaintiff. The value of the property was about £70 to £80, but at the sale it only realised £20 10s. For the defence no evidence was called, and a nonsuit was applied for on the ground that the bill of sale had been given to farther a fraudulent collusion between the parties, having as its object the defeat of Armours creditors, and the preventing of them from reaping the fruit of any judgment obtained by them or any of them. The Chief Justice, however, declined to withhold the case from the jury, but reserved the question.

His Honor summed up, and directed the jury to consider the position of the parties as revealed upon the evidence. They must consider whether the bill of sale had been given in honesty and good faith, as if it were tainted with fraud, it would of course not hold good. The jury, without leaving the box, found for the plaintiff; damages, £70.



# **Limekilns 1875/76**

## **SURNAME CHRISTIAN OCCUPATION ADDRESS POST-TOWN**

ARMOUR	Samuel	storekeeper	---	Limekilns
BELL	William	farmer	---	Limekilns
BLACKMAN	George	farmer	---	Limekilns
CAREY	John	farmer	---	Limekilns
CAREY	Patrick	farmer	---	Limekilns
CARROLL	Michael	labourer	---	Limekilns
CHIFLEY	Patrick	farmer	---	Limekilns
CRONIN	Michael	farmer	---	Limekilns
DALEY	James	sheep farmer	---	Limekilns
FEENEY	John	shepherd	---	Limekilns
FIHANY	John	shepherd	---	Limekilns
FITZGERALD	John D.	postmaster	---	Limekilns
FOGERTY	John	farmer	---	Limekilns
GORMAN	Patrick	farmer	Paling Yards	Limekilns
HARRINGTON	John	farmer	---	Limekilns
HEWIT	Absalom	shepherd	---	Limekilns
HOLOUGHAN	Michael	farmer	---	Limekilns
HUDSPITH	William	farmer	---	Limekilns
HUME	Thomas	farmer	---	Limekilns
HUME	William	farmer	---	Limekilns
HUTCHISON	William	farmer	---	Limekilns
KEARNEY	Laurence	farmer	---	Limekilns
MCCUDDEN	Henry	farmer	---	Limekilns
MCCUDDEN	Frank jun.	farmer	---	Limekilns
MCCUDDEN	Frank sen.	farmer	---	Limekilns
MCCUDDEN	Henry	farmer	---	Limekilns
MCCUDDEN	John	farmer	---	Limekilns
MCEVOY	Samuel	farmer	---	Limekilns

MCKAY	Margaret	farmer	---	Limekilns
MCKAY	Hugh	farmer	---	Limekilns
MCKAY	James	road contractor	---	Limekilns
MCKINNON	Laughlin	farmer	---	Limekilns
MCKINNON	Archibald	sheep farmer	---	Limekilns
O'RIELEY	Samuel	farmer	---	Limekilns
ROACH	Martin	farmer	---	Limekilns
ROSS	John	road contractor	---	Limekilns
ROURKE	John	farmer	---	Limekilns
SMITH	George	miner	Paling Yards	Limekilns
SMITH	John	shepherd	---	Limekilns
TAYLOR	Charles	farmer	---	Limekilns
TAYLOR	Samuel	sheep overseer	---	Limekilns
TOBIN	John	mail contractor	---	Limekilns
TOBIN	Margaret	farmer	---	Limekilns
TOBIN	Thomas	farmer	---	Limekilns
WALKER	James	splitter	Rotten Hills	Limekilns

02-08-1878 SMH

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES. ECCLESIASTICAL JURISDICTION.

In the last Will and Testament of JOHN SAY, late of Limekilns, near Bathurst, in the colony of New South Wales. Farmer, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that, after the expiration of fourteen days from the publication hereof, application will be made to this Honourable Court, in its Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, that Probate of the last Will and Testament of the above-named deceased may be granted to ELIZABETH SAY, sole Executrix in the said Will named. Dated this 29th day of July, A.D. 1878. THOMAS HENRY HELLYER, Proctor for applicant, Howick-street, Bathurst By his agent, WILLIAM HELLYER, Sydney,

28-10-1878 SMH Mail Run

Peel, Clear Creek, and Limekilns, twice a week. Archibald McKinnon, horseback, 1 year, £30

21-12-1878 SMH General Post Office, Sydney 11th December, 1878. POST OFFICES will be established at the following places on the 1st proximo, viz. CLEAR CREEK, between Peel and Limekilns

- EAST MACQUARIE		ELECTORAL ROLL 1878-79		
-	NAME	RESIDENCE	QUALIFICATION	WHERE SITUATE
-	Atkins John	Cheshire Creek	Leasehold	Cheshire Creek
-	Atkins John	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
-	Bell William	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
-	Bell William Jr	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
-	Bell John	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
-	Blackman Charles	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
-	Bruton Robert	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
-	Campbell Allen	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
-	Chifley Patrick	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
-	Cummings Thomas	Hollybrook	Freehold	Hollybrook
-	Cummings John	Hollybrook	Resident	Hollybrook
-	Cummings P W	Hollybrook	Resident	Hollybrook
-	Daley James Snr	Paling Yards	Freehold	Limekilns
-	Hudspratt Walter	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
-	Hudspratt John	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
-	Hume George	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
-	Hume Thomas	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
-	Hume William	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
-	Hutchinson William	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
-	Kearney Timothy	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
-	Kearney Lawrence	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
-	Kearney Henry	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
-	Kearney Henry Horae	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
-	Kerr O. Richard	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
-	McEvoy Patrick	Rotton Hill	Resident	Rotton Hill
-	McEvoy John	Rotton Hill	Resident	Rotton Hill
-	McEvoy Edward	Rotton Hill	Resident	Rotton Hill
-	McEvoy William	Rotton Hill	Resident	Rotton Hill
-	McKay James	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns

- McKean Patrick	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
- McKinnon John	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
- McKinnon Ewen	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
- McKinnon Archibald	Limekilns	Leasehold	Limekilns
- Maskel Alfred	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
- Milton William	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
- Milton Henry	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
- Morris Charles	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
- Riley Samuel	Limekilns	Leasehold	Limekilns
- Rourke John	Limekilns	Leasehold	Limekilns
- Say John	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
- Smith John	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
- Taylor John Samuel	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
- Tobin John	Limekilns	Freehold	Limekilns
- White James	Limekilns	Resident	Limekilns
- Wilson Alexander	Limekilns	Leasehold	Limekilns

05-10-1880 SMH Mail Run. Peel, Clear Creek, and Limekilns, twice a week Mary A. D' Aran, horseback, 3 years, £46 per annum.

01-12-1880 In 1868 Thomas Tobin's father-in-law Samuel Taylor who owned the Rising Sun Hotel decided to move to Sydney. From 1869 it seems that Thomas Tobin, Samuel Taylor's son-in-law became the proprietor for the Rising Sun. However, there is no record of a license for the hotel between 1870 and 1887.

On the 1st December 1880 Samuel Taylor and Thomas Tobin drew up a memorandum of an agreement whereby Thomas Tobin leased the Rising Sun Hotel off his father-in-law, Samuel Taylor for one year:

*Limekilns December First 1880*

*Memorandum of an agreement entered into this day between Samuel Taylor of Sydney of the one part and Thomas Tobin grazier of the Limekilns of the second part.*

*The conditions are as follows*

*The said Samuel Taylor agrees to let the House and appurtenances known as the Rising Sun Hotel with ground behind and side of House as held by A Wilson, the one hundred and twenty acres of Charles Taylor's selection, the land in front lately leased by James Selley also the ninety nine acres lately bought from Selley also the acres known as the O 'Briens station for the term of One Year Rent to commence from the first day of January 1881 to the end of the Year 31st December 1881 for the sum of Thirst pounds. Half Years rent due 30th June 1881 Fifteen pounds.*

*And the said Thomas Tobin on the second part agrees to the foregoing arrangement and agrees at the expiration of the said year to give up peacible possession and to keep the House and appurtenances and fencing in fair state of repair.*

*At the expiration of this term it is mutually agreed upon to make a fresh arrangement.*

18-03-1882 BFPMJ APPOINTMENTS. The following gentlemen have been gazetted sheep and pasture directors for the district of Bathurst. Messrs. J. N. Gilmour Bathhampton. Charles McPhillamy Orton Park; John McKinnon, Limekilns. Fredrick Treweeks Clifton Grove. Wilson McAuley Blenheim.

10-06-1882 BFPMJ INQUEST. On Thursday an inquest was held at the hospital, before the District Coroner, B. Lie, Esq., P.M., and a jury of eight touching the death of Lah Fat, a Chinaman, who had been found dead at Clear Creek. Sarah Ann Ross, living at Clear Creek on Limekilns Road, deposed that on Tuesday evening she was returning from Mr. Sinclair's to her home and took a different path to the one she had when going over she noticed a swag lying beside a tree, she looked about but saw no one, she went on, and about 100 yards distant and saw a man's hat, on looking round she saw the body of deceased, subject of the present enquiry, he was lying on his right side with the hand under his head, witness went home as quickly as possible, and reported to her father, who went to some Chinamen living near, they refused to go to see the body, but lent Ross a horse to come into Bathurst, he came in and reported the matter to the police. There was a small channel near where the body was lying, but no water near. Senior-constable Button, of the mounted police, deposed that late on Tuesday evening John Ross of Clear Creek, came in and reported that his daughter found a Chinaman lying dead in the bush between Limekilns road and the Creek, yesterday witness went to the place and found the body about a quarter of a mile from Sinclair's home on the old track not now much used leading to the Limekilns road, witness found a bag about fifty yards from the body containing a few pounds of rice, some potatoes and two pumpkins; the body was lying in a small water course near the creek; it appeared to have been lying there many days, and it appeared as if water had run over it ; there was a handkerchief under his head and his right hand was under his cheek. With assistance witness brought the body into the Bathurst Hospital, where it now lies, there was very little clothing on the body and he had no blankets, he appeared to have died from exposure, about a fortnight ago. Witness met the same man in this locality, and he asked for sixpence, saying he was hungry ; he then looked very bad and was in an emaciated condition, he was an old man, witness had frequently seen deceased who used to beg. Dr. Bassett, deposed to having examined the body, he observed no marks of violence, upon making a post mortem examination he found both lungs congested, especially the right one, this with exposure and old life was sufficient to cause death, he was an old man, about 60 years of age, he appears to have been dead about ten days, Verdict. That death was caused through congestion of the lungs accelerated by exposure and old age.

29-10-1883 SMH Mail Run Peel, Clear Creek, and Limekilns, twice a week-Mary Ann D'Aran, horseback, three years, £56 per annum *Look back to 5/10/1880 CF*

# 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 Steel	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

20-06-1885 SMH LIMEKILNS, COUNTY of ROXBURGH, about EIGHTEEN MILES from BATHURST. HUGHES GRANT of 1000 ACRES (excepting 2 acres given to the Public School), at the junction of the LIMEKILN CREEK and another Creek, and known as the property of Mr. R. O. Kerr. The LAND is described as good limestone country, well enclosed, and divided into paddocks.

On it is a 5-roomcd Brick Cottage, with kitchen, dairy, and other outbuildings

12-09-1885 BFPMJ Preliminary Notice. In the Assigned Estate of R. O. Kerr

Important Sale by Auction AT LIMEKILNS. Wednesday, 30th September.

K. & W. OAKES ARE instructed by the Trustees in the above Estate to sell by public auction

The whole assets of Mr. R. O. KERR Comprising 180 ACRES, at Limekilns, under Real Property Act. 4 TOWN ALLOTMENTS, at Wattle Flat, with Buildings. &c. EXTENSIVE FARMING PLANT.DRAUGHT HORSES, SHEEP, &c.Particulars in future Advertisements.BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE

10-10-1885 SMH NOTICE is hereby given that RICHARD ORMSBY KERR, of the Limekilns, near Bathurst, In the colony of New South Wales, Farmer, by a certain indenture of assignment bearing even date herewith, did for the consideration herein mentioned grant, assign, and confirm all his estate, property, and effects whatsoever and wheresoever, to LOUIS EDGLEY and WILLAM TREMAIN, both of Bathurst, in the said colony ,General Storekeeper and Miller respectively, in trust for the benefit of all the creditors of the said Richard Ormsby Kerr. And further, that the said indenture was duly executed by the said Richard Ormsby Kerr, Louis Edgley. and William Tremain, according to the Act of the Legislative Council of New South Wales in that behalf made and provided, and now lies for inspection and execution at the office of ALFRED GORDON THOMPON, Solicitor, Russell-street, Bathurst.

Dated this thirtieth day of September, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-five \_\_,

R O KERR . L EDGLEY. W TREMAIN. Witness to the signatures of the said Richard Ormsby Kerr, Louis Edgley, and William Tremain W R Cortis, J P.

26-12-1885 BFPMJ To Farmers, and Others. Important Sale by Auction AT LANCEWOOD, LIMEKILNS, In the Assigned Estate of R. O. Kerr Wed, 30th September, At 12 o'clock sharp. At Mr. KERR'S Late Residence, LIMEKILNS. 180 ACRES FREEHOLD LAND, Limekilns, fenced and improved.

1½ ACRE ALLOTMENT at Wattle Flat, with Slaughter Yards and Buildings.

3 TOWN ALLOTMENTS. Wattle Flat, with Butcher's Shop and Dwelling, known as Mrs. McDonald's.

EXTENSIVE FARMING PLANT, including Hornsby Reaper and Twine Binder, Hornsby's Reapers and Mowers, Horse Rake, Single and Double Furrow Ploughs, large Chaff Cutters and Horse Works, &c. HORSES, SHEEP, &c. LUNCH PROVIDED.

174 Acre Farm. — (Freehold).At the Paling Yards, near Wattle Flat, KNOWN AS DALEY'S.

WEDNESDAY NEXT, 30th SEPT. AT THE LIMEKILNS.

K. & W. OAKES ARE instructed by the Mortgagee to sell by public auction, at KERR'S SALE, LIMEKILNS, on WEDNESDAY NEXT, 30<sup>th</sup> Sept., The above SNUG LITTLE FARM, containing about 174 acres of rich arable land, fenced and otherwise improved, adjoining the Wattle Flat Common.

Terms ; One half cash, and the balance may remain for 12 months at 7 per cent, interest secured by mortgage on the property.

		1885 STOCK RETURNS						
Holding Post Town	Occupier		Acreage	Horses	Cattle	Sheep	Pigs	
Tobins Oakey	Limekilns	Thos.Tobin	7083	15	24	993		
Tobins Oakey	Limekilns	John Tobin	4000	4		802		
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Limekilns	Limekilns	Thos. Hume	40	12	5			
Limekilns	Limekilns	R O Kerr	1250	16	19	100	3	
Limekilns	Limekilns	William Melton	2190	15	11		1	
Limekilns	Limekilns	James Selby	80	2	12			

23-01-1886 BFP MJ In the Supreme Court of New South Wales. ECCLESIASTICAL JURISDICTION. In the Lands and Goods of WALTER SINCLAIR, late of Willow Dale, near Limekilns, farmer, deceased, intestate. NOTICE is hereby given that after the expiration of fourteen days from the publication hereof in the New South Wales Government Gazette, application will be made to this Honourable Court, in its Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, that administration of all and singular, the lands and goods of the abovenamed deceased, who departed this life on the sixteenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, may be granted to JANET SINCLAIR, of Willow Dale, aforesaid widow of the said deceased. Dated this 21st day of January, 1886.

ALFRED GORDON THOMPSON, Proctor for the Applicant, Bathurst.

30-01-1886 BFP MJ Friday Next, 5th February. At 1 o'clock, R. & W. OAKES. HAVE received instructions from Mr. JOHN SCHOFIELD to Sell by public auction at his farm, Limekilns Road, near the Jew's Hill, on FRIDAY NEXT, The above lot of Splendid Hay and Straw of the very best quality, and securely; thatched;

18-02-1886 BFP MJ ANNUAL LEASES.— The following pre-emptive leases have been converted into annual leases : S. Taylor, Sydney, 120 acres, county Roxburgh, parish Jesse; P. Chifley, Limekilns, 168 acres and 360 acres, county Roxburgh, parish Wyagdon

20-02-1886 BFP MJ ROAD WORK. Fresh tenders are called by Mr. Doyle, Head Superintendent, for works on the Limekilns Road to Palmer's Oakey and Upper Turon,

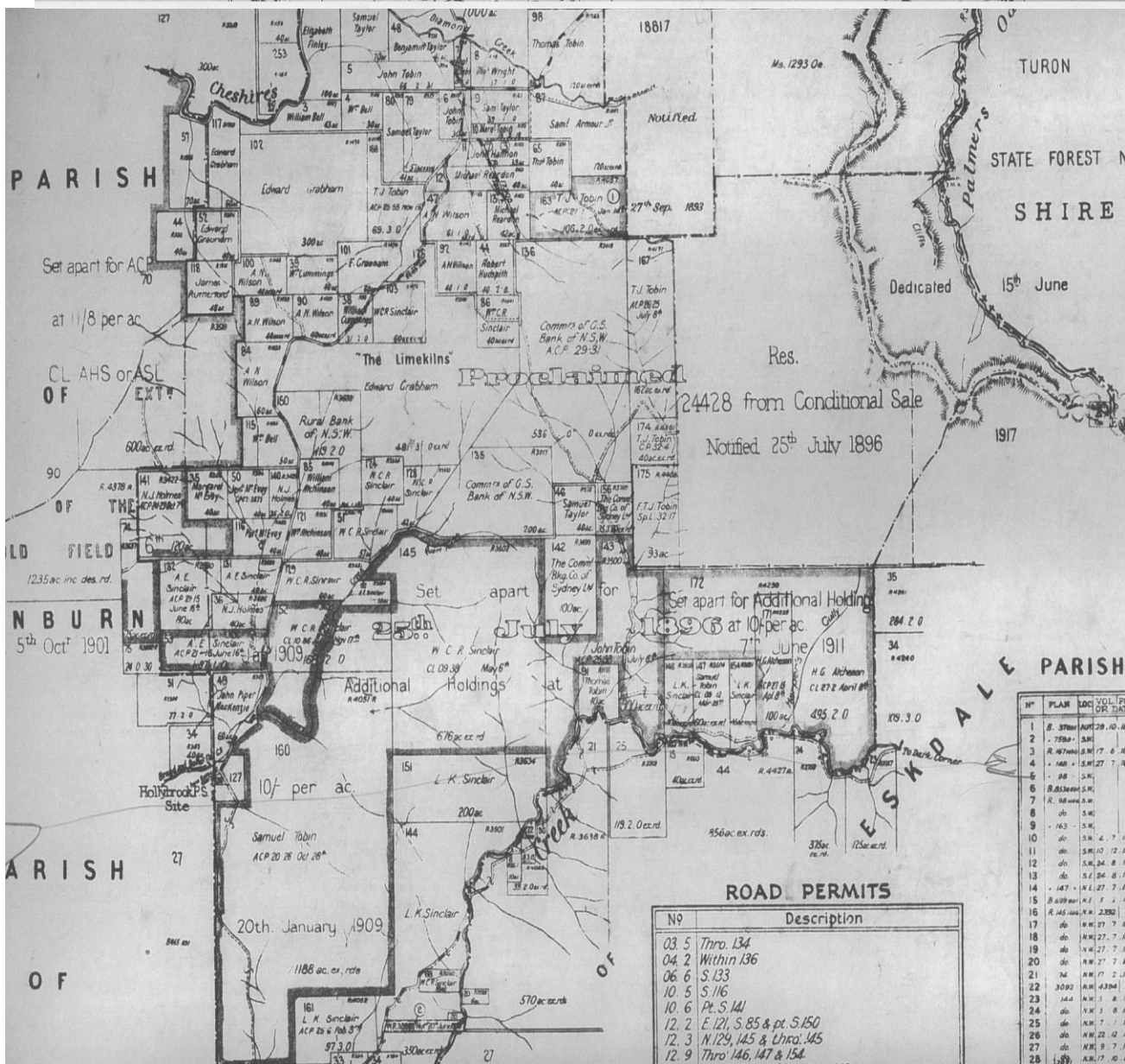
18-03-1886 BFP MJ Road Contracts. The following have been accepted. James Storey, contract 2-O, road Limekilns, road to Palmer's Oakey and Upper Turon, £477



TYPICAL 1880s BUTCHERS SHOP.

The list below is from the Parish of Jessie map 1886. Not all are correct at this time as sales were not entered.

			120	„	40
PORTION	OWNER	ACRES	43	RO Kerr	60
113	Harry McCudden	50	42	„	120
104	„	40	75	Jehu Say	40
111	„	80	41	John Tobin	38
69	„	40	57	„	40
110	„	90	66	„	40
151	Gransell	40	98	„	120
152	„	40	6	„	30
24	John Foyd	44	67	Mary Tobin	38
23	Ewan McKinnon	42	123	„	120
96	Pat Gorman	40	1	John Terry Hughes	1000
54	„	60	15	J Cronan	50
107	„	40	14	J Daley	30
55	„	40	87	Samuel Taylor Jr 1	20
97	„	40	65	T Tobin	40
70	„	70	11	John Hannon	39
73	Henry Milton	40	12	Michael Reardon	48
72	Simon Tobin	40	9	Sam Taylor	39
82	H Blackadder	40	45	„	70
105	„	40	46	„	40
81	George Smith	40	79	„	57
25	Samuel McCudden	43	80	„	41
26	James Daley	43	85	„	70
27	John B Suttor	40	10	M Tobin	16
29	James Daley	45	4	Wm Bell	30
78	Jehu Say	40	3	„	43
77	„	40	5	John Tobin	66
108	„	40	48	Ben Taylor	41
76	Jehu Say	80	2	Elizabeth Finley	100
74	James McCudden	60	102	Marie Selley	300
93	Sam John Say	80	101	„	60
113	T Melton	40	103	J Shelly	60
94	„	200	13	M Reardon	42
106	Pat Gorman	70	44	H H Hudspith	40
114	„	40	47	„	62
95	Henry Melton	60	92	„	40
71	„	87	125	Thomas Durack	480
61	„	20	128	„	42
88	„	109	129	„	40
102	W Melton	40	38	Wm Cummings	31
75	John Fogarty	80	39	„	40
81	„	40	90	John Thomas Bower	40
66	„	40	100	„	40
100	Patrick Chifley	56	118	A W McKinnon	48
40	John McKinnon	26	84	William Bell	60
17	„	39	115	„	50
18	„	36	85	William Atchenson	40
19	„	63	86	„	120
20	„	61	121	„	40
16	J Dalev Jr	40	124	G Bower	40
63	Jno Rourke	60	51	Wm Dempsey	50
64	„	41	62	Margaret McEvoy	40
37	„	80	50	J McEvoy	40
59	„	40	116	R McEvoy	4
119	„	48			





20-04-1886      BFPMJ LICENSING COURT.      Monday, April 19, 1886. Before the Licensing Magistrates Mr. B. Lee, P.M., Hons. E. Webb and W. H. Suttor. M. L. C. New License Refused. The application of Thomas Tobin, for a license for a new house at Limekilns was refused.

07-09-1886      BFPMJ DEATH ? ?      Mr. John McKinnon, J.P. On Saturday last a report appeared in one of our contemporaries stating that Mr. John McKinnon, J.P., of Limekilns, had died suddenly. The report was altogether incorrect, for yesterday Mr. McKinnon paid us a visit, and we were glad to see that he was in good health, and we hope he will long be spared to take part in the active duties of life. The report will doubtless have gained considerable publicity, and in all probability will cause some anxiety and sorrow to members of Mr. McKinnon's family, who are at present ninety miles from home. The report must have arisen from the fact that Mr. McKinnon's brother, Mr. Peter McKinnon, died on August 31st, and this gentleman had had a death in his family only a week before. The deceased gentleman was 20 years older than Mr. John McKinnon, and had been ailing for two or three years.

18-11-1886      BFPMJ Mail Contracts. THE following tenders for the conveyance of mails on Western roads from 1st January next, have been accepted :Peel, Clear Creek, and Limekilns, twice week, George Trevitt, horseback, 1 year, £40.

22-03-1887      BFPMJ Notice of Application for a Publican's License. THOMAS TOBIN, residing at the Limekilns, in the Licensing District of Bathurst, Grazier, do hereby Give notice that I desire to obtain and will, at the next Licensing Court, to be holden at Bathurst on the Twenty-fifth day of April next, apply under Section 11 of The Licensing Act Amendment Act of 1883 for a Certificate, authorising the issue of a PUBLICAN'S LICENSE for premises situate at the Limekilns, in the District of Bathurst, and to be known by the sign of THE RISING SUN INN—containing four bedrooms and two sitting rooms exclusive of those required for the use of the family. The Premises in respect of which this application is made are not accessible by any practicable roadway to any licensed premises situate within ten miles of such first named premises.

Dated at Bathurst the 10th day of March, a.d. 1887. (Signed) THOMAS TOBIN. Witness, J. N. McIntosh, Solicitor.

19-04-1887      BFPMJ IMPORTANT AUCTION SALE. CITY, SUBURBAN, AND COUNTRY PROPERTIES.

Monday, 25th April, 1887. At 3 o'clock. AT THE ROYAL HOTEL, BATHURST, CLEMENTS & MCCARTHY. Have received instructions from Dr. CORTIS, M.P., to sell by auction, as above in consequence of his determination to reside in Sydney, the following

LOT 2— The LIMEKILNS FARM, about 1,200 acres (more or less), 20 miles from Bathurst. 700 acres is arable, 100 acres being rich black soil flats suitable for lucerne, the balance sound, healthy, fattening country, nearly all ringbarked. The Improvements which cost £2,000 are very complete, consisting of an excellent House, Stable with loft, Hay and Cart Sheds, &c. The property is bounded on three sides by permanent creeks, is securely fenced, and divided into several conveniently sized paddocks, sheep and cattle proof. Intending purchasers will be driven out to inspect.

24-05-1887      BFPMJ Bathurst Lands Office. — Only one selection was taken up at the Bathurst Lands Office on Thursday, namely P. Chifley, Limekilns, 40 acres, county Roxburgh, parish Wyagdon.

11-06-1887      BFPMJ Fatal Accident.      On Friday, 3rd instant, a fatal accident happened to a young man, aged 16 years, son of Mr. Atcheson, of the Limekilns. Mr. Atcheson had got up some sports in the neighbourhood, and his son was riding in one of the races when his horse collided with a tree and the young man was killed on the spot, in view of his parents and the visitors. An inquest was not considered necessary, and the remains were interred on Sunday in the Kelso Cemetery, the funeral being one of the largest that has taken place in that part of the district.

08-09-1887      SMH      Death      KEARNEY. At the residence of his sister-in-law, 385, Cleveland Street, Redfern, Lawrence Kearney, late of Limekilns, age 69.

11-11-1888      SMH      Death      CHIFLEY      At he Limekilns, near Bathurst, Ellen, beloved wife of Patrick Chifley, aged 51 years. May her soul rest in peace.

25-07-1889      BFPMJ Native Dogs.      The pastoralists in the Bathurst district are again suffering extensively through the ravages of, not only tame, but native dogs. The native dogs are greatly on the increase, and sheep-owners are at a loss to know what means can be adopted to allay the nuisance. In some districts in which native dogs have not been seen for years they are again infested. Yesterday the skin of a dog was brought in from Yetholme by Mr. Turner. Mr. Turner said that these dogs had not been seen about that neighbourhood for 15 years. Mr. McKinnon, of Limekilns, said that in the part of the country on which he lived the native dogs were rapidly increasing. Those dogs are not the proper 'dingo,' but a cross between the native and tame dogs. They are more fearless than the others, and, a few nights ago, having followed a sheep into a neighbour's yard, killed it in the woolshed. The Stock Protection Board are determined to get rid of the pest, and, at a meeting held yesterday, all the members agreed that a substantial bonus should be paid, but pointed out that extreme care should be exercised by the receivers to ascertain whether the dogs had been killed in the Bathurst district.

29- 01-1890.      Bathurst Free Press      The New Caves at the Limekilns      [By The Chatterer.]

Having heard certain vague rumours of the discovery of a cave or caves in the vicinity of the Limekilns, the Messrs. J. and T. Atkins, who are enthusiasts in such explorations, decided to avail themselves of an early opportunity of going to the spot and seeing for themselves if there was anything to see. That opportunity presented itself on last Monday, Anniversary day, and having received an invitation to accompany the party, I made my way to the starting point as the gaol clock rang out the hour of four over the stillness of the yet sleeping city. There I found everything in readiness, horses and vehicle, bags, ropes, twine, candles, and grub and within a very short time, we were bowling quietly across the bridge which spans the river, and shortly there after climbing the hill up which the road to the Limekilns reaches after leaving the old Sydney road (it was called the new road in my young days) at Kelso. Out past

the "Yarras", and across the Winburndale Rivulet, losing count as we went of the huge stacks of wheat and hay which dotted the fenced-in plains on either side, we jogged steadily along. It was at this spot that we surprised a scalper in his camp. He had just finished his early breakfast, by the side of the creek, and with horses freshened by their night's rest, he was just beginning to move towards the City of the Plains with his dray load of scalps and hides, hares, kangaroos, wallabies, and no doubt an occasional dingo being represented on the dray by the covering which had proved at once their shelter and the cause of their destruction. He had evidently come from the land of game, and what we had seen on the dray prepared us for the sight of numbers of those animals which have been made 'noxious' by Act of Parliament. Hares there were in abundance, while here and there we caught sight of kangaroos making their way back into the scrub after a night of feeding on ground which was too exposed during the day. Out past Clear Creek we went, admiring the few paddocks of luxuriant corn which lined the deep, soil of its banks, and over hills until we reached a spot far enough from home to make breakfast feel "good." From the top of a long hill a little further on we came in sight of the valley in which the red earth and whitey grey stone indicating the character of the country were plainly observable. We did not see any limekilns, and were so taken up with speculation concerning the locality of the hill, into the empty stomach of which we hoped to dip, that we did not think to look for them ; but they were somewhere near or the remains of them, no doubt ; else, why the name. A steady run from the top of the hill brought us to the front of the "Rising Sun," a neat little hostelry kept by a gentleman bearing a name which has been heard in the district for many years, Mr. Thomas Tobin. Mr. and Mrs. Tobin very kindly answered all the questions we cared to put to them. Is it true that there are some caves in this locality, and can we gain entrance to them was one of the many questions that we put, and receiving an answer in the affirmative, followed by full information concerning the locality, character, discovery, and exploration of the caves, we individually congratulated ourselves that we were 'in' for a good day's sport. And shortly thereafter we were on our way to the mouth of "Ben Glen," (I cannot make affidavit that I have got this name correctly), in charge of a guide. Our guide was Mr. Tobin, junr., and a downright and up straight good young fellow he proved to be. The cave (for as yet only one cave has been discovered) is in his keeping, together with the section of land surrounding, and as it was found that some of those who had been allowed the run of the cavern had broken a large number of the prettiest stalactites and carried, them away as curiosities, he had provided himself with a padlock and key, which effectually secured against intruders the door which had been made to close the entrance. The fact that a cave existed in the hill not by any means a mountain had been known, for a length of time by the owner of the land, and Mr. Tobin, who has had charge of it, but the difficulties of access thereto had prevented any 'attempt to open or explore it. Just recently, however, a proper entrance has been made by blasting the rock which covered the hole leading down into the first chamber for it was simply a hole in the side of the hill, and an easy descent has been cleared and a safe archway built up, so that now the first chamber can be entered without any difficulty provided, of course, that Mr. Tobin is there with his key for the door that has been erected across the squared opening. This first chamber is a space of about 20ft. by 20ft., with a height varying from 8ft. to 8in., the roof being, if it were level, like the inside of a huge boiler lid. And here the first glimpse of the stalactites are obtained, and the fact made plain that we are in a cavern made by water operating upon limestone. Yet we also learn at a glance that there is, much more than, limestone present. On the sides and in the roof are strata of conglomerate, made up of fossil shells, bones, and even pieces of petrified wood, all pressed together and undergoing a secondary process of disintegration or further solidification, the face of the conglomerate in places being coated with a glistening covering of limerock. I suppose that geologists will laugh at the terms I may use, but what care I so long as I can make at all plain to the ordinary reader what we saw. On the left side of the entrance the roof suddenly dips until it touches the floor, being joined there to by crystallised rock, brown and moist on the surface, but sparkling like diamonds beneath the crust, when broken as we broke it, for the purpose of forcing a small entrance for the youngest and smallest, though most active explorer of the party. But although many inducements, in the shape of stalactites glistening as they pointed downwards from the roof beyond the division, but nearly touching the floor, offered to peg away with chisel and hammer and spade, to force a way into the unexplored regions beyond, we desisted, and turned our attention to the larger openings in the centre, which had already been entered. Down a flight of rude steps we went and then had to face our first real difficulty. After lighting our candles and crossing a small chamber where stalactites could be seen forming, we had to stoop to conquer, and at last the stoop became a crawl, until we literally had to wriggle and squirm on knees and stomach, elbows and toes, in order to make advancement. For about fifty yards the distance seemed a mile we struggled over what would have been a rough bed of stalagmites if it had not been made fairly smooth and uncomfortably soft by mud. But who cares for mud when there are wonders on the other side of the passage. We got through safely, but terribly "blown" and not by any means fit to enter the presence of royalty, and then the scene expanded to our view. A large chamber with numerous small passages branching off and down, whose roof glistened with stalactites in course of formation, some of them having, as the only Irishman of the party poetically expressed it, "glistening tear drops on the end of the nose". In some of the niches in the wall and nooks in the roof which vandal fingers could not reach, there were clusters of very pretty stalactites, but these were not numerous, although the broken "stumps" standing out over the roof showed how much damage had been done by specimen hunters. Away down and forward, with an occasional crawl into the sloping passages along the route, sticky with clay and moist as the leather sucker of a pump at work, we pushed our way, occasionally stopping to make a sensation by lighting some magnesium wire, the effect in some cases being remarkably pretty. Beds of coral, not too white, certainly, here met our view, and rugged terraces of the shell and pebble conglomerate running in irregular courses along the sides and the roof. Still down until we came to point which three weeks ago was impassable by reason of a sheet of water which lay on the bottom, but the water has suddenly disappeared how and where is a mystery although I believe by drainage into Cheshire Creek, or some deeper receptacle on the far side of the hill. Clambering

over rugged places, and squirting through "mucky" places, we pushed on until, far, ahead we came to a place where water warned us that further progress would not be enjoyable, and perhaps not safe. The stalactites were here not nearly so numerous as were anticipated or wished, but there were sights sufficiently strange, and peculiar to engage the attention for a very long time. But our lunch was waiting at the caretaker's house and we felt, drawn back to the entrance. Hither, therefore, slowly and still exploring, we made our way, and were not at all sorry once more to see the light of the sun and breathe the dryer, if hotter, air outside. But we had only got half through our work, and after lunch we explored the surface of the hill, here also finding heaps of conglomerate chiefly fossil that would have delighted the eyes and heart of those who make geology a study. In the face of some of the rocks could be seen prints of innumerable shells, fish, &c, while here and there lay pieces of petrified wood a similar formation to that seen in the cave. But we did not stay long over these. After several ineffectual attempts to get into the stomach of this curious hill through other openings which evidently lead below, we returned to the main entrance, and entertained some visitors in the persons of Rev. Father O'Donnell, of Wattle Flat, and several ladies, who were ready to brave the darkness and the dirt the one very solid and other very soft in order to see some portion of the cave by magnesium-wire light. I cannot stay to dwell upon the bravery of at least one of the young ladies, who followed us back and forth through the mysterious chambers, but she declared that the sight was worth all the trouble and the mud, and I think she must have been strengthened in her resolve to take the journey by the reflection that "To-morrow was washing-day" But I have made my story sufficiently long. Although the caves are a long way from being a second Jenolan, they are well worth a visit, and if a little time is devoted to exploration I believe that other caves will be found opening from these. Very little exploration has yet been, done, and that but imperfectly. By the expenditure of a little labour and money in clearing away obstructions and removing some of the soil from the floors, a passable track along the whole course of the explored portion could be made, and this done visitors would find a trip to the Limekilns both pleasant and profitable. The distance from Bathurst is only sixteen miles, along a good road, and those who have a taste for nature's wonders would find at the journey's end something that would gratify their taste. The property on which the caves are situated belongs to Mr. S. Taylor, of Queen's Place, Sydney, who in the "digging days" used to reside in the locality. He has just lately had several acres of the land laid out as a vineyard and orchard, and in the course of a few years I expect to see a most picturesque spot in the valley between the hills whose silence was somewhat broken by us on Monday last.

23-04-1890 Eskdale. SMH Wedding BARNES—TOBIN. April 9, at the residence of the bride's parents, by the Rev. Father O'Donnell, Edward Barnes, late of Winchester, England, to Louisa, eldest daughter of Mr. T. Tobin, Limekilns, and granddaughter of Mr. Samuel Taylor, Sydney.

05-09-1890 BFPMJ Good Property Enquiries made for cottages in good position. We sold, on account Jonathan Davison, his property at Limekilns for £1600, Mr Wolford. purchaser.

**Census District** No. 28 1891 **Name:** Bathurst **Subdistrict:** 28 P **County:** Roxburgh **Township or Village:** Lime Kilns, **Name of Collector:** John McKinnon

The Southern boundary of Sofala Parish . The range dividing Wyagdon & Jesse from Sofala and the Eastern boundary of

Locality	Name of householder	No. of house holders schedule	Total number of persons in each schedule		Number of Chinese & Aborigines included in two previous columns				Remarks
					Chinese		Aborigines		
			M	F	M	F	M	F	
Lime Kilns	McKerrison? John	1	6	3					
Lime Kilns	Harrison, Frederick	2	2	4					
Lime Kilns	Clay, John M	3	6						
Lime Kilns	Hume, Hamilton	4	2	3					
Lime Kilns	Hume, John	5	2	1					
Lime Kilns		6							uninhabited
Lime Kilns	Chifley, Patrick	7	2	1					
Lime Kilns		8							Catholic Church
Lime Kilns	Melton, Henry	9	7	3					
Lime Kilns		10							uninhabited
Dead Horse Gully	Hyne, Michael	11	1						
Dead Horse Gully	McAtumney, James	12	1	1					

Dead Horse Gully		13							uninhabited
Dead Horse Gully	Balsam, Louis	14	2						
Dead Horse Gully		15							uninhabited
Balmoral Farm	Carmichael, Allan	16	1	2					
Wheatfield	Bourke, Ambrose	17	4	1					
Wheatfield	Carroll, Patrick	18	3	3					
Wheatfield	Smith, John Trigg	19	2						
Wheatfield	Smith, George	20	1						
Wheatfield	McCuddin, Henry	21	5	4					
Wheatfield		22							uninhabited
Wheatfield	McCuddin, Francis	23	3	2					
Wheatfield	Gorman, John	24	2	7					
Lime Kilns	Bowers, Emily	25	6	4					
Lime Kilns		26							Public School
Wheatfield		27							Public School
Lime Kilns		28							Uninhabited
Lime Kilns	Rourke, John	29 S	4	3					Substituted from the original from
Lime Kilns	Tobin, Mary	30 S	8	2					Substituted from the original from
Lime Kilns		31							uninhabited
Lime Kilns	Tobin, Simon	32	4	2					
Lime Kilns	MacAndrew, James	33	2	1					
Diamond Creek	McDiarmid, Charles	34	1						
Diamond Creek	Pether, Richard	35	1						
Diamond Creek	Laygore, Henry	36	1						
Diamond Creek	Wilson, Alexander	37	1						
Lime Kilns	Tobin, James	38	4	5					
Lime Kilns		39							uninhabited
Lime Kilns	Tobin, Thomas	40	7						
Lime Kilns		41							uninhabited
Lime Kilns		42							uninhabited
Lime Kilns		43							uninhabited
Cheshire Creek		44							uninhabited
Cheshire Creek	Gilchrist, Hugh	45	2						
Cheshire Creek	McCormack John A	46	4	4					
Cheshire Creek	Frieson, Amelia	47	1	2					
Cheshire Creek	Frieson, Mary Ann	48		1					
Cheshire Creek		49							uninhabited
Cheshire Creek	Graham, Robert	50	5	8					

Rotten Hill	Davison, Mary A.	89	3	3					
Rotten Hill	McEvoy, John	90	2						
Rotten Hill	McEvoy, Patrick	91	5	5					
Rotten Hill	Ward, James	92	1						
Rotten Hill	Bowers George	94	3						
Quart Pot	Sinclair, Alfred	95	5	2					
Bread & Butter Flat	Sinclair, Helen	96	4	4					
Bread & Butter Flat	Shirlaw, Hugh	98	1	1					
Bread & Butter Flat	Clapham, George S	99	3	5					
Lime Kilns Road	Hoy, Ah	101	3		3				
Lime Kilns Road	Kin, Ah	102	2		2				
Lime Kilns Road	Zoa, Ah	103	2		2				
Lime Kilns Road	Look, Ah	104	3		3				
Lime Kilns Road	Gue, On	105	3		3				
Lime Kilns Road	Wah, Thomas M	106	2	1	2				
Lime Kilns Road	Grimes, Michael	107	4	2					
Road Lime Kilns to Palmers Oaky	McLeod, George	123	1						travelling with wagon to Palmers Oaky Creek
Lime Kilns	Melton, Francis Joseph	124	1						

02-05-1891 BFP MJ SOFALA POLICE COURT.

Thursday, April, 28th, 1891.(Before Messrs. Henry Hinton and Charles Jones, J.P.)

Albert Rex appeared before the court in custody, charged with stealing one chestnut mare, the property of Thomas Tobin. Michael Fagan, being sworn, stated, I am a senior constable, stationed at Sofala, on Tuesday, 27th March last, I was on duty at the Crudine, I saw the prisoner and a man named Winsper at a hut there, I said to Winsper, "Come up to the paddock, I want to see your horse ", he did so, on searching the paddock I found a chestnut mare, which was reported to me by Thomas Tobin as having been stolen. I returned to the hut to see the prisoner, and found he had gone, I then took possession of the mare, and she is now outside the court, on Friday, the 15th inst, I arrested the prisoner at Winsper's, by virtue of the warrant produced, wherein he is charged with stealing the mare on view at the lock-up ; I read the warrant to the prisoner ; he replied, "I see there is a warrant", this morning I took him out to the Courthouse yard and pointed out the mare to him, I said, "This is the mare you are charged with stealing"; he made no reply, when I searched him at the lock-up I found the letter produced on him (marked A); the letter also produced (marked B) was handed to me by James Tobin. The prisoner asked witness no questions. James Tobin, on oath, states, I am a farmer, and reside at Limekilns, I know the prisoner; he has been in my father's employment for some time; on or about the 7th March I missed the chestnut mare from the paddock at the Limekilns, I had charge of the place in the absence of my father, who was in Sydney. I searched for the mare and could not find her, and so reported the matter to the police. I did not see the mare again until I got her from Senior-constable Fagan on 29th inst. I have had charge of her since. I did not authorize the prisoner or any other person to take her, the mare is not in the habit of straying away, and could not get out of the paddock unless she was taken out; the brands have been altered on the mare. I can trace the original brand on the mare, which is l over l, and now appears under the alteration, two blotches, after receiving the mare from the police I received a letter from Rex, and I replied by letter. The prisoner asked no questions.

Thomas Tobin, on oath, states. I am a publican residing at the Limekilns. I saw the mare outside the courthouse, she is my property. I did not sell or authorise the sale of her at any time. I know the prisoner, I saw him last in Sydney early in March, he left then. I did not know when he was going, he was in my employment at onetime My registered brand is l over l, that mare outside the court has my brand on her I left her in charge of my son James, with other things, while I was in Sydney, and on my return from Sydney I found she had gone, when she was returned to me by the police she had a sore back, the brands had been altered, and her condition was reduced. I did not authorize anyone to take her, she is a well-bred mare, I value the mare at £6, she is aged. The prisoner asked no questions. Isaac Winsper, on oath, states: I am a farmer residing at Crudine. I know the prisoner, I remember Sunday, 27th March, when Senior-constable Fagan came to my place; the prisoner was in my hut at the time, Constable Fagan asked me "Where is your horse ?" I replied "It is in the paddock ". I went with Senior-constable Fagan to see the horses and after seeing them he asked me "Are



these your horses?" and I replied. "These are my horses". he said. "has Rex a horse here". I replied "He has" he said " Is that her in the top corner of the paddock". I replied "Yes", he went and had a look at the mare and came back to the hut, the prisoner had then gone, he left my place that evening. I did not see him for three or four days after. Constable Fagan got a rope from me to take the mare away and told me that if Rex wanted the mare he could get her from him, he asked me to look at the mare and I believe the mare outside the court is the mare he took from my paddock. I engaged the prisoner on the 9<sup>th</sup> of March at Hammond's, about four miles from my place, after being there two or three days he said. "I would like to know where the mare was"; he said "My boots are bad, you or your brother can go if you choose" ;my brother went and got the mare ; the prisoner rode the mare one Sunday evening to the racecourse and rode her away from my place ; when he left on the 17th March my brother said to him "'You are hard up Dick", I'll buy the mare if you want to sell her ;he replied "I will not sell her", to this he said he had bought her for 15s ; my brother offered him 20s, but he would not take it, I wrote a letter for Rex, to Mr. Tobin at his dictation, the letter was marked B, and he received the latter marked A. in reply. The prisoner asked no questions. Charles Winsper, on oath states, I am a miner at Crudine, I know the prisoner, I remember my brother engaged the prisoner about the 9th of March to train a couple of racehorses. I was present at Hammond's when he engaged him, the prisoner was at my brother's two or three days when he asked him to go and look for the mare, I went for the mare, I had seen her once before, I found her at Spring Creek, about three miles from my brother's place, on the side of the road, she was sore-footed, I took her to the prisoner who remained at my brother's till after the 17th of March ; when he left he rode the mare away from the place, she has received the sore back since that time. I put some slippers on the mare at prisoner's request. I saw the, mare now in the Court-house yard, she is the same mare that I shod, I offered to buy her from the prisoner, he would not sell her, he said the mare was bought for 15s, but did not say who bought her. The prisoner said she did not rightly belong to him and that when he got work he intended to take her back again, he did not tell me where he got her from or who she belonged to. Prisoner asked no questions, and was then committed to take his trial at the Quarter Sessions to be holden at Bathurst on Monday 1st August next. (At that sitting he was found guilty)

19-05-1891 NA FUNERAL. THE Friends of Mr. JOHN McKINNON are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved SON (John Donald), to move from his Residence, Limekilns, on wednesday (tomorrow) morning, at 10 o'clock, passing through Bathurst at 2.30 p.m. WM. SAWYER, Junr. Undertaker. William & Howick st.

27-08-1891 NA WANTED, A MARRIED COUPLE, without encumbrance. Man to milk twice daily, and to attend and feed pigs and poultry. Apply by letter, stating terms, to F. H. HARRISON. Limekilns, near Peel.

30-12-1891 BFPMJ Forfeited Conditional Leases. The following conditional leases have been declared forfeited. The representative of the late Jeremiah McEvoy, Limekilns, 81 acres, county Roxburgh, parish Jesse.

25-02-1892 BFPMJ Accident. The son of Mr. Thomas Brooks, of the Limekilns, whilst riding home yesterday fell from his horse, dislocating his arm at the elbow. He was at once conveyed to the Bathurst Hospital and the injury attended to by Dr. Kirkland.

11-07-1892 B F P Killed by a Falling Tree. MAGISTERIAL INQUIRY.

On Saturday last a magisterial enquiry was held at the Rising; Sun Hotel, Limekilns, before the police magistrate (Mr. J. B. Graham, district coroner), touching the death of James Willis McAndrew, a gardener, who was killed on Thursday last by tree falling upon him. Catherine McAndrew, widow of deceased, deposed that about four o'clock on Thursday afternoon her husband was cutting down a tree near to his house, his little child, who was in his company, ran to witness and told her that father was under the tree, and that he would not speak, witness at once went out, and saw her husband lying on the ground with the limb of a tree on his neck, this was the tree he had been falling, he was quite dead, and was black in the face and down his neck, witness lifted him up, and put a pillow under his head, she ran to the hotel and told Mr. Tobin what had happened. Deceased was 38 years old, and a native of Scotland, had been married five years, and had two children, he had no property, was employed by Mr. Samuel Taylor, whose estate he was managing, he was a sober, industrious man, and enjoyed good health. Charles Ciain McAndrew, a child four years of age, being too young to understand the nature of an oath, in a statement to the effect that he was with his father in the paddock on Thursday, his father chopped down a tree and when it fell it struck his father and knocked him down, the child spoke to him, but he could get no answer, and he ran home and told his mother, there was nobody else with deceased when the accident happened, Samuel Tobin, son of the publican at Limekilns, deposed that on Thursday afternoon he heard Mrs. McAndrew calling out and they ran to her, she was in great distress, and from what she said witness understood that her husband had been killed , witness and his brother went to the spot and found deceased lying on his back with his head on a pillow. 5 broken limbs of the tree were lying round the body, with some portion pinning it to the ground, the body was warm. They removed the body to the house, deceased was a quiet, sober, hard working man.

Sergeant McDonnell deposed that on receipt of a message from Limekilns, he rode out from Bathurst, he saw deceased's body at the house, there were injuries to the head, the skull was smashed from the top of the head to the poll of the neck, there was also a wound on the left of the throat, witness saw the place where the accident was said to have occurred where he found a dead tree, very recently fallen, the limbs of which were broken from the trunk ; underneath this there was a quantity of blood, an axe was lying near to the tree, which was about thirty yards from the house occupied by deceased, in witness' opinion the injuries to the body were sufficient to cause instantaneous death, and could have been caused by a tree falling on him as described by witnesses; witness did not know deceased previously.

Finding that deceased came to his death by being accidentally killed by a tree falling on him.

28-09-1892      BFPMJ   Police Court. (Before the Police' Magistrate.)   Summons Cases.  
ASSAULT, Henry Melton V   Patrick. Chifley.

Defendant was charged with assaulting complainant. A cross case of assault between these parties was also called. Mr. McIntosh appeared for Melton and Mr. Kenny for Chifley. Henry. Melton, farmer, of Limekilns, deposed that defendant was a neighbour of his; on the 21st instant I was ploughing in my paddock between 10 and 11 o'clock in the morning, Chifley rode up the road and dismounting, he came into the paddock and said to me 'You   rogue, you , thief, you are eating all my grass'. I said I was not a grass eater but that if he did up his fences there was nothing of mine which would eat his grass, he then said, 'Here is a piece of paper', I told him I did not want any paper and turned to take hold of my plough, he then struck me with his whip he had in his hand, and cut and bruised my neck. I tried to knock his whip out of his hand, but could not do so, and ran for my own whip which was close to my horses, I struck him over his shoulder and he then caught hold of me and tried to throw me. I closed with him, and we both fell after a struggle, there were some stones on the ground, and his head struck these, he then caught me by the collar and tried to throttle me, I got loose and he afterwards got up, when I saw that his head was bleeding, he let a yell out of him like a madman and ran towards my house. I fastened my horses together and ran after him, when I got to the yard my wife, daughter and a Mrs. Johnson were there. I ordered him to go out of my yard, and when in the road I told him like a man to tell the truth about the affair to my wife and Mrs. Johnson; he said nothing but, that he had me now. I broke his whip when in the paddock, he ran back to the paddock and stole my whip, we have not been friends for some time; when any sheep go into his land he goes on like a madman. I never go to him because of this. To Mr. Kenny: The whip you have in your hand, is the one he took, is it in the same condition now as it was then, the other whip might be the one he had. I broke the handle, I cannot account for the blood being on my whip, I did not hit him on the head. To Mr. McIntosh. He has had possession of the whip ever since.

For the defence, Patrick .Chifley, deposed. On the day in question I went to the paddock, where I saw Melton, to serve a notice for trespass on him, I told him I had taken the sheep home and he was not content to eat all my grass at the back, but they must go to the front , he called me a----- liar and made an attempt, to strike me, I had a small whip, in my, band and struck n him over the shoulder; I did not try to get away, but he turned back to his plough, got his silver-mounted whip and struck me on the head, we then closed, and I fell on top, I was stupid from the effects of the blow, and he got me under. I then struggled with him and if he was scratched it was then, he then broke the handle of my whip. I was bleeding before I fell. I then went to his house and showed his wife that I was bleeding. I came into the doctor's that day. To the, Police .Magistrate : I went in to serve him with a notice ;I thought it was better to serve it this way, I believe he hit me first before I struck him with the whip.

To Mr. McIntosh : I know he meant to strike; I did not go there to fight him ;I threw him after we closed, and I brought him over me, I swear he fell first.

The Police Magistrate said that he believed the evidence for the prosecution. Instead of going away Chifley struck Melton with the whip, and thereby commenced the fight. He was satisfied Chifley was responsible for the fight which followed. He went into the paddock of a man with whom he was not friends, and, in order to protect himself he struck Melton. The assault would not have happened but for his conduct; the question was whether Melton had used more than ordinary force. He was under the impression he had struck Melton on the head .It was a case that might well have been settled outside as both were to blame. He fined Chifley 10s, with costs of court and professional expenses. He was not satisfied that unnecessary violence was used and dismissed the information against Melton.

13-10-1892      BFPMJ There have been several drives out here lately. The veteran shot of the district, Mr. J. Schofield, organised one a few weeks ago, but unfortunately the flood prevented him from carrying it out to its three days' conclusion. During 2½ days 450 wallabies, etc. were destroyed, of which number Mr. Schofield contributed 50. A hare drive was also held at Mr. Harrison's, Limekilns, on Eight-hour Day, when 120 were shot. Notwithstanding the number that are destroyed these pests don't seem to decrease, and already their ravages can be seen only too clearly in the young crops.

15-11-1892      CLAIM FOR RENT. , Henry Melton v. Catherine McAtamauey.£48 claimed for rent due. —

Mr. Buterworth instructed by Mr. McIntosh appeared for plaintiff, Mr. Webb for defendant. The defence filed was that plaintiff's title had expired and did not exist, and they had paid the amount to the bona fide owner, £13 being paid into court in respect of another portion of the land that was plaintiffs. Mr Buterworth said that defendant could not dispute the landlord's title. He claimed that his client had leased the land from the Crown, and it rested with defendant to show that this had expired. Henry Melton, farmer, of Limekilns, deposed, I know defendant, she signed the document produced purported to be a lease from plaintiff of the Post Office Hotel and premises at Wattle Flat, the lease expiring in July 1891, plaintiff paid the rent up to July 1891, and since then has remained in possession, has not paid me any rent since, she is a widow. To Mr. Webb, cannot say when I first leased it, she has been living there for ten or eleven years, but until two years ago no written lease was given. Mr. Webb asked on what title he held the land. Mr. Buterworth objected as the title was in writing. His Honor overruled the objection. To Mr. Webb; I bought the property and paid for it. I have the handwriting of the person from whom I purchased. I have three allotments there Mr. Buterworth objected to the question as to title. No defendant could ask the landlord whether his title was good or not as long as they had gone into possession of the property under the landlord. He could ask whether the plaintiff held the same title today as at the time he entered possession. In this case plaintiff would not dare ask the question. If she could show he had a bad title at this time it would be a different thing. He had proved that defendant had paid rental up to July 91, and she had remained in possession since. His Honor admitted the question while it referred to the land since the expiration of the lease in July, 1891.To Mr, Webb. I always thought I owned this property because I paid for it. I have three allotments

adjoining. I have Government deeds for this land, until the land was recently surveyed I thought the hotel land was mine. Mr. Blackett, the surveyor, intimated to me that it was on Crown lands. Mr. Butterworth again objected to this line of evidence, and quoted authorities to show Unit no question of title could be raised under tenancy of this kind. His Honor admitted that there were difficulties in a case of this kind, but it seemed to him that evidence should be admitted showing a question of the landlords title after the expiration of the tenancy. If a tenancy existed alter 31st July 1891, the contention as to title could not be entertained. Cross examination continued : The stables and outbuildings are on my purchased property, all but the bar and the house, I have a title at the present time to the house ,as I bought it standing on the property, in my opinion I have a good title. To Mr. Butterworth: I last saw defendant on 31st August last, and she has not made any proposal to me to pay the rent. To Mr. Webb. In December I served a notice on defendant of the termination of her lease, but cannot exactly say what the terms of the notice were, it may have been a notice to quit. I gave it to her because she told me a lie, it was 18 months or two years ago that the surveyor told me that the house was on Government land. I had never heard that before; I have since taken steps to secure a title, the rent has been paid up to July 1891, defendant has not ever since refused to pay rent, I applied for it in August last and she then said 'I have no money, and will pay no rent'. I asked her why and she said 'I know it is your property, but I will pay no rent', she did not say 'I know it Was your property' I have not applied for rent and marked out this block among other. Catherine McAtamaney, defendant, admitted having held a lease from plaintiff up to July 31st 1891, and paid rent up to the end of that time, she had not paid any since, although he had applied for it, he said 'I suppose you think the place is not mine ?' and witness replied 'Yes, the place was yours;' he asked witness to give him a pro note for the amount, but she refused, witness had since taken out a business license for the land and had paid constable Fagan the fee, the portion of the property for which she had paid money into Court. 'His Honor said that defendant had not shown that there was not a continuance of tenancy, and she had never set up an adverse title to the landlord. He therefore found for plaintiff — £35 in addition to the amount paid into Court.

15-12-1892      BFP MJ PICNIC PARTIES.      We recently visited the orchard of the Messrs. Malaquin Bros., at the Benglin Caves, Limekilns. The name has recently been changed to "La Borde". The orchard stands about half-a-mile off the main road, almost opposite Tobin's public house. At the time we visited the grounds there was a splendid show of fruit, and the country around looked beautiful. The caves are an attraction, and, the Messrs. Malaquin were opening the mouth, so that visitors might more easily get into them, and reach the river, which passes through the bottom, about half a mile below the mouth of the cave. The Messrs. Malaquin are prepared to make things comfortable for visitors. Arrangements can be made for refreshments by waiting a few days before going. It was their intention to make a small charge, to include fruit, for admission to the grounds and cave. By starting early, one could get a pleasant day at La Borde. Any persons thinking of going so far would do well to write at once, informing the Malaquin Bros. the number they desire to take, and arrange for dinner, tea, &c, there. A very pleasant time should be spent

17-04-1893      Licensing Court. (Before the Police Magistrate and Dr. Bassett, J.P.) Renewal. The application of Thomas Tobin, of Limekilns, for a renewal of his license was granted.

Transfer. Charles Jones, executors in the estate of the late Mrs. McAtamaney, of the Post Office Hotel, Wattle Flat, applied for a transfer of the license to Frederick Dowling. Application granted.

02-09-1893      BFP MJ The Marble Industry.      Mr. J. Bump, stonemason, who has the contract from Government for quarrying marble from the new quarry at Fernbrook, Limekilns, yesterday brought into town a block of splendid marble, weighing about 30 cwt. This will be worked up at the gaol for use in Government buildings. It is said by experts to be equal to the best imported article.

08-09-1893      Bathurst Free Press      A Trip to the Limekilns.      (By 'One of Us.')

At the present time marble is the topic of conversation, both in town and country, and hearing so much about it we were anxious to see for ourselves the place where it was obtained, so availed ourselves of the opportunity one fine day last week to visit the Limekilns. The drive from Bathurst was all that could be desired, indeed we were a gay little party as we drove along under the warm rays of old Sol, admiring the hills and valleys, made beautiful by the warm breath of spring. In due time we reached the "Rising Sun Hotel", kept by Mr. Thomas Tobin, and were soon enjoying a delightful repast, for the mountain air had given us a very good appetite. Mr. Tobin very kindly answered our numerous questions re the marble quarry, locality, etc., and showed us some beautiful specimens, which were polished by one of his sons Mr. James Tobin (I cannot vouch that all the specimens were done by this son, for I discovered after that they were all adepts in the art, even the youngest, a bright little lad, was engaged at the time polishing a piece of dark gray marble). But to return to the specimens, they were very beautiful, some red, some gray, of lighter and darker shades, while some were a mixture of all shades of red and gray, and one piece of black was strikingly pretty. We were also shown some pendants for watch-chains, made from a piece of rough stone by the Messrs. Tobin which reflects great credit on their polishing abilities. Then we were joined by some members of Mr. Tobin's household who kindly undertook to "show us round" the different places where the marble is to be obtained. Most of the places are within an easy distance of the hotel, and then we proceeded along the Palmers Oaky road to the place where Mr. Burns took the marble from last week and which the Colonial Architect pronounced "high class." Hugh masses of marble jutting out met our eyes on all sides, and from these we broke off several pieces with which to try our hands at polishing in our leisure hours. After a good look around we wended our footsteps once more to the 'Rising Sun' hoping that on our next visit we would see the marble quarry in "full swing"

I must not forget to mention about the "Marble Dog" and no doubt my readers will ask " Whatever is that ?" So I must explain. A few days before our trip to the Limekilns, Mr. James Tobin who has charge of the "Ben Glen" Caves discovered what appears to be a petrified dog of the greyhound species. It is very natural-looking, but is minus the legs

and tail. Looking at it from a distance one would imagine it was alive. The tip of the nose, ear, eye, and bones in the side are quite plain; in fact it is quite a curiosity, and visitors to the Limekilns will do well not to miss seeing the "Marble Dog" We spent some time at the "Ben Glen" Caves, and Mr. Tobin pointed the fossil in the rock which was pointed out by the Rev. Father Curran who with other gentleman visited "Ben Glen" A great deal of money has been expended on the vineyard and orchard with the coming season there should be an abundance of fruit. Once more we turned our faces to the "Rising Sun" but this time it was to prepare for our departure to the "City of the Plains" and we left the Limekilns carrying with us memories of our trip, and the kind Mr. Thomas Tobin and his family to we wish "health wealth and prosperity"

04-10-1893 BFP MJ SAD ACCIDENTS AT A HAREDRIVE.

A gloom was cast over the Flat yesterday evening when news was brought in that Mr. James Reilly had met with an accident at the hare drive at the Limekilns.

A party numbering about 35 left Wattle Flat early in the morning, and proceeded to the Limekilns, and Paling Yards to enjoy a good day's sport. Everything passed off very pleasantly, including the lunch, which was prepared by the young ladies who accompanied the party, until about 3 o'clock, when Mr. John Moyle received a shot in the eye. Accompanied by Mr. Tom Reilly he left the drive and rode as quickly as possible to Sofala to the doctor. And just as the shooters and drivers were getting ready for the last drive the sad accident to Mr. James Reilly took place. He was walking in front of his son Mr. Willie Reilly when by some means or other the latter's gun went off, shooting his father in the leg just below the knee. The leg was dreadfully shattered, the piece being completely blown away. A buggy was at once procured, and the sufferer brought home. Dr. Edmunds arrived soon after twelve o'clock, and found it necessary to send for Dr. Hurst to perform an operation. Mr. George Foster at once started for Bathurst, and Dr. Hurst reached Wattle Flat at 7 o'clock this morning, and the operation was performed successfully, the injured limb being taken off above the knee. The sufferer is now progressing favourably. The greatest sympathy is felt for Mr. Reilly, who is an old and respected resident of this place, and has a large family. This hare-drive had been looked forward to with great pleasure for some weeks, and among the promoters was Mr. Willie Reilly, who had entered into the day's amusement heart and soul. Only a few minutes before he noticed one of the shooters a boy carrying his gun in a dangerous position, and told him to be careful how he carried it. He had only walked a few yards when his own gun went off, with the terrible result stated. Great sympathy is expressed for Mr. Willie Reilly, who is so great a favourite with all who have the pleasure of knowing him. Mr. John Moyle's injury is more serious than was at first thought, and it is feared he will lose his sight altogether.

10-10-1893 BFP MJ The Limekilns Marble. Mr. Warden Smith has received the following communication from the Department of Mines, Sydney, 5th October, 1893.

Sir, With reference to your letter of the 17th August last reporting discovery of red marble at Limekilns, and suggesting that area containing same should be reserved from sale. I have the honour to inform you that a reserve embracing the land in question is about to be proclaimed at the request of the Honourable the Minister for Works, so that no further action by this department appears necessary. I have, &c, Harrie Wood, Undersecretary.'

30-11-1893 BFP FARM Sale. Messrs. F. Oakes & Co. Announce the sale on Friday at 2 o'clock, growing crop, farming implements, etc, Mr. G. Peer's farm, at the Limekilns.

09-01-1894 NA PRODUCE ITEMS. Mr. Sinclair, farmer, of Peel, informs us that he has had a very fair harvest. He sowed about four acres of oats and thinks it will result in about two tons to the acre. The plants stood about six feet six inches, which he reckoned very high, but Mr. Harrison, of Limekilns, has stated, he had wild oats growing considerably more than that.

12-02-1894 NA Reward. LOST, two HORSE-BELLS with good Straps in Rigby's Paddock at Limekilns. A reward will be given to any person that finds them and delivers them to the owner, JNO. T. BOWER, Limekilns. For further particulars apply to JNO. T. BOWER.

21-03-1894 NA A Wallaby Drive at Limekilns. A wallaby drive was held at Limekilns on Saturday last. There were six shooters and six boys driving. Mr. John Sinclair shot 9, Mr. A. Bower 10, Mr. A. Ricks 11, Mr. G. Bower; 3, Mr. W. Bower 7. Total 52.

25-05-1894 BFP MJ In the matter of Henry Melton, farmer and grazier, of the Limekilns. Single meeting. Mr. McIntosh appeared for bankrupt. Bankrupt deposed: I have filed a statement of my affairs, it is correct, and I do not wish to alter or amend it, the Bank of Australasia took possession of my farm and stock, and a sale was called but given away, was unable to get a bid, sheep that cost me 6s 3d sold from 7d to 1s 3d, cattle that cost me £5 17s 6d, sold from £1 to 25s, this was for the principal portion of the milch cows, one beast weighing 7cwt sold for 35s, some young cattle brought from 9s to 15s, and horses at 61/-, my furniture is not worth more than £5. I have a wife and nine children to support as well as the men out of the poorhouse, the agricultural machinery was sold by the Official Assignee, have never been bankrupt before, and regret that I am compelled to do so now, six months ago I owed the Bank of Australasia over £1000, I reduced this to below £480 before they seized, the bank prevented me from operating on my account, and this completely crushed me, I could have gone on right enough if they had allowed me to pay my small debts. The list of proved debts were— L. Edgley & Co., £54 3s. G. Skardon £1 17s. Bank of New South Wales £12; W. Tremain £25 5s 6d. The examination was declared closed.

14-08-1894 BFP MJ SHOCKING FATALITY. CRUSHED AGAINST A TREE.

A dreadful accident occurred on the Limekilns road on Saturday night, by which a young man named Alexander McKinnon, son of Mr. John McKinnon, J.P. of Limekilns, lost his life. The deceased left his brother's hotel at Wattle Flat at about 11 o'clock that night, for the purpose of returning home in company with Mr. Cox, schoolmaster



of Paling Yards. When about two miles from the flat at the junction of the Paling Yards Road Mr. Cox's horse got away and the deceased rode after it, intending to take it round to the Paling Yards,

Mr. Cox walking home along the main road. Mr. Cox was not alarmed at his companion not returning that night, as he thought he had continued his journey home, and he was therefore not missed until next morning, when Mr. Hugh McKinnon, upon going into the paddock found his brother's horse there. He at once made enquiries, and finding that the animal had returned home through the night riderless, he set out to look for his brother, and found him lying dead near the road not far from the junction where he had left Mr. Cox. It is supposed Mr. McKinnon's horse ran him against a tree, killing him instantly. His face and head were much bruised. The body was taken to Wattle Flat, where a coroner's inquest was held this morning at the Star Hotel, and the jury returned a verdict of accidental death. The family of Mr. John McKinnon have passed through a great amount of trouble recently, both through loss and death, and the utmost sympathy is felt for them in this last blow they have sustained.

14-08-1894      **BFPMJ FUNERAL.**      THE friends of Mr. JOHN MCKINNON (Limekilns) are respectfully invited to attend the funeral of his late beloved son, ALEXANDER WILLIAM, to pass through Bathurst from Sofala TUESDAY (to-morrow), at 2.30.W. S. HODGE, Funeral Furnisher and Undertaker, Keppel-street, Bathurst.

08-09-1894      **BFPMJ**      Dead Infant Found. Yesterday the dead body of an infant was found in a lane leading to Mr. Jacob Knights' farm near Limekilns. The body was that of a child not fully matured. It was in a box buried about six inches under the ground and near a briar bush. The police were informed and an enquiry will be held.

27-09-1894      **SO-CALLED MISLEADING MINING REPORTS.** (To the Editor of the B.F.P

Sir, There is no doubt that Mr. R. M. Binning must have altered his opinion of the Palmer's Oakey goldfield very quickly, and that his letter to the Bathurst Times required more thought than that he seems to have given, as (for instance) he told Mr. J. Tobin, hotelkeeper at the Limekilns, Bathurst road, that his and his brother's claims were; yielding from five to eight pennyweights to the dish, and that he would not take £500 for his share. Unfortunately, I did not see any such prospects. When a person writes to a circulating paper, in my opinion, he should write facts. Now, Mr. B. M. Binning never saw the nugget described as being the shape of a broad bean at all, let alone taking out of the sluice. The said nugget was got by the Messrs. Taylor, who had denied ever showing it to the person above mentioned. The nugget that he saw after being weighed was got by the Messrs. Curtis and weighted within a trifle of an ounce, and they deny his seeing it taken out of the sluice. What folly for an individual to reckon that he knows what every miner gets or what gold storekeepers buys. Is it feasible that they will make it their business to show their earnings every week ? The claim that the ounce piece was taken from, instead of being a duffer is, I am credibly informed, looking better than when the nugget was got. Re Messrs. Murphy's and Wright's claims, there are five men working the claims, and if there is only one man's claim between the two parties it is and has been rather rich to have even yielded 25 shillings per man per week since Christmas, and the five men most have done very little work not to have worked it out yet, for they are still working it. Messrs. Wilson Bros, are in hopes of doing well now that the weather is more favourable. They got over an ounce last week, one piece weighing; 7 pennyweights, also Messrs. Slade and Byers are doing very well at present. Mr. James Tobin informed me last week that he and his son (only a youth) made £11 in three weeks eight miles up the creek, and only left through there being too much water. I conjecture that I am the storekeeper alluded to, and can prove that I bought the gold, but owing to circumstances which reduces other storekeepers as well as myself I am unable to keep gold for seven weeks as I have to turn it into money long before that. Mr. A. James just informs me that he and his mate have made over £1. 5s per week per man for over three months in a claim that the Messrs. Binnings reckoned was duffered out, and he says that he includes wet and dry weather. I could mention others who are doing well according to the times. From my store to where gold is to be got is 11 miles, and Mr. James Tobin told me that he could prove it. The great draw back at present is too much water, but according to the warmer season, my opinion, and the Opinion of others is that there will be payable gold got in the creek, and also in the tributaries. And another point, the gold is of a good class, but while writing this I do not advise others to come until further information. As an old miner and lover of justice, I remain, Yours, etc., CHARLES FRANCIS FRANKS. Palmer's Oakey, September, 25th, 1804

20-10-1894      **BFPMJ** To Dairymen, Agriculturists, Graziers, Investors, and Others.

**IMPORTANT SALE of "Dulcis Vale Estate", LIMEKILNS, ONE OF THE Best Improved Freehold Properties IN THE WESTERN DISTRICT, Containing 1260 Acres of Rich Black Soil Flats and Low Chocolate Ridges, PERMANENTLY WATERED IN ALL SEASONS. BEAUTIFUL BRICK RESIDENCE & Outbuildings**

**E H. TAYLOR & CO.** have received instructions from the Owner(who is leaving the colony), to Sell by **PUBLIC AUCTION, on MONDAY, November 5, AT 3 O'CLOCK SHARP** in the Royal Hotel, Bathurst,

26-10-1894      **SMH**      **IMPORTANT SALE of DULCIS VALE ESTATE LIMEKILNS,**  
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**LAND. 1260 ACRES FREEHOLD,** about 250 acres of which is rich black soil, suitable for growing Lucerne, 25 acres under Lucerne, and about 140 acres growing crop of barley, oats, and wheat, 30 acres ploughed for corn, the balance is

good agricultural and grazing land, heavily grassed, and, with the exception of about 100 acres, the whole of the timber is dead and can be easily cleared.

**STOCK.** 194 well-bred **DAIRY CATTLE**. 20 draught, light harness, and saddle **HORSES**. 100 well-bred Berkshire **PIGS**, large quantity **POULTRY**, etc

**SPLENDID DAIRY**, with plant complete. Consisting 2 large separators large chums, butter workers, cream cans, butter boxes, milk tanks, vats, etc

**MACHINERY.** 1 ¼ h.p. portable engine, 1 small engine for pumping, ploughs, harrows, scarifiers, chaffcutters, horseworks, corn-cracker, corn-sheller, winch, scales, windmills, pumps, horse shoes, iron rollers, iron rakes, wheat drill, corn drill, reaper and binder, mowing machine, earth scoop, buggy, waggonette, drays, and cart, harness, etc.

**IMPROVEMENTS.** The Homestead is a beautiful **BRICK BUILDING**, commodious and complete, comprising hall, offices, outbuildings, small orchard, beautiful garden; stabling for 10 horses, milk shed (24 bails), hayshed (140ft. long), 1 ditto(40ft). large fowl-houses, carpenters and blacksmith's shops and tools ; slaughterhouse, and winch for winding ;20 piggeries (cemented floors and yards), having all the latest improvements attached. There are also under-ground pipes laid for a distance of about 300 yards from dairy to piggeries.

The property is substantially fenced with post, two rails, and wire, and subdivided into 18 paddocks, permanently watered by three miles frontage to Diamond and Cheshire Creeks, and other creeks and springs.

All **BUILDINGS** are **COVERED WITH IRON**, and in splendid order. The whole of the improvements are first-class, and erected so as to economically and efficiently work the estate, and we have no hesitation in recommending this splendid property to persons in search of a good, sound, and profitable investment.

**TERMS OF SALE :** 5 per cent, cash deposit to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and further payment of 10 per cent on delivery; the balance may remain secured on the property, payable by three promissory notes in equal amounts of capital at 2,4, and 6 years, bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent, per annum yearly, with the option to pay off during currency of such promissory notes on giving three months' previous notice in writing.**INSPECTION INVITED.**

**( Sold to J. & W. Foord.)**

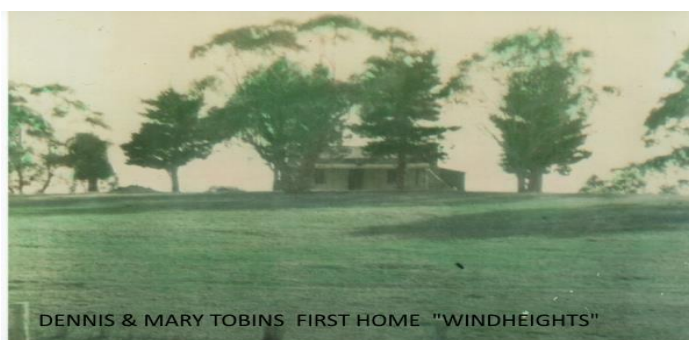
17-04-1895      **BFPMJ** Hotel License. Before the Police Magistrate and Dr. Bassett, J.P., the renewal of the license of the Rising Sun Hotel, at Limekilns, was granted. –

28-08-1895      **BFPMJ** Death at Wattle Flat.      A sad death occurred at Wattle Flat yesterday, and another severe blow fell upon the McKinnon family. Mr. Duncan McKinnon, licensee of the Star Hotel, has been ill for about a month, and a fortnight ago Dr. Machattie was in attendance upon him, but the best medical skill and most careful nursing on the part of loving friends was not sufficient to stay the course of his disease and he died early yesterday morning. Mr. McKinnon has left a widow and two young children. He has been a resident of that neighbourhood from childhood having, lived with his father, Mr. John McKinnon, J.P., of Limekilns, until his marriage and settlement at Wattle Flat. The aged parents have had a large share of trouble within the past few years. Within three years two sons have died the last being twelve months ago when Mr. Alexander McKinnon was killed while riding through the bush from Wattle Flat to Limekilns. General sympathy is felt for the bereaved family in this new trouble.

05-12-1895      **NA**      **BUGGY ACCIDENT. ON THE LIMEKILNS' ROAD.**

While driving in a buggy along the Limekilns road to Bathurst yesterday, Mrs. Sinclair, wife of Mr. Sinclair, miner, met with a painful accident. It seems that at a certain part of the road, the horse began to play up, and Mrs. Sinclair fearing that the animal would run over an embankment or into a creek near by, threw herself out of the buggy. After that she lost consciousness, and on coming to her senses, found she was suffering from severe injuries to her face and shoulders, while one of her ankles, was also hurt. In spite of these injuries she managed to walk a distance of six miles to the home of a friend, where a vehicle was procured and Mrs. Sinclair driven to Mrs. Bottrell's boarding establishment at Bathurst. Dr. Brooke Moore was called in, and it was found Mrs. Sinclair had a dislocated shoulder, besides nasty cuts on her face, and sundry bruises on her body. The injured lady was removed to the hospital. Although Mrs. Sinclair remembers nothing that occurred after she threw herself from the buggy, she surmises her clothes became caught in some way in the vehicle, the result being that she was dragged some distance. The horse, still attached to the buggy, was discovered on the road about four miles from the scene of the accident. Both horse and vehicle were uninjured.

31-10-1895      **BFPMJ** Bush Fires.— This morning long chains of fire were to be seen running along the ridges and in the gullies out Locksley way and beyond Limekilns. For several days towards nightfall the mountains have been covered in smoke.



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09-01-1896 BFPMJ Bush Fires — Dense volumes of smoke were observed rising from the bush on the mountain ranges in the direction of Limekilns, Sunny Corner, and Locksley, and in north-east also bush fires are raging.

26-02-1896 BFPMJ Cricket SUNNY CORNER v. LIMEKILNS.

The recently organised cricket' club Our Boys at Sunny Corner played its fourth match at Limekilns on Saturday, and for the third time won by one innings and runs to spare; in this match by an innings and 46 runs. At this match on Saturday Our Boys made 102 runs : Jim Doyle (41) retired, Joe Doyle (22) and Baker and Weinert 11 each. Limekilns made 18 and 38. H. Hayes (captain) was top scorer with 8.

Appended are the scores. Sunny Corner 1st Innings. James Doyle, retired 41. A. Weinert, b Haye 11 .W, Moran, b Munroe 6. Joe Doyle, b Bills 22. J. Baker, run out 4. Q. Montgomery, b Bills 8. Jno. Doyle, not out.6. B. Montgomery, b Munroe 0. J. Sunn, b Monroe 1. Sundries 3 Total .102

Limekilns, First Innings. P. Munroe, b Montgomery 1. Sinclair, b Baker 0. S. Dunsford, b Montgomery 2. A. Bex, b Baker 0. H. Hayes (cptn.) b Montgomery.3. J. Sohofield, b Montgomery 0. H. McEvoy, b Baker 0. B. Bills, not out 1, W. McEvoy, b Baker 8. Sundries.3 Total 18,

Second Innings. Bills, runout .4 Hayes, b Montgomery 8. Sohofield, b Baker 0. Hex, b Baker 0. Munroe b Montgomery.2. Sinclair, run out 6. McEvoy. not out .6. H. McEvoy, b Montgomery 5 Sundries 7 Total .48

14-03-1896 LM THE HUNT AFTER "SLIPPERY JACK. "Sergeant 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, owed 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 1cwt. 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.

31-03-1896 BFPMJ Heavy Loss.— On Saturday last the Messrs Foord Bros., dairymen, of the Limekilns, met with a heavy loss through the death of eight head of their milch cows. The animals had been turned into a paddock with others of the herd, and when about to be taken out in the evening it was found that they were dead, having been 'blown' through eating heartily of trefoil

13-04-1896      BFPMJ, Ringbarking v. Beekeeping. THE CLEAR CREEK HONEY INDUSTRY.

An application was made by Mr. James Marsden for permission to ringbark 6700 acres on his annual leases on Gold Field Reserve on Clear Creek. Bee farmers in the vicinity protested against this, and forwarded a petition in support of their objection signed by 461 residents of Peel, Limekilns, Kelso, Bathurst and places other in the immediate vicinity. The petition set forth that the land was covered with valuable timber suitable for fencing and building and is only 12 miles from Bathurst to which place the timber is brought. The land is surrounded by a number of small settlers who keep teams and earn their living through cutting and carting timber. Three bee farmers are settled in the centre of the land whose bees are dependent on the trees. Other settlers also make their living partly by beekeeping. All the trees are good honey producers. If the land was ring barked it would only carry a few more hundred sheep, while on the other hand it would result in the loss of thousands of pounds worth of valuable timber to Bathurst and district. It would also force the families to leave their homes and find suitable places elsewhere. Mr. Kenny appeared on behalf of the objectors. Josiah Ebenezer Taylor, of Cowra, beekeeper, deposed : I have a bee farm at Clear Creek ; I established that about 16 months since ; before doing so I wrote to the holders of Annual Leases in question who offered no objection to my starting; I have expended £200 on the business; if I had thought that the lessee had any intention of ring-barking the land I should not have thought of starting ; much of the timber on the reserves has commercial value, and it ranks as good honey producers ; if the timber is killed indiscriminately I will have to shift my bees ; I have been over most of the land referred to in Mr Marsden's application ; it is generally very rough and poor, but on the creek there is fair land ; there are three other bee-keepers beside myself on the leased land and all settlers about there keep them ; I employ a man on the farm ; in an average season the yield of honey would be about 15 tons from 120 hives ; the timber on the land would provide means of livelihood for 20 families in beekeeping ; I selected the site of my operation at Clear Creek for reason of the suitability of the vicinity for bee-keeping ; from a large tree in bloom bees would collect as much honey as from an acre of garden laid down in flowers ; the honey flow is from September to April, and white gum is giving honey now ; the white and yellow box timber may be classed as the most valuable for honey purposes ; a shrub like white thorn gives very good honey, but its growth is limited ; some of his annual leased land has been ringbarked ; I can get £25 per ton clear of carriage.

To Mr. Marsden : I do not know the length of the water frontage to this land the next bee farmer to me is Hancock's, and he is three miles distant.; I spoke to you about him being so close to me ; the greater the distance between the two farms the better; they should be two miles apart; he has about five hives ; do not know how many bee farms are on the land ; after I complained to you they took up another lease ; do not know that they wanted to get on your private land ; it is necessary to have permanent water ; known of no other permanent water than Clear Creek, on Government property ; there is about three miles between the creek and the boundary of your private land

To the Board : I have had four tons of honey if I had been there two months before I could have had 10 tons, the association now estimate that £2 per acre would be a fair rental for this forest land ; a good deal of this 6000 acres is ringbarked ; I have got as close as I can to the town, but I had to pass through ringbarked country ; I had nothing to do with the petition, but I would have signed it if I had been there ; the wood carters get timber from the land to bring to Bathurst, if the timber was left un-rung it would improve my business ; do not know much about timber, but can talk about bees ; cannot say what effect ring-barking has had on the grass for feeding sheep ; I drove a man this week through a paddock in the vicinity which had been ring-barked and he remarked that the grass was no better through ring-barking. .

To the Board : It was Mr. Dulhunty's land. Mr. Dulhunty : If I had not ring-barked that land it would not carry half a sheep to the acre. When I took the land six years ago 3000 sheep were running on 9500 acres ; now I have 9000 sheep on the same area. Witness : I believe I could make £2 per year per acre off that land with bees ; I could run 500 hives on two miles square ; in Cowra, where the timber is not so thick, I can make 30 tons of honey from 150 hives.

William Henry Rivett, wheelwright, of Kelso, deposed that he used a good deal of local timber in his trade, principally oak ; if there was a sawmills I would use a great deal more ; we would use red gum, box, and stringy bark, but it is too expensive to cut without machinery ; get the chief supply of oak from Clear Creek; have used more out of that Creek than all the others put together ; look upon red and white box as very valuable timber, one of the most valuable in the district.

To Mr. Marsden : I know as much about Clear Creek as any one ; there is river oak and red box out there ; there was a sawmills once there; do not get supplies from there now as there are no mills there.

To the Board : Get the timber now out of the district.

To Mr. Kenny : It would be a crying shame to ring-bark timber in the vicinity ; if it was ring barked it would spoil the country for sure.

William Atcheson, of Limekilns, deposed that he knew the property leased by Mr Marsden ; witness is a timber getter, and gets supplies on Clear Creek; for twenty years he got it from no other country than that leased by Mr. Marsden ; he gets stringy bark, red box and gum ; if this was ring-barked it would interfere with witness materially ; others would also be affected ; there is a good deal of timber now fit to split, while a good deal of young timber is coming on ; if ring-barked it would be useless for his purposes.

To Mr. Marsden : The only permanent water is on Clear Creek ; the last timber I got was from Clear Creek ; it is not very much picked; I have gone to Tobins' paddock for timber ; I have not got timber for five years.

Alexander Wilson, of Dark Corner, deposed that there is timber on Mr. Marsden's land ready for splitting and other trees are growing up., and will be available in a few years.

To Mr Marsden : There are no bee farms between your land and Sunny Corner ; the bees will not live up there, the winter is too cold and long.

To the Board : Five or six families get their living by timber getting on the creek. William Mueller, beekeeper, deposed that he also lived on this land; before commencing his farm he consulted Mr. Marsden who raised no objection ; he and Mr Handcock had spent £200 in buildings, etc., on the land and were living there ; the country is very suitable for the industry ; have only ten hives there yet ;if the timber is ringbarked we would have to leave ; the reason we took the land there was because of permanent water ; there are several beekeepers in the vicinity ; if the land was fully stocked with bees £4000 worth of honey could be procured ; it would carry 2000 hives ; fifteen or sixteen men could work the bees ; if he had thought the country was to be ringbarked he would not have settled there ; keepers have frequently to move from one place to another because of ringbarking ; when in full work I could establish 200 hives, and could work them with the assistance of a boy at one part of the season ; the honey is of first class quality in this district ; if the trees were ring-barked a loss to the country would be sustained, as well as to individuals.

To the Board : The land is not usually well grassed.

To Mr. Kenny : The country is more valuable for bee-farming than sheep.

To the Board : Have been there twelve months.

To Mr. Marsden : There is any quantity of land available for the purpose , half a mile is sufficient space between farms.

In support of the application, James Marsden deposed : I am applicant in this case ; the chief timber is gum, box, mountain and river oak ; the only permanent water on the land is in Clear Creek, with a frontage of four miles ; two of the beekeepers had permission to water their stock on my private land as their supply ran out ; the timber has been picked over and there is no good left ; have had the lease about 18 months ; have seen people bringing timber from the land ; 3000 sheep have been running on this land and my own private property : if the timber was ring-barked the land would carry double the number of sheep ; for the purpose for which I use the land the rent is high, and my object in ring-barking is to improve its value ; I would willingly sell to the beekeepers if they want it ; hundreds of thousands of acres are ring barked about there; it is private property, but that on Government land has not been barked.

To Mr. Kenny : The carrying capacity of 6700 acres is 1500 sheep ; the expense of ring-barking would be 9d. per acre ; I would not ring-bark indiscriminately; only suitable spots would be ring barked and the greatest portion would be furthest from water ; would not do more than 200 acres on which there is good timber ; would leave the red gum ; I would like to thin the white gum ; it grows well over the land ; it is not my experience that there is abundance of good splitting timber ; I am now paying about £60 a year for the annual lease ; the greatest part of the c.p.is ring-barked and all the freehold ; the ring-barking I wanted to do would improve the other timber as well as give growth to white clover and other flowering herbage ; I have no intention of barking the oak ; it would be a benefit to the beekeepers.

J. S. O'Hara, Inspector of Conditional Purchases, deposed that he inspected the land in question ; there are different kinds of box, stringy-bark, gum, with oak, apple, and a mixture of other kinds; all the good timber has, been thinned out, but it is growing again ; it would be hard to define what timber should be left un-rung ; I think six trees to the acre should be left for timber purposes ;in a lot of the stoney country the timber is small ; a lot would not be worth ringing , if the best land was rung the carrying capacity would be doubled ; did not notice what trees were in flower when I inspected.

To Mr Kenny :. The ringbarking would interfere with bee keeping and practically destroy the property for their purpose , the ridges have a variety of timber , they are valuable to the beekeeper ; the flat land is nearer the water.

Josiah Ebenezer Taylor was recalled : I and my son hold two acres on business license ; I live at Cowra but travel backward and forward looking after both places; it would be out of the way to get to the Glanmire Estate for bee farming ;this difficulty would still exist ; one of the chief difficulties beekeepers have is the ring barking; it would pay the Government better to reserve land for bee-keepers who would pay more for the use of the trees than graziers use for the land ; I would be prepared to pay what Mr Marsden now pays for the exclusive right of the trees ; this would not interfere with Mr Marsden.

Mr. Kenny, in addressing the Board, said, this matter was one of considerable importance not only to these concerned if this case but others concerned in bee farming. The decision would form a precedent for other cases and this was doubly important. The industry was in its infancy, and if the permission applied for was granted it would tend to crush if out of existence. This was shown by evidence, Mr. Taylor, in his cross examination had disclosed a very important fact, and that was that he was agreeable to pay £60 for the trees alone. This lease would not interfere with the present leases held by applicant, but would actually be an additional sum paid to the Crown. It would, of course be impossible for any one person to get the exclusive use of the trees as other bee-farmers could come in and swamp him out, but in time this difficulty would be overcome when parliament legislated on the question. If a law was passed dealing with this it would prove a valuable asset to the Crown. Unless something was done the industry would be prejudiced and ultimately languish. Not only in this case did the decision of the Board apply, but in whatever part of the country the industry was started the apiarists would be subject to the same trouble. The result of indiscriminate ring-barking was that the beautiful forests were being destroyed. Evidence in this case showed that it would be far better to keep these intact, as by this means a double source of income was established. The importance of this was to be seen more and more every year. If this new industry was to be met at every turn with difficulty it would not be a success. In addition to this they had the question of timber, which, it was shown, was used extensively. Experts in this industry asserted that this particular district was peculiarly well adapted to this industry. Many had already come from a distance, and expended large sums of money there, while many others had expressed their intention of settling there this year. The Board were bound to conserve the interests of the Crown by protecting the timber, and seeing that no injury was done. Mr. Marsden



had taken up the land as it was in its natural state, and by now ring-barking he would affect not only a valuable industry, but an asset to the Crown. He had no doubt that in a very short time there would be legislation which would affect the matter. The Board said they had carefully considered the question, and the decision they would give would not affect the bee farmers. In granting permission to ringbark they would place restrictions which would preserve the rights of the beekeepers.

They decided to allow applicant to ring-bark 3000 acres with the following restrictions. The operations to be distributed over such an area as lease might decide. The restrictions will cover river and mountain oaks and such as are useful for building and shade. An average of three trees to be left on each acre, and these can be left in clumps. Three chains on either side of the Clear Creek to remain un-rung. We understand that an appeal is to be made against this decision.

07-12-1896 BFP MJ Mining: At Haigney's Reef, Bullock Flat, work has been resumed. The company has erected winding and pumping plant, and work will be in full swing in the course of a few days. Very rich stone has been struck at Sinclair's Reef. Limekilns, as high as 80oz to the ton having been got. The ground is being pegged out all round.

05-04-1897 NA POWDER EXPLOSION. LAD SERIOUSLY INJURED.

On Saturday afternoon a very painful accident occurred at Limekilns to Ernest Sinclair, a 16 year old son of Mr. Alfred Sinclair. It appears that he was making preparations to go out shooting, and having no gun powder, he proceeded to pound up some blasting powder in a dolly. The powder exploded, burning him about the face, head, and hand, with which he held the pestle. He was immediately conveyed to town, and the services of Dr. Brooke Moore obtained. The doctor speaks encouragingly of the patient. The unfortunate lad has been working amongst powder all his life, and it was considered by his parents thoroughly safe in his hands.

06-04-1897 BFP MJ The Limekilns Driving Club held a very successful hare and wallaby drive on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> inst., which concluded with a grand social at Mr. T. Tobin's, on Friday evening. Sixteen shooters and 15 drivers took part. Game was rather scarce, which accounts for the small number 215 destroyed in the two days. A. Rex with 27, T. Morris 25, E. White 25, W. Hodges 22, and W. White 21 were the principal scorers. The cooking and catering was under the management of Mrs. Atcheson, and reflects credit upon her ability, as it was all that could be desired. After the drive all adjourned to Mr Tobin's and after doing ample justice to the good things, dancing was indulged in and kept up until 6 a.m, when all took their departure well pleased.

26-05-1897 NA It is reported that Mr. R. O. Keer, the one-time popular proprietor of the Limekiln estate, died last week while on his way to the Westralian goldfields. Mr. Keer was a partner with Holterman and Byers in the famous Hill End mine in the early days.

13-07-1897 BFP MJ A Fox.— There was yesterday brought in from the Limekilns to the scalps office by Mr. T. Tobin the skin of what was supposed to be a native dog, but which Mr. Smith, Stock Inspector and Secretary to the Board, declares is undoubtedly the skin of a fox, to which some native dogs bear a resemblance. The animal was secured by means of a poisoned bait set for dingoes. Some time ago it was reported that a fox had been seen in the Oberon district, but this is the first of the Reynard family that has been captured in this part of the country

23-09-1897 BFP MJ MONSTER Auction Sale.— (Dulcis Vale)

This is not inappropriate Heading of an advertisement by Messrs. E. H. Taylor & Co., concerning the property of Messrs. J. and W. Foord, of the Limekilns. The whole of the large estate, consisting of 1260 acres, with improvements will be offered on Tuesday next, together with 200 dairy cows, 20 horses, 100 fat sheep, 100 Berkshire pigs, 70 tons hay, with other produce and all the equipment's of the largest and best dairy farm in the district. The sale is imperative and absolute, as the owners of the property are leaving for England.

30-09-1897 NA Messrs. E. H. Taylor and Co. held a most successful sale of Dulcis Vale .Estate, the property of Messrs, Foord Brs. The property is 18 miles from Bathurst, at the Limekilns. The land brought £2/1s per acre, and was purchased by Mr. Rankin, of Braidwood, Mr. J. H. Stewart, of "The Mount", having bid £2. The stock realised high prices. The property is described as a great bargain, and many good judges value it at £5 per acre. (*Mr. Stewart became the owner.CF*)

01-11-1897 NA Mr. A. W. Stewart, son of Mr. Jas.H. Stewart of The Mount, who is an ardent cricketer, has purchased the Dulcis Vale Estate at Limekilns. Mr. Stewart has had the advantage of a thoroughly practical agricultural training in England, where he received most of his education.

04-12-1897 NA NOTICE. All Persons Trespassing on Dulcis Vale Estate (Limekilns) will be Prosecuted. All Dogs shot. poison laid. A. W. Stewart.

01-01-1898 NA WANTED A STRIPPER (wanted to rent), to Cut about 30 Acres, at once.  
Thos. Tobin, Limekilns..

03-01-1898 NA Palmers Oakey A team of Limekilns and Dark Corner cricketers met the Palmer's Oakey cricketers in a friendly game of cricket yesterday an to-day, on the latter's ground; the game resulted in an easy win for the Oakeyites. The visitors took their defeat well. C. D. Franks was top scorer. Dinner and lunch were provided by Mrs. C. F. Franks (of the Royal Hotel). A ball is to be given in aid of the cricketeron the 31st inst.

02-02-1898 NA The Orchard and Vineyard, securely fenced, at Ben Glen Caves, Limekilns, containing about 500 choice Fruit Trees, and about 1000 Grape Vines, all, planted eight years ago. For further particulars apply to Benjamin Tobin LIMEKILNS.



**SHEARING TEAM LIMEKILNS C1890**

09-02-1898 NA Match at Peel A twelve aside match was played between Peel and Limekilns cricket clubs on Saturday, 5th February, at Limekilns. The scores were : Limekilns, first innings, 24 (E. Wilkinson, not out 10) ; Peel, first innings, 40 (A. Schofield, 13, G. Brett 20); Limekilns, second innings, 39 (F. Lane. 12), Peel, second innings, 25 for five wickets. The Peel won by six wickets.

12-05-1898 NA TENDERS. TENDERS are invited for CLEARING and making ready for the Plough about 30 ACRES of LAND at the Limekilns (mostly ringbarked). No Tender necessarily accepted.  
J. EDWARDS, Dulcis Vale, Limekilns.

27-05-1898 NA FUNERAL. THE friends of Mr. THOMAS TOBIN are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE (Frances), to move from his residence, Limekilns, THIS (Friday) MORNING at 9 o'clock, reaching Bathurst at 3 o'clock, for the Catholic Cemetery. THOS. CAPLES, Undertaker, William and Piper St

31-05-1898 SMH DEATH Mr John Hume, for many years in the employ of the Council of Education, died at Limekilns on Saturday, aged 93 He taught in a school in Bathurst over 60 years ago.

16-09-1898 BT LIMESTONE CAVE AT LIMEKILNS. Geological Branch, 16 9 1898.

Sir,— In compliance with your instructions I have the honor to report on the application of W. F. Hurey, Esq., M.P. for the opening up and improving of a Limestone cave near

The Limekilns Post Office. The cave is on private property, parish of Jesse, county of Roxburgh, 17 miles N.N.E. of Bathurst. Its entrance has been improved by excavation and by the erection of a gate. The cave runs northerly for about 100 feet. It is from 8 to 15 ft. wide and from 2 to 10 feet high. At 80 feet from the entrance there is a "basin" formation. At 120 feet some small drapery formations and stalactites may be seen. There are occasional groups of broken stalactites. The formations are all dull colored and of little beauty, and in many cases have been mutilated. The cave is dirty and uninteresting, throughout. An objectionable feature is present in the shape of foul air which was met with at 225 feet. I do not think that there is anything to justify the Government in resuming the land for the purpose of improving the cave. I have indicated on a sketch here-with, the position of the cave, and also, of the limestone outcrops in some of which are the quarries in the beautiful variegated marble known as the "Fernbrook marble."

I have, &c., O. TRICKETT, Licenced Surveyor.

29-09-1898 SMH At a wallaby drive at the Limekilns on Saturday, an English fox was shot. One was destroyed about a fortnight ago near Cow Flat, indicating an increase of this pest.

06-10-1898 NA The Limekilns Driving Club held a successful two-days' hare and wallaby drive on the 23rd and 24th of last month, when about 300 animals were killed, including one pure English fox, shot by Mr. H. McKinnon. Reynard it is said, eventually to be presented to the Bathurst museum. Some very good shooting was displayed, the principal scorers being Messrs. H. McKinnon 23, W. White 19, J. Mutton 18, with the others following close, A ball and supper took place in connection with the drive on the 26th, at the residence of Mr. J. McKinnon, J.P., when about 40 couples faced the music, and a very enjoyable evening was spent. Some very pretty dresses were worn.

Mr. J. Tobin was musician, and Mr. G. McKinnon acted as M.C. Great praise is due to the hon. sec, Mr. J. Melton, and the members of the committee for the able manner in which the entire programme was carried out.

07-01-1899      BFPMJ DEATH      Mr. Patrick Chifley, sen., of Limekilns, died last night at the residence of his son, Havannah street, Bathurst. The deceased was for between 30 and 40 years a resident in the Limekilns district where he followed agricultural pursuits and was generally respected. For some years he had been a great sufferer, and in order to be more convenient to a doctor he had been staying with his son in Bathurst. His remains will be buried at Wattle Flat to-morrow and the funeral will leave Bathurst early to-morrow morning.

07-01-1899      BFPMJ FUNERAL.      THE friends of the late PATRICK CHIFLEY, Senr., of Limekilns, are respectfully invited to attend his funeral which will move from his son's residence, Havannah-street, Bathurst, on SUNDAY (TO-MORROW) 8th January, at 6 a.m., and pass through Limekilns, at 1 o'clock p.m. en route to Wattle Flat Cemetery. THOS. CAPLES, Undertaker,

19-01-1899      SMH      THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.-Probate Jurisdiction.-

In the Estate of PATRICK CHIFLEY V, late of Limekilns, in the colony of New South Wales, Farmer, deceased, intestate.-Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to PATRICK CHIFLEY, of Bathurst, in the said colony, Blacksmith, the son of the said deceased. John McPhillamy, Proctor, Bathurst. By Icton and Faithfull, his Agents, 83 Pitt Street, Sydney.

21-02-1899      BFPMJ Fashionable Wedding at the Mount.      A very fashionable wedding was celebrated at the Mount, the residence of Mr. J. H. Stewart, Mount Pleasant, at 8.80 this afternoon. The contracting parties were Mr. Albyn Stewart, son of Mr. J.H. Stewart, and Miss Florence Beatrice Landsver Morris, of Sydney. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. Kinghorn in the drawing-room, there being a large and fashionable assemblage, of guests present. The bride, who was attended by Miss R. Stewart, and Miss B. McMillan, of Sydney, was attired in a beautiful dress of rich ivory corded silk, daintily trimmed; The sleeves and yoke were of tucked Chiffon and orange blossoms. A trained skirt, trimmed with chiffon, ruche, and ribbon, finished with an elegant sash. A simple dress, but very rich, one particularly suited to the style and figure of the bride. The dress was made at B. Webb and Co.'s by Mrs. Fitzgerald., The wedding breakfast took place at 4'o clock in the large dining hall, when the usual complimentary references were made both to the bride and bridegroom. The repast was a most sumptuous one. The happy pair intend spending their honeymoon on the estate of Mr. Athol Stewart, at. The Limekilns. The bride was the recipient of many handsome and costly presents which were viewed with admiration by the guests present.

21-03-1899      NA      IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES

In the Will of PATRICK GORMAN, late of Limekilns, near Bathurst, in the Colony of New South Wales, farmer, 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 JOHN JOSEPH GORMAN the sole Executor named in the said Will. F. B. KENNY,      Proctor, Bathurst. By T. M. SLATTERY, his Agent, Sydney.

10-04-1899      NA      TO LET for 3 Years, 633 Acres LAND, at Limekilns, 70 Acres fit for Cultivation. Permanently Watered, For further particulars apply to MISS CHIFLEY, Limekilns

26-06-1899      BFPMJ Bridge at the Limekilns; A petition signed by J. Bell, J. Cooke and others urging the construction of a bridge over Limestone Cr, near Mr. Barrett's, has been sent to the Works Dep. through Mr. W. P. Crick, M.P., and is now under consideration.

22-08-1899      NA      Death for the Dogs.      Wattle Flat, Monday.      Grave complaints are rife about the large number of dogs which are being poisoned in the township and along the main road to the Limekilns. Over 20 have met their doom during the last few weeks, among them being some valuable animals. Owners are keenly on the alert for the perpetrators.

00-00-1900      The Byers of Dark Corner shared 200 acres at Limekilns with their relatives the Wilsons "*Willow Dale*" (*just to the south of the old pub*). In 1900 when young Jack Byers was born he was delicate and the family considered Dark Corner winters to be too severe for him. So they packed up and moved to Limekilns till the spring. They would get the help of Jack Bowers of Palmers Oakey with his horse and dray and walk through the Winburndale range along the Esdale Road to Limekilns. They did this each year till 1908 when they moved to Limekilns full time. It worked for young Jack, he enjoyed good health and lived till 88. The family moved to "Kelsoville" in 1926.

15-02-1900      NA      BATHURST POUND.      Impounded at Bathurst, on 31st day of January, 1900, from Limekilns, by John McEvoy, one Light Brown Light Draught Mare, branded JJ over D or JJ over B near shoulder, small star, hind feet white, pulled tail, patches of white hair on each side of the back, unshod, bump under eyes, broken, aged, about 15 hands high. If not Released will be Sold at the Pound at noon on 22nd February, E, McEVOY. Poundkeeper.

02-05-1900      NA      Mr. J. D Fitzgerald.      Amongst those admitted to the Bar on Monday, was Mr. John Daniel Fitzgerald, ex M.L.A., for West Sydney. In 1895 he contested the Bathurst election against Mr. Sydney Smith. Mr. Fitzgerald, in his early years, attended the school at Limekilns, of which his father was the principal, but qualified for his examination in Sydney.

10-07-1900      BFP      Very heavy snow, 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.

20-12-1900      SMH      Marriage.      BARNES—TOBIN.—September 18, at SS. Michael and John's Cathedral, Bathurst, by the Rev. J. O'Dowd, Arnold W. Barnes, late of London, England, to Mary, second daughter of Thomas Tobin, Limekilns,

19-01-1901      NA      Death of Mr. M. Riordan. Another old and esteemed resident has passed away in the person of Mr. Michael Riordan, who died yesterday at the residence of his son, Francis, in Lambert street, at the age of 96 years. The late Mr. Riordan had been a resident of Bathurst and the district for upwards of 65 years. He was known first as a farmer at Limekilns, afterwards embarking in business, first as a wheelwright and then as a licensed victualler. Mr. Riordan has left a family of three sons and two daughters, one of the former being Mr. Francis Riordan, a well-known and esteemed employee in the firm of Messrs. John Meagher and Co.

5-04-1901      BFPMJ      SUSPENSION OF LABOR      Hugh Shirlaw applied for suspension of labour on a quartz ridge at Quart Pot, near Limekilns. Applicant sought to get suspension of the labour conditions for four months ; he made the application on the grounds of shortage of funds ; he registered at Sofala on the same grounds on a previous occasion ; the claim was workable but he had no funds to carry on ; he had work to go to in another district; there was no reef but he was prospecting for one he had a mate, and they were sinking a shaft ; he wanted to get money by other work to carry on, but he wanted to protect the claim in the mean time. The Warden did not think that the Act meant to allow suspension under these conditions. It would open the door to many questionable transactions if this kind of thing was allowed. He would grant a month's suspension under these circumstances.

17-04-1901      BFPMJ      The thirty-ninth annual Exhibition in connection with the A. H. and P. Association opened this morning under most favourable circumstances, the weather being perfect from the holiday makers view, and most promising for record takings at the gates. There were no less than fourteen different kinds of marble from the Limekilns quarries, including two samples of the most valuable sorts in the world.

15-05-1901      BFPMJ      The friends of Mr. John McKinnon, of Limekilns, will regret to hear that he is at present suffering from a severe attack of bronchitis, and is at present confined to his room,

09-07-1901      NA      Mr. W. F. Hurley is in receipt of the following letter from the Under Sec. of the Works Dep. ' Sir, In reply to your letter of the 4th instant, asking that a maintenance man may be employed permanently upon the Limekilns-Palmer's Oakey Road (road from Kelso via Palmer's Oakey to Sofala) I have the honor to inform you it has been customary during the past six years to send a road gang of two or three men over the portion of the scheduled road between Limekilns and the Turon River whenever it was in need of attention. The traffic on the road is reported to be unimportant, averaging not more than two or three heavy loads per week and the same number of light vehicles and horsemen, and it has been found that the gang system is quite satisfactory. The gang usually includes one or two residents of Palmer's Oakey. The objection to the employment of a single man all the year round is on account of the isolated situation of the road and the great difficulty of adequate supervision. The road is stated to be in very fair order at present, but before the end of the winter it is intended to send a gang over it again. Under the circumstances it is considered inadvisable to make any change in the method of maintaining this road,'

03-08-1901      BFPMJ      Mining. At 'Solitary' the tributers have cleaned up 50 tons for about 10oz of gold. This is the poorest return that has come out of the old mine. The battery has now started on about 100 tons of stone from the North End, which promises well. Reilly's Creek Company are still crushing, also Crawford's, the latter running through rubble. Reported that H. Brailly has a good show at Red Jack Creek, near Limekilns, in a small reef, As the veins there have been very patchy, a 'good ' show cannot be relied on. At Bullock Flat a few men are making good wages, while a great number are only making bare 'tucker'.

28-08-1901      NA      A REMINISCENT PAGE OF LOCAL HISTORY.

John Pedley, who died in the hospital on the 26th inst., at the advanced age of 96, was formally in the service of the late General Wm. Stewart of 'The Mount,' and for many years past with his son, by whose family he was much regarded. He came to the colony in 1822, and coming to Bathurst soon after was employed by Mr. Geo. Innis at Yarrows, on Winburndale Creek, during which time he joined in the crusade against the blacks, who had massacred several helpless women and children in the outlying parts of the district during the absence of the male members of the families. A party of settlers was formed who rushed the blacks' camp near the Limekilns, at dawn of day, and shot down a large number, which effectually put an end to their raiding. Their graves are often, visited to this day

14-09-1901      BFPMJ      A meeting of the farmers and graziers was held here on Tuesday night last, in connection with the rabbit pest. The meeting was convened by the local Progress Committee for the purpose of obtaining the opinion of landowners and others interested in the question of rabbit extermination. Mr. Walter Neary, of Wiagdon, was appointed chairman and after some discussion the following resolution was, on the motion of Mr. James Eldridge, seconded by Mr. J. Storey, unanimously adopted. 'That this meeting of land holders and others, interested in the question of rabbit extermination, considers that in this district the dangers attending poisoning are too great to justify its adoption but that, they are agreed that all other means necessary to control the pest, such as trapping, and shooting, and burning off all harbour – and which means have already been started by most land holders should be adopted.' The universal feeling in this district, which may be said to include Limekilns, Paling Yards and Wiagdon, is that the conditions, so far as the adoption of poisoning is concerned, are altogether different from many other parts of the Bathurst district and entirely unlike the western infected areas. Here the rabbits are only in the immediate neighbourhood of farms and homesteads, and the danger to stock would be considerable apart from the fact that there would be almost certain pollution of the running streams from which the farmers draw their principal household supplies. All landholders are busy burning off all harbours. Smoke by day and bright burning fire by night are to be seen all over the lower lands at Wiagdon and Limekilns, and combined efforts in the way of monthly shooting and hunting are to be made. It is believed by the majority that these means will successfully cope with the pest in these parts, as the nature of the country hereabouts is not favourable to burrowing and the formation of large warrens. The local Committee have gone to considerable trouble to supply all district landholders with all possible information regarding

the post. Mr. W. E. Myring obtained 50 copies each of the Rabbit Act and the pamphlet issued by the Chief Inspector of Stook, entitled ' Rabbit Control and Extermination,' and sent to each. Landholder in order that all might know the best means to adopt to destroy the rabbits, and be fully alive to their obligations under the Act.

03-10-1901 SMH At a rabbit hunt on Saturday last at Limekilns, near Bathurst, 20 hunters with dogs and sticks killed 800 rabbits

22-11-1901 SMH A terrible accident occurred at Limekilns yesterday to Mr. John McKinnon, jun., a farmer. It seems that the unfortunate man was engaged with a pair of horses and a mowing machine cutting hay. He had stopped and was in front of the machine cleaning the knife, when the horses, taking fright at something, started. Mr. McKinnon was thrown on his back, was caught by the blade of the mowing machine, and was dragged a considerable distance. When rescued he was found to be terribly cut about

30-11-1901 BFP MJ Mr. Hurley, member for Macquarie. has received the following letter from the Works Department,— ' In reply to your letter of the 9th instant, further regarding the appointment of one permanent maintenance man in lieu of the flying gang system of repairing the Limekilns Palmer's Oakey road Kelso, I have the honour to inform you that a gang of three men has been employed on this road for the past eight weeks, a length of nine miles having been repaired during that time, and the whole length to Limekilns will be completed within two or three weeks from this date, after which no work will be required for at least, six months. - The Minister therefore sees no reason, to depart from the previous decision in this matter, viz.. that it is unadvisable to make any change in the method of maintaining the road in question,'

02-12-1901 BFP MJ A cricket match is on to-day at Limekilns, but the approaching storm will scatter their stumps.

23-12-1901 SMH REPORTED HIGHWAY ROBBERY. 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 clues up to the present.

21-05-1902 BFP MJ A Pretty Wedding. At All Saints' Cathedral this morning the, Very Rev, Dean Marriott officiating, Miss Evi, eldest daughter of Mr. Atcheson, Limekilns, was married to Mr. John Griffiths, of Lithgow. The bride wore a handsome dress of white silk, richly trimmed with lace, with the customary bridal wreath and veil. She was attended by Miss L. Atcheson, who wore a cream nun's veiling, with cream felt picture hat to match. In the unavoidable absence of Mr. Atcheson, the bride was given away by Mr, Donald Thain, of this city. The happy couple left for the Limekilns, where the wedding breakfast was served. The presents were large and costly. The future home of Mr. and Mrs. Griffiths will be Lithgow.

23-07-1902 BT The friends of Mr. HENRY MELTON (late of Lime Kilns) are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late dearly loved wife MARGARET, to move from Mr. J. JOHNSTON's Residence (Merembra), Tomorrow (Thursday) Morning at 7a.m. for the R. C. Cemetery, Wattle Flat, by the way of Lime Kilns, arriving about 4p.m. Mrs Wellington & Son Undertaker William Street

31-03-1903 LM ANNUAL LEASES GRANTED. Annual leases in the land district of Bathurst these have been granted as follows : —

Thomas Joseph Tobin, junr., of Fernbrook Limekilns, 1000 acres in the parish of Eskdale, at £3 2s

Patrick Tobin, Limekilns, 320 acres, parish of Jesse, at £1 13s 4d.

### 1903 AUSTRALIAN ELECTORAL ROLLS

Surname	First Names	Sex	Occupation	SubDivision	Roll Number
Bondfield	Marcella Mary	F	DD	Wattle Flat	37
Edwards	James	M	Farmer	Wattle Flat	99
Hayes	Florence	F	DD	Wattle Flat	138
Hayes	Henry	M	Miner	Wattle Flat	139
Hume	Emily	F	DD	Wattle Flat	164
Ingnam	Catherine Ferguson	F	DD	Wattle Flat	169
McKinnon	Catherine	F	DD	Wattle Flat	235
McKinnon	Ewan Peter	M	Farmer	Wattle Flat	236
McKinnon	George Busby	M	Farmer	Wattle Flat	237
McKinnon	John J.P.	M	Grazier	Wattle Flat	238
O'Rourke	Mary	F	DD	Wattle Flat	298
Roberts	Arthur John	M	Bee Farmer	Wattle Flat	321
Roberts	Elizabeth	F	DD	Wattle Flat	322
Rourke	Catherine	F	DD	Wattle Flat	325
Rourke	Emily	F	DD	Wattle Flat	326
Rourke	John	M	Farmer	Wattle Flat	324
Rourke	Thomas James	M	Farmer	Wattle Flat	329
Tobin	Dennis	M	Farmer	Wattle Flat	368



Tobin	Frederick Undercliffe McMahon	M	Labourer	Wattle Flat	369
Tobin	Margaret	F	DD	Wattle Flat	371
Tobin	Margaret, Junior	F	DD	Wattle Flat	373
Tobin	Mary	F	DD	Wattle Flat	372
Tobin	Michael	M	Farmer	Wattle Flat	374
Tobin	Patrick	M	Farmer	Wattle Flat	375
Tobin	Thomas	M	Farmer	Wattle Flat	377
Atcheson	William Robert	M	Labourer	Limekilns	1
Barnes	Arnold	M	Farmer	Limekilns	2
Barnes	Mary Josephine	F	DD	Limekilns	3
Bower	Albert	M	Labourer	Limekilns	5
Bower	Alice	F	DD	Limekilns	4
Davison	Archibald	M	Bee Farmer	Limekilns	6
Davison	Jonathan	M	Farmer	Limekilns	7
Davison	Mary Ann	F	DD	Limekilns	8
Hume	George	M	Labourer	Limekilns	9
Hume	Thomas	M	Farmer	Limekilns	10
Hume	William	M	Farmer	Limekilns	11
Kirkpatrick	Charles	M	Bee Farmer	Limekilns	12
McEvoy	Georgina	F	DD	Limekilns	13
McEvoy	John	M	Farmer	Limekilns	14
McEvoy	Patrick	M	Farmer	Limekilns	15
Seabrook	Albert	M	Bee Farmer	Limekilns	16
Shirlaw	Hugh, Junior	M	Farmer	Limekilns	17
Shirlaw	Sarah	F	DD	Limekilns	18
Sinclair	Alfred James	M	Miner	Limekilns	19
Sinclair	John Walter	M	Miner	Limekilns	20
Tobin	Alice Maud	F	DD	Limekilns	21
Tobin	Annie	F	DD	Limekilns	22
Tobin	Benjamin	M	Labourer	Limekilns	23
Tobin	Charles Edward	M	Farmer	Limekilns	24
Tobin	James, Junior	M	Farmer	Limekilns	25
Tobin	Jessie	F	DD	Limekilns	26
Tobin	John	M	Labourer	Limekilns	27
Tobin	Lawrence James	M	Labourer	Limekilns	28
Tobin	Lawrence James	M	Labourer	Limekilns	29
Tobin	Martha	F	DD	Limekilns	30
Tobin	Samuel	M	Labourer	Limekilns	31
Tobin	Thomas	M	Farmer	Limekilns	32
Tobin	Thomas, Junior	M	Labourer	Limekilns	33
Wilson	Alexander Senior	M	Farmer	Limekilns	34
Wilson	Alexander,	M	Farmer	Limekilns	35
Wilson	Janet	F	DD	Limekilns	36
Wilson	Robert	M	Farmer	Limekilns	37
Wilson	Walter John	M	Miner	Limekilns	38

*SubDivision boundary was Diamond Creek.*

07-08-1903      NA      Application for a Road.      Before the Quarter Sessions adjourned yesterday, Mr. McIntosh for Mr. Kenny, made an application to his Honor Judge Docker, under the Roads Act of 1900, for a road from the main Turon road through Mrs. Armor's property Limekilns, to James Forest Tobin's portion. The necessary plans and sketches were submitted, and the Surveyor-General was represented by Mr. Orr. James Forest Tobin deposed that originally the property was all one lot, but was willed to him by his grand father, a second portion being willed to his aunt, Mrs. Armor, No provision was made in the will for a road into applicant's portion, and about a chain was required to connect it with the main road. The application, according to the sketch, submitted, was granted.

22-01-1904      LM      Mr. Joseph Harris, who has been in charge of the Glanmire and Hollybrook half-time schools for the past ten years, has been promoted to the Fish River public school, where he commences work to-day. Mr. Harris has been a painstaking and conscientious teacher, and his many friends will be glad to learn of his promotion in the service. Mr. Alfred Rubin, who has been for some time in charge of the school at Limekilns, has been appointed to Glanmire.

00-00-1904      Palmers Oakey Common purchased a bull from Mr Leighton for £6-0-0 and paid 14/- to D McKinnon & E Ferguson to have the bull driven over from Limekilns.

01-03-1904      NA      Fernbrook Quarries. A NEW VENTURE SOME MAGNIFICENT MARBLE

Messrs. Russell and Co., of Sydney, have completed negotiations with Mrs. Mary Tobin, of Limekilns, for a lease for 25 years of 20 acres of land at Fernbrook, about 19 miles from here, and within a few days marble quarrying operations will be commenced on the area secured by them. Mr. Russell, who returned to Sydney on Sunday night, intends to procure the plant necessary for working the quarry, and by next week he will have on the spot several men who understand the business of quarrying for marble.

As to the marble at Fernbrook, it comprises five or six different classes. There is the Royal Rouge, a red marble with golden streaks running through it, and the St. Ann, a black marble, streaked with white. Amongst the other classes are blocks of pure black marble, and some specimens with a dark blue tint, interlined with crimson streaks. Recently Mr. T. Russell executed 21 marble columns for the main entrance to the Sydney Art Gallery, and he is of opinion that that samples from Fernbrook are of a better color and superior in every respect to that used in that work. Samples of the marble have been shown to those who deal largely in the trade in Sydney, and they have been more than favorably compared with specimens from all parts of the world. An order has been received from Mr. S. Horden, and some of that marble will be used in the decorative work of his new Palace building, and Mr. Crane, of Pitt-street, Sydney, has asked to be supplied with a block 6ft by 3ft. If that cuts up like the small samples submitted, a big order will be given. Mr. Russell has received the contract for four pedestal for the Prince Alfred Hospital and he intends to use Fernbrook marble in the work. He says he has found nothing to equal the marble either at Orange, Macleay, Manning River, Caloola, or any other place in the State where a deposit is known to exist. It is stated that Mr. W. L. Vernon, the Government architect, is immensely taken up with the samples shown him.

The promoters are hopeful of opening up an export trade with London. The expenditures of carting the marble to Bathurst and then the railway freight to Sydney, will be heavy, but the Coy, are going to make a big effort to secure a firm footing in the market for this colonial marble.

13-08-1904      BT      Limekilns Marble.      Tenders are called in this morning's issue for the cartage of marble from Fernbrook marble quarries to Bathurst. These quarries are situated on Mrs. Mary Tobin's property at Fernbrook Limekilns, and Messrs. Russell and Co. have arrived with plant and made ready to commence work at the quarries at once. The firm state that they, 'have numerous', orders on hand for the marble so that this revival of industry should soon cause a stir both in Limekilns and Bathurst.

17-10-1904      SMH      Death of Mrs. Tobin.      Our readers will regret to hear of the death of Mrs. Mary Tobin, of Fernbrook which took place at her residence yesterday morning. The deceased, who is well known and respected throughout the district, was 75 years of age. She had been in the district for half a century, and almost all that time she had resided in the vicinity of the Limekilns. She leaves a family of two daughters, Mrs. Alex. McCudden and Miss Margaret Tobin and six sons, Messrs. Simon, Patrick, Thomas, Joseph, Michael and Dennis, and Miss Maud Kearney (niece.) The funeral will leave her residence at ten o'clock this morning for the Wattle Flat Cemetery.

22-11-1904      NA      FARM at Limekilns, 10 Acres cleared. 2 ½ Acres under crop, 6-ROOMED HOUSE and other Out Buildings. To be sold privately 16th December. Apply A. J. BOWER, Limekilns.

07-01-1905      NA      HOLLY BROOK NEWS. Holly Brook, Thursday,

Rain in very badly wanted in this district for the corn and fruit crops, Very hot weather still continues here. On Sunday the thermometer reached 110 in the shade, which is a record in this part for this season. Grass is very scarce and in many instances hand feeding has already commenced. Notwithstanding the terrific heat a cricket match was played on Monday between teams representing Wattle Flat and Clear Creek which resulted in an easy win for the former. A ball was given by the bachelors of Limekilns at Mr. Sinclair's Hall, Holly Brook. The hall which is a large one, was nicely decorated with green willows and oaks, and the many dancers were loud in praise of the splendid floor. There was a very large assemblage, the ladies predominating. Music was rendered by Mr. W. Atcherson, Mr. T. Schofield acting as M. C. Although the night was very hot they kept the floor busy until next morning. During the evening many songs and recitations were given by the Mesdams, Sinclair, Miss Atcherson, and Master Jarvis who kept the audience in fits of laughter with comic stories and recitations which helped to pass a very enjoyable evening.

09-01-1905      LM      It is the intention of a number of men to make application for permission to mine on Mr. Stewart's property Limekilns where a couple of prospectors are said to have struck payable gold. Mining matters are very quiet.

14-01-1905      NA      Wife Desertion      At the Bathurst Police Court yesterday, Emily Bower, proceeded against her husband, George Bower, an old age pensioner, for failing to contribute to-wards her support. Mr. McIntosh appeared for complainant. Complainant said that she was married at the Church of England Sofala. She had had 16 children, 13 of whom were still living. Her husband left her about four years ago while she was living at the Round Nob, Limekilns, and had not since supported her. He went to live at Palmer's Oakey, where he owned four acre or land, which he cultivated.

The property at Limekilns had since been sold, and she was thrown out by her children With the exception of one child aged 10 years, the whole of her children had left her. The eldest was about 31 years of age. She considered 5s a week a sufficient sum to keep both her and her child. Her husband charged her with living with other men, but this charge was absolutely false. Defendant, who was a decrepit old man, with white hair and whiskers, then, entered the witness box. 'Are you the husband of complainant?' asked the P.M. 'I was till she ran away from me,' came the reply. 'She has now been away from me for four years, and ten months.' 'Have you given her any support during that time?' further queried the P.M. " I never gave anything to support her since," said defendant emphatically. 'She had a good home, but ran

away.' He farther belated that he owned a 2 acre piece of land at Palmer's Oakey, 'but it only furnished him with a little feed for his horse, He received the Old Age Pension. (It was ascertained from the C.P.S. that his monthly receipts amounted to £2 3s 4d). The Bench made an order for the payment of 5s. a week, for a period of 12 months, together with costs of court. When the decision of the Bench was repeated to defendant by a constable, he exclaimed "I can't do it. Where am I to get the money?'. From your Old Ago Pension,' said the P.M.

28-03-1905 NA Probate Jurisdiction. In the Estate of GEORGE BOWER, late of Palmer's Oakey, in the State of New South Wales, Old Age Pensioner, 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 EMILY BOWER, the wife of the said deceased, and all notices may be served at Limekiln, near Bathurst. EMILY BOWER

29-05-1905 NA FUNERAL The funeral of the late Mrs John McKay, which took place on Saturday afternoon, was attended by a large number of friends and relatives. The Rev Alexander Clarke officiated as the grave, and in a brief address he very feelingly referred to the deceased. Mrs. McKay was predeceased by her husband 41 years. During his lifetime that gentleman from Limekilns took an active interest in matters relating to the welfare of the city and was one of the first nine aldermen elected for the Bathurst Council. He was also an elder of St. Stephen's Church when the Kirk was in William Street, near Messrs L Edgley and Co. After leaving Swan Bonds Mrs McKay came to Bathurst, residing with her daughter, Mrs Hawkins, in Lambert street. One sister, Mrs Campbell (Rydal), and one brother, Mr. John McKinnon, J.P. (Limekilns), survive her. The surviving members of her family are Mrs. Hall (Balmain), Mrs. Crawford (Dubbo), Mrs Hillman (Sydney), Mrs Hawkins (Lambert street) Messrs Hugh (Public School, Mumbil), Alec (Trangie), and George (Broken Hill). Mr. William Boyd conducted the funeral.

09-06-1905 NA It is the intention of a number of men to make application for permission to mine on Mr. Stewart's property where a couple of prospectors are rumoured to have struck payable gold. Mining matters are very quiet.

05-08-1905 NA NOTICE, TENDERS are required for Picking Up and Burning Timber on about one hundred (100) acres of land at Limekilns. The lowest in any tender not necessarily accepted For particulars apply to JAMES EDWARDS, Dulcis Vale, Limekilns.

06-02-1906 LM A very pretty wedding was celebrated in the Roman Catholic Church at Wattle Flat on Wednesday, between Mr. James Edwards manager of "Dulcis Vale" and Miss Maude Kearney, of the Limekilns. The Rev. Father Lawler officiated. A large number of friends and relatives were present. After the ceremony the party adjoined to Morris's Royal Hotel where a splendid wedding breakfast was awaiting them. The honeymoon is to be spent in Sydney. .

21-02-1906 SMH INJURED IN THE BUSH. Yesterday a man named Jonathan Davidson, a farmer at Limekilns, near Bathurst, was brought into the hospital in an unconscious condition, suffering from fracture of the skull, a broken shoulder, and other injuries. It is not known how the injuries were received, but on Saturday he went to water stock. After a time the horse returned home, riderless. The wife went in search, and found her husband in the bush a hundred yards from the house lying unconscious and terribly injured. She was unable to remove him, but on the return of her son they succeeded in carrying him home. A doctor recommended his removal to Bathurst Hospital, where an operation was performed. The patient remains unconscious. He is 65 years old, and not expected to recover.

26-02-1906 Death Notice: FATAL RIDING ACCIDENT, BFP As the result of serious injuries received by a fall from his horse on Saturday, Jonathan Davison died in the hospital on Thursday night, without recovering consciousness. It is thought that deceased had been driving stock over a steep hill to water, and in riding down his horse stumbled and turned a somersault, falling on him. Jonathan married Mary Ann Rue , daughter of James Rue and Mary A May, on 1862 Oct 9 in Kelso, Mary Ann Rue was born in 1841 in Kelso, Roxburgh County, and died in 1915 in Sunny Corner District,

07-04-1906 NA TENDERS. Are required for Scrubbing and Mattocking about 800 acres at Limekilns. Tenders to close Saturday, 14th April, The lowest .or any tender not necessarily accepted.

For particulars, apply to W. A. LARNACK, Limekilns,

01-05-1906 NA Rosedale Marble We have been requested to contradict a statement appearing in the 'Sydney Morning Herald' on Friday week last that it was with Caloola marble that the beautiful colored staircase in the National Art Gallery was made. The 'Herald ' said that the statement was based on information given to its special reporter by an officer at the Bathurst Gaol. As a matter of fact, however, the marble for this work was obtained from the Rosedale Marble Quarry, Limekilns, about 1000 feet in slabs being supplied.

01-09-1906 LM It is not generally known that the marble to be despatched by the NSW Government to the forthcoming New Zealand Exhibition came from the "Rosedale" quarries, Limekilns, Bathurst. The exhibit, which is in the form of 100 slabs, was the property of the late Mr W Roberts, Government architect at Bathurst, by whom it was cut and polished. The slabs were several times exhibited at the Bathurst Show, and were striking evidence of the resources of the district in this respect. Since Mr Roberts death, the marble was sold' by Mrs Roberts to the Government to be exhibited for advertising purposes in the Tourist Bureau.

14-09-1906 NA It is reported that a discovery of Wolfram has been made between Rockley and Oberon, but no details about or confirmation of the rumor have reached us. Messrs Herb Moore and Maguire are working 10 acres of ground adjoining Sinclair's, out the Limekiln's way. They have cut the underlay at the 11ft level, in slate country. The reef runs east and west, dipping to the north. Mr Moore appeared to speak rather hopefully of their prospects.

27-11-1906 NA Mr G H Wilson, fifth son of Mr A Wilson, of Limekilns, and Miss P Gorman, fourth, daughter of Mr John Gorman, of Wheatfields, (Pailing Yards) were married on Wednesday at the residence of the bride's parents, Rev Father, Corbett performing the ceremony.

07-02-1907 NA Land Applications During the week ended yesterday, Edward Grabham, of Limekilns, applied at the Bathurst Crown Lands Office for a c p of 300 acres and a c l of 600 acres in the parish of Wyagdon .

08-03-1907 BA TORNADO. In 1907 the little village of Limekilns was struck by a unique weather occurrence. On the evening of Monday the 4th of March a sudden squall developed and passed up Cheshire Creek. It rapidly developed into a tornado. It struck Thomas Tobin's Rising Sun Hotel and almost destroyed it. It also caused severe damage to James Tobin's house at "Alicedale" as well as to Charles Tobin's dwelling near the hotel. With reference to the hotel the Bathurst Advocate comments,

"The old public house (the Rising Sun Hotel) received the full force of the storm. One portion of the building which was used as a post office, was carried into the roadway, while the remainder of the structure was partially destroyed. The only part not seriously affected was the kitchen. Iron from the roof was scattered in every direction.

Fortunately, the storm did not last long, but during that time trees were uprooted, and fences levelled to the ground The tornado took a course only about a quarter of a mile in width and considerable damage was done.

03-07-1907 NA The Bathurst Rolls NUMBER OF ELECTORS

On the now rolls prepared by the police within the Bathurst electorate they are. Bathurst City 3792.

Railway 601, South 117. West 270. Clear Creek 26. Dark Corner 52. Eglinton 198. Evans Plains 66.

Kelso 321. Limekilns 72. Meadow Flat 68. Orton Park 79. Palmers Oakey 86. Peel 115. Sofala 278.

Sunny Corner 274. Turondale 67. Wattle Flat 287. White Rock 50. Winburndale 76. TOTAL 6708

18-09-1907 NA FUNERAL McKINNON The friends of Mr Archibald McKinnon are respectfully invited to attend the funeral of his late beloved wife (Mary McKinnon) to leave Wattle Flat, via Limekilns, this (Wednesday) morning, for the Presbyterian Cemetery, Bathurst, passing through at 2 o'clock. She was a sister-in-law to Mr. John McKinnon of Limekilns who is very ill.

23-09-1907 NA DEATH OF AN OLD BATHURST RESIDENT. With the death of Mr. John Mc Kinnon of Limekilns, which took place at about midnight Wednesday from bronchitis, the Bathurst district has lost one of its oldest justices of the peace. A native of Inverneshire, Scotland, deceased, who was in 82nd year, emigrated to Australia about 60 years ago, and has lived in the district ever since. He is survived by a widow and a family of four, Messrs, Ewen and George Mc Kinnon, and Mesdames Bonfield and Ingram, the whole of whom reside at Limekilns.

27-09-1907 NA. The late. Mr, John McKinnon, of Limekilns, had an amusing experience in the early forties. He was riding to Bathurst one evening on a road, then only a bush track, when he was overtaken by a heavy storm. It got so dark that he could not see the road, and he noticed a light a little way off and rode over to it. It came from a slab house occupied by an old Highland couple. On asking, for shelter he was eyed dubiously and told they had no room, and they then proceeded to discuss the matter in Gaelic, the old man saying, 'That he liked not the stranger's looks, that he had an evil eye, and might be a robber who would cut their throats before morning,' the old lady pleading that it would be a sin to turn away even a dog from the door on such a night. Here Mac, getting impatient, struck in and told them in good Gaelic, 'that he was' no robber, and if he had an evil eye he had an honest heart, and, moreover, he was a McKinnon of the Black Mountain in Inverness.' It is easy to imagine what a change came over the scene then; how he was dragged inside, given the best in the house, and kept up half the night drinking whisky and talking about the old country. Even the next day he only got away from the old couple by pleading urgent business.

08-01-1908 NA FOR POSITIVE SALE BY AUCTION.

Good Little Farm. 40 ACRES Conditional Purchase Land comfortable-house, 6 rooms, outhouses, etc., situated on the Limekilns Road, 12 miles from Bathurst. EH. TAYLOR & CO. have received instructions from Mr. John Sinclair, to sell by auction, AT THE ROYAL HOTEL. BATHURST, on MONDAY, January 20th, At 3 o'clock sharp. 40 ACRES GOOD LAND, about half cultivated, permanently watered by running creeks. The property is for Absolute Sale and is suitable for dairying and bee farming

20-02-1908 NA THANKS I WILLIAM ATCHESON, tender my sincere thanks to Mr. James Edwards, of "Fernbrook", Limekilns, and friends of the surrounding district, for the proceeds of the, Social inaugurated to help defray the expenses of the amputation of my leg. I (Signed) WILLIAM ATCHESON, Junr, Limekilns.

11-03-1908 BUSH LARRIKINS. A Limekilns correspondent writes to the N A.

"One frequently sees something in the .papers Concerning town larrikins, but the bush larrikins are allowed to pass unnoticed. This should not be. There are parts along the Government road where it is absolutely impossible for a man or woman to pass without being insulted. The young larrikins range from 10 to 18 years of age. Sometimes when families are left alone in the house these larrikins will perch themselves close to the house to make use of filthy language. This state of things should be put a stop to."

23-03-1908 NA A Limekilns correspondent writes complaining that not only is the larrikin element in evidence at that place, but that disgusting postcards are being sent from one neighbor to another through the post office. He rightly says that steps should be taken to bring about a discontinuance of this state of affairs.

27-03-1908 LM (By CECIL POOLE.) Lunched at Foster's hotel at Wattle Flat, finding the landlord (who is also the "Mercury" agent) away.

Going on, struck Dulcis Vale station for the night, receiving a most hospitable reception from Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Stewart. The gentleman is the son of Mr. J. H. Stewart, of Mt. Pleasant, nearer Bathurst and therefore a member of

one of the old families of the district. Mr. A. W. has made several trips to Europe and round the world, he has seen and learnt many things, and has, accordingly, a breadth of mind on various subjects that the Australian who has never left Australia seldom possesses. A narrowness of outlook, a strident, yet uneasy self glorification, a shoddy chauvinism, a defective sense of proportion these are the almost inevitable penalties that even fairly well educated young Australians have to pay for geographical isolation,

Dulcis Vale has 30 acres of lucerne, and used to cultivate rather largely - 1400- bags of wheat having been reaped one year. But distance from market means dropping a bit of the profit every mile, and in this case the miles were too many. The station is, as far as possible, used for fattening purposes. Mr. Stewart, however, sells off his sheep at a certain age, practically in respect of condition. The homestead is rather handsome, and certainly roomy and comfortable. With Mr. Stewart is Mr. Erie Stubbs, an Englishman (Surrey), who is acquiring the art of raising jumbucks. He was for a time at a certain station with a castellated homestead, on the Upper Clarence.

The district around here is locally known as the Limekilns. Opposite Dulcis Vale is the homestead of McKinnon Bros., who have a good property. The P.O. is run by Mr. Thos. Tobin, who was born there 60 odd years ago, and who is the father in-law of Sen. Const. E. Barnes, of Delegate, and mentioned by me some weeks ago. The P.O. was a pub in the old days of the Turon Rush, and was then livelier than any street in Bathurst. I mean, of course, any street in Bathurst then. Bathurst, to-day, represents a bankrupt grave-yard. Even its thirty or forty pubs, cannot extract a whoop from the pining Bathurstians.

For years, the Bathurst undertakers have refused to bury anyone without certificates of death from three (3) doctors. This is owing to the fact that on several occasions prominent citizens had been planted as corpses before they had physically died. And as some time necessarily elapsed before the mistake was discovered, and they could be dug up and turned loose again, they were naturally a little annoyed. It made no difference, of course, as far as business was concerned, but they complained that the narrow limits of a coffin debarred them from their usual sound slumber. But I digress.

The Limekilns has two mails a week, and wants three. Really, it seems a reasonable request, for, when totted up, there are a devil of a lot of people betwixt Peel and Wattle Flat. Mr. Tobin's proposal seems to meet the case. It is that the present daily mail on the Wyagdon road should be partially diverted. On the mail days from Sofala to Hill End, the Bathurst coach should take the Wyagdon route on the three other days it should reach Sofala via the Limekilns. That strikes one as being an eminently just and sensible proposal. A telephone is also required. Mr. Stewart applied for a private wire, but was departmentally informed that he'd have to plank down £720 for it. That at 5 per cent., would be £36 per year in interest. Mr. Stewart didn't bite. The sum seems most exorbitant. But the Limekilns people should agitate for a public wire. In these days of cheap telephone construction though that 720 quid doesn't look like it, such a number of people as those on the proposed route should not be left without a wire. Only recently, Mr. Stewart was attacked by appendicitis. A wire was sent to Bathurst, and the doctor came out, by motor, and carted Mr. S. to town. But often, in these matters of high inflammation, a very little time is the difference between life and death. And to have, to ride two, or twelve miles to send a wire may absorb that time. The Limekilns people should stick to their guns and should bang away

The Limekilns school is an erection of massive masonry, and is built of marble no less !. It is now a half-time school only.

I saw Mr. A. N. Wilson, who is a farmer and stock-keeper, and then went up a bridle track to the main range, and struck the track to Dark Corner.

10-04-1908 LM The Limekilns population has returned from the Bathurst show. The races especially were a great success, and more than one of the community is a poorer but wiser man. The district is looking very droughty, but the stock for the most part are in good condition. The rabbits on Dulcis Vale are having a poor time, a gang of rabbiters trapped 2000 pairs last week, and last night one rabbitier netted 402 pairs, and nine traps, have been lost through foxes, and your correspondent's cat secured the tenth.

11-05-1908 LM The light rain here at the beginning of the month helped things a bit, but during the last few days this bitter sou-west wind has been playing the very x—x with everything, and everybody, too. The high moral standard of the Limekilns has been shattered by it. One of our most respected citizens was even heard to swear at it.

20-05-1908 LM Seventy-five points of good steady rain were registered here on Thursday. Fortunately the usual wind has not followed, and the already good shoot gives us more hope to pull through the winter safely.

Great interest is being taken in the completion of the new house on the Limekilns, that of Mr. James Slade. A comfortable little home and having its walls composed of mud its better adapted to the climate than most of our weatherboard houses. Mr. Slade has issued invitations to a Social on Wednesday evening and it is hoped that all those invited will attend.

05-06-1908 LM On Monday the district was enveloped in a heavy, fog, which did not clear until about 9 o'clock. The weather is gloriously fine, in fact too fine, for the squatters and farmers. Corn pulling has been the order of the day for some time past, and judging from the look of the cobs, the wallabies had a fair amount on the cheap. I believe a battery has arrived at Mount Conquer, said battery the property of a Lithgow syndicate. Rather risky to erect a battery unless you have something payable in front of you to crush.

Until lately mobs of starving cattle have passed along our road en route for the Coonaburabran district. I am greatly surprised at our Limekilns residents not having a progress association. They have the intellect among them to bring their grievances before the shire council. The rate they pay is high and very little is expended, in the upkeep of their roads, which in parts are sadly neglected. A half-time school is in progress here, with 20 children on the roll. A full-time



school would give greater pleasure and better results both to parents and teacher. I am pleased to say that Mr. Larnach (manager for Mr. Athol Stewart) Is speedily recovering from the effects of his late accident.

12-06-1908 LM The honey season being over, apiarists are now looking for the best market in which to sell. Mr. T. Tobin has been busy during the past week with his team, taking Alf Kirkpatrick's honey into Bathurst. Although the season was an excellent one as far as honey goes, it is not so good on the money side, as the price is very low.

We are in hopes, of forming a Parents Association here. It will bring the parents and teacher in closer touch with one another. "Go on the land young man" is very good advice, but go in the form of a rabbit trapper at the present time is better. Several trappers from the adjoining district of Holly Brook are at Euchnreena. The said trappers are clearing £1 per day. One of them was until lately employed at the Lithgow mine. Who would be a miner after that?

The district is in a very bad state. Squatters have been looking for grass paddocks. One from Clear Creek was offered grazing at 6d. per sheep, but as his weekly bill would amount to £10, he thought it better to sell his sheep.

Rumors are prevalent that agitation for a full-time school will soon be set going. Why should we be palmed off with a half-time when other localities with fewer. scholars are blessed with a full time

19-06-1908 LM Eighty-two points of rain were recorded here as our share of the late downpour. The rain itself would make glad the hearts of the squatters, but the frosts which we are experiencing are detrimental to the grass, which will only thrive in sheltered places.

Mr. T. Tobin's team took in a large boiler to Bathurst, the same having been sold by Mr. D. Tobin, its last destination was at Fern Brook, its future will be Blayney.

Woe betide any weak sheep which get down around our district. The crows have their eyes, and the foxes their tongues before they are cold meat. A party of men have started trapping in Mr. Wilson's paddock.

Dr. Machattie has men engaged, ring-barking his newly-acquired property viz., "Caloola.". I hear the doctor is a firm believer in the poison cart.

A social was held at, the residence of Mr. A. Davidson, and was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

26-06-1908 LM A mild form of excitement, has been passing through the district lately; owing to some unfortunate being slightly deranged. He asked some of the residents if he was in New Zealand. The only covering he had to protect him against the cold was a sugar bag and an old blanket. Having made a fire one night, he was found the next morning with his covering scorched and his face covered with ashes. The ground where he had laid was disturbed as if he had a fit during the night. At the time of writing two troopers are searching for him.

26-06-1908 LM Sunday night we were visited by a fall of snow, which continued almost without ceasing until yesterday.

17-07-1908 LM Sheep are dying in vast numbers in the adjoining district, of Holly Brook. One squatter has a man working skinning the dead sheep, he is putting through an average of twenty a day. The same man during the past six months drawn on his on his banking account to the extent of £200 for horse feed. This may not mean a great loss to some squatters, but to the one who is battling for livelihood it is heartrending.

A fox drive took place here last Friday, although a large area of ground was gone over, only three foxes were shot. One was seen with a rabbit trap attached to its front paw, but owing to a driver having seen it, it made its escape.



LIMEKILNS c1908. REMOVING WOOL FROM SHEEP SKINS.

18-07-1908 NA DRIVE AND SOCIAL AT LIMEKILNS.

A very successful dance promoted by Messrs Kirkpatrick and Davison, was held at Limekilns. About 20 shooters and drivers attended and the party secured several foxes and a large number of wallabies. In the evening a very enjoyable social gathering was held at Mr. A. Davison's residence. Mr. W. Atcheson supplied excellent music and Mr. C. Tobin was M.C.

24-07-1908 LM Nice rain has fallen during the past three days, and will be very beneficial. A nice shoot is noticeable in the grass.

A peculiarly painful (though, I am happy to say, not serious) accident happened to Mr. Ben Tobin's little girl some few days ago. It seems there was a flaw in one of the posts, and the girl had her finger in it. As her father bored the post, the bit carried the little one's finger with it, crushing the top of it,

At a fox drive at Peel lately, six foxes were killed.

Some of the sheep at Limekilns put me in mind of Thomas Wolsey entering Leicester Abbey and saying he had come there to die. No less than nine sheep were found dead in the porch of one of the local churches.

Two swinging loads of local marble went through this week on route to Sydney. A pity the cost of transit is so expensive, as the marble here is unsurpassed

10-08-1908 LM LIMEKILNS PUBLIC SCHOOL. Mr. J. Miller, M.L.A., has received the following from the Department of Public Instruction:—"Referring to your letter of the 15th June ult., forwarding a letter from Mr. A. Larnach, Dulcis Vale, Limekilns, via Bathurst, urging that the school at Limekilns be worked full time, I am directed to inform you that, having caused inquiries to be made, and a report furnished by the local Inspector of Schools, the Minister of Public Instruction has decided to convert the half-time school at Limekilns to a full-time one."

14-08-1908 LM We benefited to the extent of 2½ inches from the last rainfall. To-day a heavy, hailstorm passed over the district. The glass registered 30 points of rain for the day.

The prospects of farmers are a little more cheering, although we have not had sufficient rain yet. As an instance of how parched the ground was "Mr. Tobin's son was out in the ranges, and could not find a drink of water in any of the gullies."

Mr. Athol Stewart, of Dulcis Vale, while driving the engine at the homestead, had a sudden illness, which necessitated sending for a Bathurst doctor. The doctor said it was the after-effects of a bush fire, which Mr. Stewart had worked at in trying to subdue, until he fell exhausted. As the fire occurred some, months ago, it must have been a severe ordeal he passed through. However, I am happy to say the attack was soon over.

What might have been a sad fatality was happily avoided by Mr. Larnach, his housekeeper's, daughter (Madge Dunlop), a little three-year-old tot, had been given a sixpence to play with. The mother, fearing she might swallow it, took it away, and gave her a two shilling piece, which the poor little thing got into her throat. After a good deal of trouble Mr. Larnach managed to remove it by using a spoon handle.

Mr. Stewart has just brought home a 14-h.p. motor car, which he purchased when in Sydney some short time ago.

04-09-1908 LM We have been experiencing delightful weather until yesterday when a sudden change came, the wind being boisterous and cold. A few points of rain fell last night. A week's good steady rain would be beneficial.

I am pleased to say that we have a full-time school in swing here now. Repairs are to be carried out at the school and residence. The district inspector examined the school on Monday.

As Mr. Athol Stewart was going to Bathurst in his motor car on Saturday, it broke down, and he had to get the assistance of a wood-carter to tow it into dock.

11-09-1908 LM Mr. Athol Stewart had another breakdown in his motor car while en route losing, four hours at Hartley Vale.

Mr. T. Tobin in his usual careful manner moved our teachers furniture from Holly Brook last Friday. The teacher found the yard of the residence a regular quagmire. It is a shame that a school and residence like we have here (having cost 600 pounds to erect) should be allowed to fall into such a state of disrepair.

Mr. Stewart "has started poisoning, which means (owing to the extent of his run) that the cart will be busy for a few days.

18-09-1908 LM A NARROW ESCAPE We benefited to the extent of 81 points through the last rainfall of Friday, and Saturday. Snow fell here last night (Monday), covering- the ground to the depth of two inches.

Mr. T. Tobin's four-horse team, and the two men with it, had a miraculous escape last Thursday on the way home from Bathurst. The wagon had a mixed load on, among the same being a lot of empty honey tins, which were the cause of the trouble. The rattle of the tins caused the horses to bolt. Mr. C. Tobin 'flew' to one leader, and Mr. A. Davidson to the other, but both men were knocked down. Luckily, I am happy to say, both escaped injury. The horses continued, their mad career (all down hill) for about a mile and a half or more, when they collided with the guard fence of an old road. The pace must have been terrific, for after the wagon striking, it never touched terra firma again for a distance of eighteen or twenty feet. At this junction Mr. W. Draper, a driver in the employ of Mr. Denis, came upon the scene, having run through the bush, and put an end to the bolt. Through the horses negotiating the turns in the road safely, very little damage was done.

25-09-1908 LM Sunday was the wildest experienced here for some years. Sleet, hail, rain, and snow fell during the day, and at night the wind blew with hurricane force. The ground on Monday morning was covered with a mantle of snow. The cold had a derided effect, on the attendance at the school, only two children being present.

I am glad to say that the residence and school repairs are to be carried out shortly. Tenders close on October 1. Shearing will start at Mr. Athol Stewart's on the 8th of next month.

09-10-1908 LM When will we have some more rain. The spring is coming in, but from all appearances it will be a very bad one. Still the water-holes around the district, are dry, and a poor looking prospect of them being filled.

Mr. Athol Stewart is home again. He came from Sydney in his motor car, and informs me that the mountains are in a bad state as regards grass. While in Sydney he had the gear of his car altered, so as to be suitable for climbing the hills we have in this locality.

Shearing will start at Dulcis Vale (Mr. Athol Stewart's station) on Thursday. The sheep will, I think, be in a very weak condition, as they cannot have recovered from the ordeal they went through last winter. Mr. Joe Tobin (export from Canowindra) is busy fitting the machinery and getting things in order.

The boys at the local school are busy making gardens, and will also try their hands at making a cricket wicket, as Mr. Athol Stewart has presented them with a cricket set.

The successful tenderer for repairs to the school and residence is expected any day as, tenders closed last Thursday.

10-10-1908 NA TENDERS are invited and will close 16th instant for RINGBARKING from two to four thousand Acres at Limekilns. Particulars on application to McKINNON BROS, Limekilns,

23-10-1908 LM Sixty-eight points of rain have fallen during the first four days. Yesterday (Tuesday), was a frightfully cold day, with rain, sleet, and wind blew with hurricane force.

The gardeners are saying all sorts of nasty, things about the weather, as soon as their beans, tomatoes, or anything can be hurt by the frost show above the ground, so surely comes a frost to cut them down.

Shearing started at Dulcis Vale with two shearers, but at time of writing there is a full hoard. The first load of wool from the Vale went in last Thursday. At present the shearers are idle, owing to wet sheep.

Reynard is to have another rounding up here next Saturday.

06-11-1908 LM The weather here is decidedly hot, accompanied by thunderstorms with slight falls of rain.

The shearing at Dulcis Vale (Mr. Athol Stewart's) is cut out. The clip has yielded about 65 bales, which is far short of the general clip. The severe drought retarded the growth of the wool.

The fox drive held last Saturday was a failure as regards foxes, none were shot.

There is a rumour around the district that Mr. Stewart has been offered £100 by Dr. Machattie for a foal by Fritz, which he has in his possession.

About 2000 sheep passed through this (Tuesday) morning, going back to Mr. Stewart's station in the Abercrombie district. The sheep were brought here to be shorn.

A picnic will be held here next Monday, and, taking former ones as a precedent, it ought to be very enjoyable.

13-11-1908 LM PICNIC AND SOCIAL AT LIMEKILNS.

Monday was celebrated by a picnic. Quite a crowd of people attended. Among the visitors were the Misses F. J. L. and M. Sinclair, from Clear Creek, Mr. and Mrs. J. Schofield and family, from Holly Brook, Mrs. Morris and Mr. Moon, of Wattle Flat. Great credit must be given to the ladies who so generously entered. Sports of all descriptions were held; a list of the winners would occupy too much space. Suffice it to say that every child on the ground winners or not received a prize. Too much praise cannot be bestowed on the committee who managed the sports, and also to the now defunct (I am sorry to say) Limekilns Sports Club. Among those present at the picnic, I was glad to see Mr. J. Tobin, who has been suffering acutely from sciatica for the past three months.

A farewell social was tendered at night to Mr. C. Kirkpatrick, at the residence of Mr. A. Davidson. The catering was carried out by Mrs. C. Tobin, and showed her skill in the culinary art. The music was supplied by Mr. Will Atcheson (concertina) and Mr. Frank McCudden (violin), and could not be surpassed. Dancing was indulged in until AM. The following is a list of the ladies present and the dresses worn Mrs. C. Tobin, pale pink silk, with vest of cream spotted net and lace, piped with black bube ribbon; Mrs. Jas. Tobin, black velvet bodice and skirt, with Honiton lace and applique trimmings, Mrs. J. Schoefield, black crepe-de-chene and embroidery, passementerie trimmings; Mrs. Morris, black and white striped cloth, with black velvet and silk piping. Mrs. T. Tobin, jun., navy Sicilian skirt, pinafore and cream crepe merle bodice; Mrs. McEvoy, black Sicilian skirt, pale blue chiffon bodice; Mrs. Atcheson, black amazon cloth, with Vest of cream lace; Mrs. Swan, white silk, relieved with pale blue; Miss F. Murphy, white silk and flowers; Miss Clemshaw, white silk, mauve belt and tie; Miss McCudden, black tailor-made gown, dark red bodice, pined with black velvet and ribbon ; Miss Muriel McEvoy, pale pink zephyr pinafore and white muslin bodice; Miss Mary Mc Evoy, navy crepe merle and cream lace; Miss H. Tobin, pale blue pinafore and white silk bodice; Miss M. Kearney, white silk, lace and flowers; Miss S. Kearney, whim Swiss muslin and embroidery trimmings; Miss F. Gorman, white silk, lace and insertion. The honor of belle fell to Mrs. Chas. Tobin,

14-11-1908 SMH DEATH McKINNON- November 5, at Brungle Estate, Catherine, relict of Duncan McKinnon, late of Brungle and formerly of Limekilns, Bathurst, and youngest daughter of the late Allan McMaster, of Corriebeg, Kincumber, Brisbane Water, aged 78 years.

16-11-1908 LM Ibises to the number of about sixty have been hovering round the paddock adjoining the school.

The bee farmers are busy again robbing, but judging by the blossom on the trees honey will be very scarce. Mr. B. Tobin has arrived home, from Pyramil, having been there a week attending to his hives. He says they are experiencing the same cold change as we are, having.

Those who have vegetables in the district have another grievance to complain of in the form of pumpkin bugs. Every, vine is covered with a coating of dry flour to try to save it from the pest.

17-11-1908 NA TO LET AT "FERNBROOK", A GOOD 9 ROOMED HOUSE, with kitchen and dining room detached, outhouses, etc, Well furnished. Good orchard and farm of about 20 acres, rabbit-proof fenced, exceptionally well watered. Also about 600 acres of a sheep run. Situated at "Fenbrook", Limekilns, 18 miles from Bathurst. Rent £15 per year. For particulars apply to DENIS TOBIN, Limekilns.

20-11-1908 LM The dry weather still continues, broken now and again with peals of thunder, but no rain. The grass is wearing a parched look, and the outlook is not bright.

Mr. Athol Stewart had a 14 acre paddock of Lucerne cut and stacked. At times the wind was so boisterous that it made stack building impossible.

Mrs. Stewart's mother, brother, and sister are at Dulcis Vale, spending a holiday. Their home is on the Clarence River.

Shearing operations have started at Messrs. T. and D. Tobin's sheds.

27-11-1908 LM Our share of the recent storms was 97 points not before it was needed.

As a result of ringbarking, Mr. W. Wilson passed through here this morning with a three horse wagon-load of bee-hives and bees, en route for another locality, where the ring barkers have not been operating.

Mr. Athol. Stewart had another break down with his motor car, whilst going into Bathurst, and had to have it towed home again. Mr. Redding came out to have a look at it, and found that a particle of grit, about the size of a pin's head, was the cause, of stopping the gas from finding its way to some part of the machinery. Cool weather prevails, and colds are prevalent.

04-12-1908 LM Poisoning is being carried out at Mr. A. Stewart's station.

Much sympathy is felt for Mr. and, Mrs. Stewart through the illness of their little daughter (Betty). She took ill during the latter part of last week, necessitating the calling in of a Bathurst doctor, who diagnosed the case as tonsillitis. Yesterday she was so bad that Mr. Stewart had to take her into town in his motor car. One and all join in wishing her a speedy recovery.

Mr. W. Larnach (manager for Mr. Stewart) was married in Sydney, on Monday, to a Miss Herford, The best wishes of the people here are with them.

A farewell social is to be tendered to Miss Mary Dunlop (housekeeper for Mr. Larnach). She is shortly leaving the district.

The school will be closed here to-morrow and Friday, to enable the pupils to have a look at the Nature Study Exhibition in Bathurst.

11-12-1908 LM The weather here still continues very dry, and faces on all sides are beginning to wear a worried look.

Mr. Stewart's little girl is still in Bathurst very ill. Mr. T. Tobin, sen, has been very ill for the last fortnight, but I am pleased to say is improving. Several of the residents visited the Nature Study Exhibition, and speak in enthusiastic terms of the same.

Mr. Connell (schoolmaster at Peel) met with a painful, though I am happy to say not severe accident at the above mentioned show on Saturday. He was assisting to lower a staging that had been used for singing and display purposes, and had his hand over the spiked railing fence, when the staging fell, jamming his hand on a spike which; penetrated the -web -between the third and fourth fingers to the depth of about half an inch.

One of the most successful socials ever held here took place last night (Monday). The function was a farewell tendered to Miss M. Dunlop, who is leaving the district. Mrs. Swan, Miss Clemesha, and Messrs. C. Hudson and Mabrey supplied the many and varied good things in the edible line. The greatest praise must be tendered to them for providing such a sumptuous repast. Free of all cost. Mr. W. Atcheson was the engaged musician (concertina) Mr. Frank Mc Cudden, in characteristic style brought his violin, and assisted. During the evening Miss Dunlop was presented with a silver belt.

About 11.15 p.m. the wind blew with hurricane force for about half-an-hour. Some of the gents whose hats were outside at the time had a hunting expedition to recover them. A few points of rain fell after the gale and ceased.

The shearer's cottage was kindly lent for the social by Mr. A. Stewart. Dancing terminated at daylight.

The following is a list of the ladies present;. Visitors from Wattle Flat: Misses Atherton (2). Hornier. O'Neill, Eldrige (2), Storey, Foster and Mrs. Rourke, Miss Cranston (Duramana), Miss Mc Cudden (Paling Yards). and Misses Peisley and Smith (Bathurst). The local Ladies present were Mrs. Swan. Mrs. C. Tobin. Mrs. J. Tobin, and Misses M. Dunlop. F. Gorman. Sinclair, H. Tobin, N. Wilson, and Rourke. If any are omitted I must apologise to them.

18-12-1908 LM Twenty-seven points of rain fell here last Friday night.

In spite of persistent poisoning rabbits are still numerous.

Messrs. G. McKinnon and C. Tobin have their respective crops harvested. The greater portion was cut for hay.

A severe attack of illness has laid three of Mr J. Schofields family up. One boy (10 years), is suffering from inflammation of the lungs, the other two (a boy and a girl), have pleurisy. They are in the Bathurst hospital. In addition to this the mother is also ill in bed. All wish them a speedy recovery-.

Parrots are playing havoc with the fruit trees.

Mr. A. Stewart is again cutting his 14 acre lucerne paddock. It is very short, but had to be cut owing to its being in flower.

The repairs to the school and residence have not been carried out yet.

Messrs. G. McKinnon and M. Tobin are busy shearing at their respective sheds.

05-01-1909 BFPMJ WOOL SHED DESTROYED.

Yesterday the police received a report to the effect that a woolshed with contents, had been destroyed by fire at the homestead of Mr. John McKinnon, Limekilns. Constable Grady was immediately despatched, and he made careful inquiry into the circumstances. From particulars to hand, it appears that about 1 o'clock on Sunday, while the family were at dinner, they noticed flames issuing from the wool shed. They immediately rushed out, and endeavoured to extinguish the fire, but their efforts were ineffectual in the total absence of water. A strong wind was blowing, and very soon the shed and contents were in ruins. The shed is not far from the house, and an old 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. The origin of the fire is unexplained. When the family went in to dinner no signs of fire were visible. There is no doubt it originated in the interior of the building, and the impression is that some of the wool was damp when baled up, and that the fire was caused by spontaneous combustion.

07-01-1909 BFP MJ Turon Shire Councillor Lovett, on behalf of the residents of Limekilns, presented a petition in which attention was drawn to the fact that water was so scarce on the Limekilns Road, between Wattle Flat and Bathurst, as to warrant provision being made by the resumption of two acres at Clear Creek. — It was decided to instruct the Engineer to investigate.

05-02-1909 LM

We have been blessed with showery weather since Saturday and 70 points were registered Wednesday morning broke fine and sunny.

The Lucerne crops around the district never looked better, in fact the paddocks are a mass of green.

Mr. Stewart has his men engaged in a shed for his motor car, and judging, by the timber that is being put in, it is meant to last for all eternity.

Interviewed last Saturday in Bathurst, Mr. Bray, whose tender was accepted for to the school and residence, said he was likely to be out any day, his tender was accepted some six months ago and as he says— must have been humbugged by the department in the necessary papers, Meanwhile the children still going to a dirty school, and the teacher still lives in a dwelling with smoke begrimed walls and plenty of ventilation by way of broken windows, the place being so before his coming here.

19-02-1909 LM Sunday night here was a very wild one. The wind blew with great velocity, and the thunder and lightning continued through-out the greater part of the night. A couple of slight showers accompanied it.

A gipsy tea was held on the flat opposite Mr. A. Stewart's; residence last Friday night. After the good things provided by the ladies had been partaken of, games were indulged in till darkness put an end to the enjoyment.

We have various visitors spending a holiday in our midst. Misses Lang and Crouch, with Dr. Sydney-Jamiesons son and daughter, are at Mr. Stewart's; Mrs. Leonard and daughter, of Stanmore, at Mr. T. Tobin's; and Mrs. Lloyd and daughter of Annandale at the school residence.

26-02-1909 LM 'Ideal'." weather prevails, and the country looks splendid. Since writing last we 'have had 45 points of rain.

A vixen and her young ones have been committing depredations amongst the poultry, they are pretty daring and take the feathered ones in broad daylight. Mr. Ben Tobin has been a sufferer in this respect, his fowls going to the creek for a drink have made dainty tit bits for Mrs. Fox and her family.

Rumour has sent his report round that two or three squatters in this district are feeding foxes in caves, their idea being that they keep the rabbits down. For my own part I fail to see how they can be so senseless as to do so, as, if there is a dearth in rabbits, the sheep must and will suffer.

The bridges along the local road are being repaired in very efficient style by Messrs. C. and J. Tobin.

Mr. A. Stewart's men are again busy cutting his lucerne paddock, and as it is no time since it was cut, it proves the fallacy that it is not a paying crop.

Mr. J. Slade tipped into the creek, about a ton of prime Succession cabbages, owing to their starting to go to seed. This was after selling two or three loads at Wattle Flat, besides keeping the station homestead and the manager supplied.

05-03-1909 LM The weather for the past week was just what the squatters require. Since my last, 229 points of rain have fallen. Although beneficial to some, the constant wet has spoiled the last crop of lucerne cut by Mr. A. Stewart and it is scattered all over the paddock, thus the growing crop is spoilt

The contractors have at last arrived to carry out the repairs to the school and residence.

A Church service was held in the residence of Mr. A. Stewart on Sunday night, and considering the weather, a fair number attended. The service was conducted by the Rev. J. Rowsell of Kelso.

24-03-1909 LM Alter six months of weary waiting, the school and residence have been put into decent repair. The work was carried out by Messrs. Bray, of Bathurst. A long standing want has also been supplied at the school, by way of a 400 gallon tank. It was removed by order of the department, and Mr. T. Tobin carted it from Holly Brook sub-school to our own school.

02-04-1909 LM A thunderstorm, accompanied by a little rain, passed over the district on Tuesday.

A full-grown fox was caught by the school-teacher's son during last week, in close proximity to the school,

Charlie Hudson, who has been employed as boundary rider for Mr. A. Stewart for some years, has left to assist at his father's station in the Abercrombie district.

Mr. Miller (our member) passed through here on Sunday, having been to Wattle Flat on business about the resumption of some of the common. He is strongly against the resumption, and also think's that the Flat and Sofala have a, great future.

Owing to the prevalence of typhoid in Bathurst very few from here are venturing in to see the show.

26-04-1909 LM Warm days, cold nights, and frosts are the ruling order here at present.

A gang of trappers is engaged in Messrs. Tobin's and A. Stewart's paddocks. They caught a fox during the week.



Corn stalks, which at other times have been discarded, are being saved this season for the cattle, as the outlook is very gloomy.

A painful, though I am pleased to say not a severe accident happened, to Mrs. C. Tobin's little girl during the week. She was getting through a paling fence when she fell, and part of a broken paling penetrated her thigh. The accident necessitated, her lying up for the week. Mrs. J. Tobin dressed the wound.

We have on visit Mrs. Barnes and daughter, Mrs. Abslum, and Mr. C. Kirkpatrick, all of Sydney.

30-04-1909 LM Splendid rain has fallen during the past, two days. This if the frosts give us a spell, will be very beneficial. Overall inch fell.

I am sorry to record the illness of Mr. Rourke senr. The old gentleman is 80 years of age, and on Sunday he was so ill that a doctor was sent for.

10-05-1909 LM Our local school (through the efforts of the teacher) has been presented with a flag by the Women's Branch of the British Empire League. The next thing wanted is a pole for the same.

Mr. Larnach, manager for Mr. A. Stewart, has gone to Mudgee on the lookout for big-framed sheep.

The trappers are still busy and bunny seems to be making himself scarce.

21-05-1909 LM Our share of the rain which commenced last Saturday, was, 51 points.

Mr. Lanach (manager for Mr. A. Stewart) has purchased 2500 sheep from Boree, at an average price of 9s 7d each. But since the rain squatters are more hopeful, and no more sheep can be inspected under 11s and 6p each.

A lovely lot of about 400 fats can be seen grazing in Mr. Stewart's Lucerne paddock awaiting a rise in market values.

28-05-1909 LM The day was celebrated here in splendid style. The parents and scholars to the number of about sixty assembled in the school room, where Mr. Larnach delivered a few appropriate remarks about the day.

This was followed by an address by the teacher on the Union Jack; how the three crosses were blended on one flag. Mrs. Athol Stewart unfurled the new flag and the sparkle of the children's eyes when they saw their first flag unfurled was a pleasure to all. Rousing cheers were given for the flag, Refreshments were partaken of in the schoolroom, after which the children rendered songs and went through their exercises. The remainder of the day was devoted to sports. The day's proceedings terminated with cheers for the King and the teacher and his wife.

04-06-1909 LM On Tuesday night a stonily rain set in, and at time of writing it is still falling.

Although it, will, greatly assist in making the ground soft for ploughing, it will not benefit the grass, as the frosts to follow will retard growth.

On Monday a drover arrived here from Bathurst, and the following day he took away 500 fat sheep, the property of Mr. A. Stewart.

Farmers around here are generally getting their ground ready, for their crops.

11-06-1909 LM Since the last budget, we have had 104 points of rain. As I am writing it is raining again. The weather is very cold, with the wind blowing great guns.

A doctor was called out to Mr. A. Stewart's daughter (Sylvie) in the latter part of last week. She was found to be suffering from a severe cold with swelling of the glands of the throat.

Re- those fat sheep I wrote about, they were brought back again, owing to the weather being too wet to truck them.

28-06-1909 LM We have had an abundance of rain during the past fortnight, and to-day (Saturday) it is again threatening. Frosts are not troubling us much, and owing to their absence the country looks splendid.

A buyer from Wimbledon purchased two unbroken horses from Mr. A. Stewart at the very satisfactory figure of £40 for the two. He also purchased one from Mr. G. McKinnon, broken to saddle and harness, at a fair price.

I am sorry to report the illness of Mrs. Davidson. Some time ago she was thrown out of a sulky, and she is now feeling the effects. We all wish her a speedy recovery.

05-07-1909 LM Snow fell here on Thursday night and again on Friday morning, the hills around being covered. Rain fell, rather heavily on Friday night.

Mr. A. Stewart had 56 bags of potatoes out of a quarter of acre of ground. Mr. T Tobin has two acres of the same commodity to be dug, from which good results are expected.

What with fumigating and trapping the rabbits are scarce, in fact so scarce that local trappers have gone to the Mudgee district.

Church service was hold here on, Sunday night, and, considering the cold night, a fair congregation attended.

09-07-1909 LM NARROW ESCAPE. What might have been a serious accident for all concerned at the time was narrowly averted last Saturday. Mr. C. Tobin, wife, and two children, accompanied by Mr. Lewis, went from here to Bathurst in a waggonette drawn by two horses, for the purpose of procuring provisions. Mr. Lewis was provided with a box seat at the rear of the vehicle, and was leading a horse, to allow of his bringing back a vehicle that had been purchased in Bathurst. Everything went well until about three-parts of the way across Denison Bridge had been negotiated, when, as bad luck would have it, a motor car driven by Mr. Cutler came on the bridge from the opposite direction. The horses reared, and turned as on a pivot, smashing the pole and snapping one of the wheels like a carrot. Luckily for the occupants the wheel did break, or very likely the vehicle would have overturned and pinned all hands underneath. The horses then careered full gallop along the road. The horse being led behind had to be let go. Seeing that no good could come of Mr. Lewis staying in the vehicle, and fearing that the horse which had been let go might do some damage, that occupant dropped over the tailboard of the vehicle (losing a piece of flesh in doing so) At the rate the horses were going he had to sprint a little, and hang to the tailboard until he could find it convenient to let go. All this

time Mr. Tobin, with great presence of mind clinging to the reins and jamming the brake hard on, kept the vehicle on the road. People along the road who witnessed the runaways held up their hands in horror, seeing the awful plight in which Mr. and Mrs. Tobin and the two children were situated. After travelling about a mile Mr. Tobin brought the horses to a standstill. Some gentleman from Peel galloped after the run-aways, and rendered every assistance. When Mr. Tobin and the children were taken from the vehicle they bore palpable evidence of the shock they had received. Mr. Cutler then came along, and expressed his sorrow at the accident. He offered his car for the use of Mrs. Tobin and children. After they reached Mr. Cutler's office that gentleman had them placed in a cab and driven to the occupant's aunt's residence. He also lent Mr. Tobin a double-seated buggy to go home with. Mr. R. Whittaker towed the smashed vehicle up to the Gasworks Hotel, and from there it was taken to undergo repairs.

16-07-1909 LM Slight rain fell last night, and to-day (Wednesday) it is threatening.

The following, especially this time of year might seem a snake story, but it is nevertheless true, Mr. G. McKinnon was in the Clear Creek district for a day's shooting last Saturday, he saw something on a rock which aroused his suspicions, and on going closer found it was a green snake ten feet long. He promptly shot the reptile. Clear Creek is known to abound in carpet snakes, but the green one shot by Mr. McKinnon was the first, of its species known here.

The above named gentleman had the misfortune to lose a valuable draught horse. The animal dropped dead after ploughing.

Mr. Stewart and his manager left here on Monday per motor car for Forbes to inspect the sheep owned by the former in that district.

Crows are attacking the winter lambs here, and Mr. McKinnon has shot a few of those pests.

23-07-1909 LM About 300 fat sheep passed through here on Tuesday, from Mr. A. Stewarts en route for Homebush.

If what I have heard is true, squatters are having a very hard time of it at Palmer's Oakey, owing to the foxes there. They have compelled Mr. Thompson, of that district, to sell his flock. Two drovers passed through here on Tuesday in charge of 600 sheep, bought from Mr. Thompson and bound for Wyagdon. Mr. M. Tobin also purchased 600 sheep from the same owner.

Foxes are numerous enough in our own locality and numbers of them are often seen. Mr. G. McKinnon shot one, a couple of days ago. As rabbits are a little plentiful they do not seem to play much havoc among the sheep here, although I have heard that a lamb belonging to Mr. Tobin was killed by a fox the other day.

On Tuesday night we had a little hail.

06-08-1909 LM The snow paid us its first visit last Thursday night. This was followed by falls on Sunday and Monday nights. There has been some loss of lambs in consequence of the bitterly cold, weather.

Foxes are committing their depredations among the sheep in this district. Mr. M. Tobin has, I hear, lost from, thirty to forty sheep. I had an argument with a local gentleman over this, he says the loss, of forty sheep is counteracted by the good the fox does in destroying, rabbits. It is estimated that 13 rabbits eat as much grass as one sheep, so that 520 rabbits would, have to be put to the fox's credit in a little over a week, the time, in which those sheep were killed. Strange how some believe in the fox. However, weather permitting a fox drive will take place on Saturday.

I am very sorry to report the illness of Mr. Sam Tobin. He has been suffering for some time, with his back, and at present he has to use a stick to enable him to walk. All wish him a speedy recovery.

07-08-1909 SNOW Very heavy snow, roads closed, some damage to buildings.

13-08-1909 LM A fox drive took place here last Saturday, just only 13 persons took part in it, consequently the game accounted for was not numerous. Seven wallabies were shot, and although seven, foxes were seen, only one lost its brush, the others made good their escape, owing to the scarcity of shooters.

Mr Sam. Tobin has been forced to go to Bathurst to seek medical advice.

A very heavy downpour of rain occurred on Monday, and this morning it is again raining, and seems likely to continue.

Mr. Stewart, wife, and family, accompanied by the children's nurse left here on Monday, en route to Sydney for a holiday.

The crops are showing above the ground, and everything, so far, indicates a good harvest

03-09-1909 LM Mr. Alec Wilson, of this district, was cycling into Bathurst in the early part of last week, when between Kelso and the Denison Bridge, the fork of his bicycle broke, and the rider fell on to the side of his face and was rendered unconscious. He had to remain in Bathurst to obtain medical attention. The doctor advised him to remain very quiet, as he feared concussion of the brain. All wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. Larnach left here on Monday morning for Parkes, to start a drover off in charge of 3500 sheep for this district. The sheep were purchased by Mr. Athol Stewart, some months ago, and will be in time for shearing, which starts in the beginning of October.

We have had a fair share of the rain which has fallen during the last few days and it has been gladly welcomed by all hands.

A fox drive is to take place here next Friday.

Some of our residents are complaining of the rheumatics caused, no doubt by the changeable weather. Mr. McKinnon is the worst; sufferer.

We have lost one resident, in Mrs. Swan who was until last Friday employed at Mr. Stewart's. She has gone to Sydney. Her going meant the loss of a pupil from the school.

I am pleased to say that Mr. Sam Tobin, who had such a bad time of it with rheumatics and lumbago, is in a fair condition again.

08-09-1909 LM The common domestic flat iron is no doubt useful when heated to warm cold trilbies, these cold nights, but at times the habit is fraught with danger. We have an example of this lately. Mr. A. Davidson evidently suffering from the above common complaint, took one of those useful little articles to bed with him and by some means or other, instead of answering the purpose intended, it burnt his leg rather severely. To make matters worse, the next day the dye from his trousers got into the wound and caused blood poisoning, necessitating going to Bathurst for medical attention. '

To show the force in which Mr. A. Wilson hit the ground, re his bicycle accident, his Panama hat bent inwards towards his face, and a piece of metal pierced the hat and penetrated his face, he was lying unconscious for three hours.

A fox drive took place here on Friday when twelve shooters and thirteen drivers attended. The information here given is from some who attended it. If it was known that the local drive was to be carried out it was not fair for others to come out from Bathurst and drive in opposition. On one hill driven by the local gentlemen and those who assisted from Dark Corner it was found to have been driven before them, and in another, the wing drivers of our men drove right into some of the oppositionists. Only one fox was shot by Mr. W. Larnach

20-09-1909 LM On Thursday last we had a violent thunderstorm, which flooded all the low lying country as well as the creeks. Floodgates were washed away like matchwood, and logs which had resisted all other floods were carried away. Altogether 160 points of rain fell that day.

Last night a social was held at the residence of Mr. J. Byers. Dancing was indulged in until the early hours of this morning. During the evening recitations by Miss. Mary Byers, and the sailors' hornpipe by Mrs. Atcheson, were given. The items were warmly appreciated. Splendid music was rendered by Mr. W. Atcheson (concertina) and F. McCudden (violin). The dresses worn by the ladies were very pretty, and showed great taste on the part of the wearers. The following ladies were present. Mrs. B. Tobin. Mrs. C. Tobin, Mrs. Atcheson, Mrs. Byers. Mrs. A. Schofield, Mrs. A. Sinclair, and the Misses N. Wilson, H. Tobin, McCudden, C. Schofield and J. and M. Byers. Mr. C. Tobin proved an efficient M.C. The proceedings terminated with a hearty vote of thanks (for the trouble they had gone to) to Mr. and Mrs. Byers.

08-10-1909 LM On Sunday a heavy fall of snow took place and the night was very boisterous.

I am sorry to have to report the illness of Mr. T. Tobin. sen. So dangerously ill is the old gentleman that on Saturday last two doctors were wired for; also Father McGee from Bathurst. The doctor again visited him this Tuesday morning. I sincerely hope his recovery will be speedy.

On Saturday a little tot (Ettie Barnes), granddaughter of Mr. T. Tobin, sen., by some means or other was caught in the machinery of a horse works chuff-cutting machine. She was whirled round, receiving nasty injuries to her head and legs. Both the above named being favourites with the residents, any improvement with them will be gladly hailed.

Shearing starts to-morrow at Mr. A. Stewart's. It should have commenced yesterday, but so far only two shearers have arrived, the rest being expected to arrive in time to start operations.

Mrs. Stewarts, nurse, and children, arrived home yesterday. Although Mrs. Stewart went to Sydney for a holiday, it was far from being one, as while there she underwent four operations. Two were to remove growths from the nose, and the others to remove pieces of bone from the same organ, which the doctor found had been fractured years ago. It is hoped her trouble is over.

With regard to those lights of last Saturday week, I believe (that while away for holidays) I either met the champion liar, or else one whose imaginations leads him astray. He informed me that a cloud full of light descended to within a few feet of him, and that he could smell the sulphur in it. Not wishing to leave this earth like the prophet of old he turned and ran.

A Chinaman recently came in for a pretty rough handling in a village in the district. It is his custom to take groceries and collect money owing. Being found of the "shikker" he indulged rather freely, and whilst in that state the talent tried to cut his hair off with a pocket knife. Failing that, they burnt it off with matches.

This caused him to swear at one of the tonsorial artists, for which he was landed one on his jaw. Following this he was relieved of his cash and his two horses turned astray. Were there no police about

13-10-1909 BT FUNERAL. TOBIN. The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. James Tobin, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tobin, Mr and Mrs. Benjamin Tobin, and Mrses, John and Samuel Tobin are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly beloved Father, to move from his late residence, Limekilns, at 7 o'clock TOMORROW (THURSDAY) MORNING, for the Catholic Cemetery, Bathurst. W. BOYD, Undertaker, Telephone 110. 182 Piper-street.

FUNERAL TOBIN — The friends of Mr and Mrs Edward Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Barnes, Miss Essie Tobin, and Misses and F. Murphy are respectfully invited to attend the funeral of their late dearly beloved father and stepfather, to move from his late residence Limekilns, at 7 o'clock TO-MORROW (Thursday) MORNING for the Catholic Cemetery, Bathurst. W. BOYD, Undertaker, Telephone 110. 182 Piper-street

15-10-1909 LM It is with sincere regret that I have, to report the death of Mr. T Tobin, .sen. The deceased gentleman was first taken ill last Saturday week when the doctors found him suffering from pneumonia and pleurisy. Those diseases were overcome but a more serious complaint that of the heart was the cause of his death. He passed away at 2.30 a.m. on Tuesday morning. The deceased was a lifelong resident of the district, respected by all who know him, and has left a family of grown up sons and daughters, most of whom reside in the district. He was of sterling qualities, and one whom the district can ill afford to lose. His loss is keenly felt by all. Irrespective of the above trouble,

several of the inmates of the deceased's home have been very ill, and under the doctor's care. These, I am pleased to say, are on the road to rapid recovery,

An epidemic of measles is prevalent in the district, young women and children being affected.

The first load of wool 15 bales for the district went from Mr. A. Stewart's on Tuesday. Delays in the shearing are taking place owing to the rain which is occasionally taking place, not enough to register many points, but enough to wet the sheep.

You ask "Were there no police about?" re that Chinaman banging, etc., affair. The policeman at Windeyer was away on holidays, and one constable from Hargraves was there relieving him, thus leaving only one constable at Hargraves. This one would have had to have been like a cat, sleep all day, and keep awake at night, as it was late at night when it happened.

18-10-1909 BT FUNERAL. The funeral of the late Mr. J. P. Tobin, of Limekilns, took place on Thursday last, the remains being interred in the Roman Catholic portion of the general cemetery. The cortege was a lengthy one, all the residents of the surrounding district being present. Rev. Father McGee officiated at the Mortuary Chapel and at the graveside. The coffin was of polished cedar with silver mountings. The deceased, who was 67 years of age, was held in the highest esteem by all who knew him, and consequently will be greatly missed. A family of six sons and three daughters remain to mourn their loss. The funeral arrangements were in the hands of Mr. W. BOYD.

18-10-1909 BT Clear Creek and Limekilns Mail. The following communication from the Postmaster General has been forwarded to us by Mr. E. S. Carr, M.H.R.: Adverting to your letter and petition presented by you some time since from Messrs. W. A. Larnach, A. Seabrook, and other residents of Limekilns via Bathurst for the discontinuance of the twice a week horseback mail service between Peel and Clear Creek via Limekilns and the re-arrangement of the six times a week coach service between Bathurst and Sofala, to run on alternate days via Peel, Wyagdon, and Wattle Flat and via Peel, Limekilns, and Wattle Flat. I have the honour to inform you that inquiry has been made, and to forward for your information the attached report in regard to the matter submitted by the Deputy Postmaster General, Sydney, from which it will be seen that the petitioners proposals are not warranted by circumstances.

2. With regard to the Statement In the petition under notice that the present service to Limekilns is a horse mail, consequently the residents cannot get parcels by post, I may mention that 3 lb. parcels are conveyed by horse back mail services. EXTRACT FROM report. The services affected are as follows:

West 95, Bathurst and Sofala, via Peel and Wyagdon, 28 miles, six times a week; buggy or coach, £96 ; per annum; terminable 31/12/09.

West 99, Peel, Limekilns, and Clear Creek, horseback, twice a-week, £62 per annum. terminable 31/12/10.

The first-named service (W.95) is portion of a main mail line Bathurst to Mudgee, via Peel, Wattle Flat, Sofala, Hargreaves, and Hill. End. If the deviation, asked for were granted, It would still be necessary to include Clear Creek P.O., but all mention of this is omitted from the petition. To do this it would be necessary for the coach, after arriving at Limekilns, to double back three miles, the route now followed by the horseback service being along a bridle track which the coach could not travel. The additional distance would thus be six miles, and at the rate of £3 8s 6d per mile, would involve an additional expenditure of £20 11s, while, on the other hand, if the services Peel to Limekilns, were discontinued the expenditure in that connection, £52 per annum, would be unnecessary; the latter service, however, does not terminate till 1910, and could not at present be interfered with.

The total number of settlers at Limekilns and Clear Creek who would slightly benefit by the proposal is 25, while 14 householders, who are living on the existing route between Peel and Wattle Flat, 14 miles would be deprived of a service three times a week and would no doubt strongly object to the alteration. As already pointed out, the Bathurst Sofala line is portion of a main mail service, from Bathurst to Mudgee, and the contractor for the Sofala-Mudgee section is required to reach Mudgee in time to meet the mail train; if an additional distance of six miles had to be travelled the contractor would require at least an hour longer; this would delay the Sofala-Mudgee line, and as the mails are now delivered at Mudgee about 5.15, and the train mails close at 6.30, the delay of an hour would not allow sufficient time for the sorting of correspondence by the Sofala-Mudgee coach before the closing of Sydney and other mails. Irrespective of this it is not the usual custom to deviate main mail lines running between important country centres. There are no places of business at Limekilns, but there is a public school. The persons represented on the petition are scattered about the locality in various directions. The estimated revenue from the line is £42 6s 4d per annum. I have made inquiry and ascertained that to provide a sulky service, Peel to Limekilns, via Clear Creek, the present contractor would require an additional £10 per annum on account of the extra distance he would have to go, through the present route not being suitable for vehicular traffic; this would increase the cost of the service to £62 per annum, but seeing the revenue is estimated at only £42 6s 4d per annum the increased-expenditure is not warranted.

01-11-1909 LM Heavy rain fell on Tuesday night. This was succeeded by hail about the size of marbles.

One of the school pupils (Essie Tobin) has gone to Delegate Hill to live with her sister.

Shearing is proceeding satisfactorily, about 60 bales of wool having been despatched from Dulcis Vale. The epidemic of measles seemed to have died out, but I find that another case has occurred here.

Mrs. G. Tobin still continues under the doctor's care.

Beekeepers have had a bad time of it lately, losing, in some cases, hundreds of swarms. Most apiarists were under the impression it was "spring dwindling," but one who has had 34 years experience asserts that it is 'muscular rheumatism,' brought on by dampness, caused by the wet winter. He experimented with his bees and found that sprinkling the floors of the hives with sulphur seems to combat the disease

05-11-1909 LM Heavy rain fell here on Sunday and yesterday, over an inch being registered.

From all appearances snakes will be very numerous here this summer, as several of the tiger species have been killed already, and others have been seen. A trapper, whilst, digging a dummy in which to put his traps, unearthed one nine inches long, which, he quickly despatched.

Influenza is prevalent in the district. Several of our local residents are laid, up.

Mr. James Tobin is so seriously ill that a Bathurst doctor had to be sent for. He was too ill himself to stand the journey to town. All hope his recovery will be speedy.

A peculiar accident happened to Mr. A. Dempsey, who is shearing for Mr. Stewart. It seems a sheep kicked him on the little finger, causing it to go black, and necessitating his leaving work to seek medical advice

19-11-1909 LM Shearing operations have ended at Dulcis Vale, Mr. A. Stewart's total clip being 200 bales. In addition to his own sheep, 100 ewes belonging to McKinnon Bros, and 300 ewes belonging to Mr. Morgan of Upper Turon, were shorn at the Vale. The sheep which were owned by the late Mr. T. Tobin, also those of Mr. Sam Tobin, are at present being put through.

What promised to be a splendid season, when spring was ushered in, is not up to expectations. What with, the late frosts and the hot weather we are now experiencing the oat crops have been badly burnt. Some of the crops are only six inches high, and are out in head.

I think that the public here are mostly against the strikers, as they say that they have to suffer for the sake of a few miners, who are never satisfied, and, from what we can glean from the papers say give no reasons for striking.

The gardener's scourge, the pumpkin beetle, is at its' devouring tactics again eating the leaves of the vines, and leaving them like mosquito nets. Flour has been tried here for them, by putting it on the leaves, but the sparrows, coming after the flour, pick the leaves to pieces. That cure seems as bad as the first post.

I am pleased to report that Mr. and Mrs. J. Tobin are on the road to recovery.

26-11-1909 LM All the cast off winter bedclothes were needed here on Monday night, as it was exceedingly cold. A sad state of affairs awaited the farmers and gardeners the next (Tuesday) morning. A heavy frost had cut corn, pumpkins, and everything susceptible to the damage caused by frost to the ground. Mr. F. Tobin had seven tomato plants left out of 81.

I am sorry to report the illness of Mrs. C. Tobin, who has been obliged to stay in Bathurst under medical attendance. Her case is somewhat serious.

Mrs Joe Davidson, of Bathurst, a relative of Mrs. C. Tobin, had the misfortune while walking across the yard to fall over a stick, the end of which penetrated the abdomen for some inches. She now lies in a serious condition in Bathurst Hospital. I trust that both ladies soon recover.

29-11-1909 LM A violent storm, accompanied by rain and hail, occurred here yesterday, 110 points of rain fell in an hour and a half. The rain was badly needed, as crops were in a very backward condition. It will also put a stop to for the present of bush fires. ,

Shearing has finished at Messrs. S. and J. Tobin's, but the wool is stored, owing to the strike.

Despite all operations, rabbits are here in thousands.

10-12-1909 LM Warm weather with cold nights, prevails. Another heavy frost made its appearance last Sunday morning, and settled everything which escaped the previous one. Corn, pumpkins, potatoes, etc., look as if a fire had swept through them.

The infant daughter of Mr. T. Rourke, of Wattle Flat, died in Kelso on Sunday, after a long illness. The funeral passed through here yesterday en route to Wattle Flat cemetery.

I am pleased to report that Mrs. C. Tobin is home again convalescing.

The district thoroughly free from measles again, and the school has its full attendance of scholars.

Messrs. McKinnons' sheep were put through in Bathurst the latter end of last week, and Mr. B. Tobin is at present engaged with his lot.

20-12-1909 SMH IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—

Probate Jurisdiction. In the Estate of THOMAS TOBIN, late of Limekilns, near Bathurst, in the State of New South Wales, Farmer and Grazier, deceased intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to JOHN TOBIN, a son of the said deceased, and that the Administration Bond may be reduced: all claims against the said estate must be sent within the said fourteen days to, and all notices may be served at, the undermentioned address. F. B. KENNY, Exchange, Church-street, Bathurst. By HUGHES and HUGHES, 20 Hunter-street, Sydney.

11-01-1910 BT WEDDING. At SS. Michael's and John's Cathedral yesterday, the marriage was celebrated of Mr. John Patrick Tobin, second youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Tobin, of Limekilns, and Miss Ida Ethel Bennett, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Bennett, of Dark Corner. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Father Flanagan. The bride was attired in cream ivory silk, with trills and lace, and wore the customary wreath and veil. She was attended by four bridesmaids. Her travelling-dress was of blue satin, with cream hat and roses. A large number of useful presents were received.

04-02-1910 LM The bounteous rain has worked a complete change. Luxuriant grass is now to be seen on all sides, and corn which you would scarcely expect to see a cob after the gruelling it received from the frost of last year is now eight feet high, and well cobbled. Potatoes in the district do not look too good, the early ones being small and the late ones being attacked by a small fly, not one, but millions.



A flock of about three hundred wethers went through here from Mr. A Stewart's, en. Route for Homebush. Judging by their condition the top price ought to be realised.

The same gentleman has two mowers engaged cutting his fourteen acre Lucerne paddock, on which a splendid crop is growing.

A very pretty wedding (the bridegroom. Mr. John Tobin, being a resident of here and the bride, Miss Bennett, of Dark Corner, being the celebrants) took place in Bathurst recently. To both I extend my best wishes.

Mrs. McCudden and family, who came here from Bondangora, to spend the Christmas holidays, have been compelled to stay for an indefinite period owing to the health of her father Mr. J. Rourke.

00-00-1909 Mr & Mrs Larnach had a son Noel S Larnach in Bathurst.

11-02-1910 LM One of the oldest and most respected residents, Mr. John Rourke, sen., passed away on Saturday at 6.30 A M at the advanced age of 81 years, twenty nine years ago Dr. Spencer gave up all hope of him, but still the old gentleman struggled on, and bore his suffering with patience. His life ended peacefully, all his family being present. The funeral took place, on Sunday, the cortege leaving the deceased's residence at 1.15 p.m. for the Wattle Flat R.C. cemetery. I am told it was the longest funeral which ever entered that town, people from all the surrounding districts attended. The body was enclosed in a silver mounted polished cedar coffin. In the absence of Father Corbett, who was ill, Mr. Jack. Hyland read, the burial service in a very impressive manner. The grave was covered with wreaths and crosses. The deceased came to the district 47 years ago, took up a selection, built his home, and there ended days. Pioneers of this type are sadly missed,

Last Saturday I was at Holly Brook. While I was there paid a visit to an old friend, Mr. J. Schofield. What struck me with surprise was his paddock of corn, which in places is 12ft high, whilst taking the average it will go 10ft, with three and four cobs on a stalk. I am quite sure the Northern Rivers can't beat his crop.

The bee farmers are busy robbing and honey seems to be plentiful.

25-02-1910 LM The weather continues very dry and hot, and rain is badly needed, both for the crops of corn and for the grass.

Rumour has it that Mr. A. Stewart has lost 150 sheep from one of his paddocks. The police have been round the district very frequently lately, so something may be in the wind. A petty theft did occur at the above gentleman's place, three sets of draught horse shoes and two packets of nails having been stolen.

From a fourteen acre paddock here over 30 tons of Lucerne is estimated to have been cut.

Snakes are prevalent here, Mr. Stewart killed one whilst it was going under the verandah of the house, and Mr. McKinnon another, close to his residence. Mr. and Mrs. J. Tobin had a very narrow escape the other night from being bitten. It seems they were crossing a paddock and the former stood on a snake's head, and the latter on some other part of the reptile.

A little episode occurred in a residence not far off recently. Hearing a noise in his bedroom, the occupant got up and struck a match to investigate. By the dim light he saw what he thought was a snake, and called out, "Look at the reptile." Another inmate then roused himself, lit a candle and went hunting for it. Whilst so doing, a third opened a door, and the one holding the candle dropped it with fright. The cause of the disturbance then got under a sofa, was chased out by means of a walking stick; then politely perched itself on a pillow alongside a sleeper's head, and finally clambered up on top of a cot where it was killed.

Poor little ring-tailed possum he tried all ways to make friends, but man did not appreciate his friendly visit.

07-03-1910 LM Violent gales and dark gloomy clouds have kept us company the last two days, but so far no rain has fallen. At the time of writing fine rain can be seen falling on the hills to, the east.

At several homesteads in this arid and adjoining districts water has had to be carted for domestic purposes. Almost all of the tanks here are dry.

Rumour was truth re sheep stolen from Mr. A. Stewart's. A reward of £50 is offered for information, etc. Might as well be £50,000, for by this time those sheep have either been potted or eaten.

A flock of; about 2000 travelling sheep passed through here yesterday (Friday), all in good condition, and in charge of two drovers.

By the way, Mr. Editor, here is a little sum, which you or some of your staff can pass their leisure moments (that is if you have any) at. A butcher wants to kill 30 bullocks in 15 days, killing an odd number each day, how is it done ?

*We suggest that the butcher and the bullock's hold a conference on the matter, and if they fail to agree let the conundrum be referred to a Royal Commission of half a dozen unemployed. Editor.*

18-03-1910 LM Since the rain started last Saturday 160 points have fallen. This together with what is still threatening, gives us a hopeful outlook for the winter.

Portland's population will benefit to the extent of four persons, Mr. and Mrs. Batteram having left this district yesterday, bound for the former place.

The Tobin brothers are engaged with a wagon and four horses carting firewood for Mr. A. Stewart.

A gang of trappers are engaged trapping on the surrounding stations, and, judging by the rabbits here, they ought to make, good wages.

One boy had two traps set last night trying to catch a rabbit for the mouse catcher, and in one trap caught, I think the father of all hares. When weighed, he tipped the beam at 9 lbs. It went to a neighbour's place to hang till it gets, high game, when it will be served up in the English style.

Several of the youthful population are suffering from chicken pox.

Mr. W. Seabrook, our noted bee farmer has gone to Sydney to get his exhibits ready for the coming show.

A man who can lose 16 fowls in one night through a native cat, and then sing, directly afterwards, "Happy is the man that is contented", is a brick. Such a thing happened here last week, when Mr. W. Seabrook, sen., lost his valuable lot.

A curious thing happened on Sunday. A swarm of bees came out of a box, and in it were five queens. I was always taught to believe that only one queen came out, and that if two or more were hatched at the same time a fight ensued, when all but one queen was killed. The above has changed my mind on the subject.

01-04-1910 LM Easter passed by very quietly. The two adjoining, districts of Peel and Wattle Flat played two cricket matches, one on Good Friday and the return the following day. Peel suffered defeat in both matches.

Mr., and Mrs. N. Jones, of your district, had a brief holiday at Mrs. J. Schofield's, of Holly Brook, during the Easter.

Several children are suffering from swelled necks, the glands swelling to an abnormal size, The infant son of Mr. B. Tobin is suffering from diphtheria.

Some sheep from our district topped the market this week at Homebush, realising 17s 3d.

Mr. Hoare, Government surveyor, has just finished surveying some land here

08-04-1910 LM I reported that Mr. B. Tobin's infant son was suffering from diphtheria. It appears now that such was not so, the father having made a mistake in saying that he was suffering; from diphtheria croup, instead of bronchial croup. Quite a stir was caused here through the mistake.

What I took to be a taxi-cab passed through here on Sunday, conveying Mr. F. Drown (a shareholder in the Wattle Flat sluicing claim) to that place, where he is to superintend the erection of new plant.

Owing to the changeable weather nearly everyone is suffering from some ailment.

Mr. Conroy is to speak here on Friday night, but although the election is so close, 'matters' here in connection with the same are very quiet.

22-04-1910 LM Rain started falling here on Monday night, and has continued incessantly all day. Up till the present 70 points have fallen. Needless to say, it was badly wanted, as most of the tanks, were dry. I cannot say that it will benefit the paddocks here, as the frosts, which are sure to follow it, will check all growth in the grass.

Last September, during shearing, Mr. W. Bonfield of this district contracted yolk-boils. The complaint being common among wool-rollers, he took no notice of it. However, it has turned to blood-poisoning, which has necessitated his staying in Bathurst under medical observation.

Nearly everyone in the district is talking with the Yankee twang, owing to suffering from that dreaded disease, influenza.

The majority here are jubilant over the success of Mr. Carr, but some put themselves on the level of Chinamen and niggers by not recording their votes.

Finding that ground does not improve of its own accord, Mr. A. Stewart is having about 1000 acres rung and scrubbed.

Having had a good season as regards fruit, and it not being worth the grower's labor to run it into Bathurst, plenty of that commodity is going to waste.

Wire-working is being taught in the local school, and the boys take eagerly to it, in fact, were it allowed, would make all the designs which have to be gone through to complete the course in one day. The articles made are useful in the home, and also train the boys in eye and handiwork, as well as measuring lengths and angles.

06-05-1910 LM The frosts are with us, but rain still hangs off.

Trappers are very busy at present, and are making a good thing of it.

A weather-board cottage is being erected here for Mr. W. Grabham, by a firm of Bathurst builders.

A couple of accidents occurred here lately, fortunately ending not too badly for those concerned. Mr. M. and D. Tobin had driven a young horse into Bathurst, and when returning the horse got nasty. The two inmates got out of the sulky when the horse bolted, he continued his mad career, until the reins got round the box of the wheel, throwing the horse and breaking a shaft of the sulky. He lay there till the occupants came up and loosed him.

Mr. A. Wilson did not fare quite so well. He was driving with his sister into Bathurst, and when near Kelso the horse fell, throwing Miss Wilson into the bottom of the vehicle, and her brother out of it; and across the fallen horse. The horse struggled and threw him on the road, injuring his hand, which turned to blood poisoning, rendering his stay in Bathurst necessary. The shaft of the sulky was also broken. Mr. Wilson, as regards, accidents, is very unlucky, as it was only some few months ago, he was severely injured owing to his bike breaking.

Preparations are being made here for Empire Day Mr. G. McKinnon has a forty foot pole ready to be erected

06-05-1910 BT. Mr A W Stewart, Dulcis Vale Limekilns, has been appointed an Acting inspector, under the Pastures Protection Act.

13-05-1910 LM

What may be termed a perfect nuisance here, is supplied by about 20 head of cattle that have wandered to our peaceable locality, having no respect for any fences which might hinder them from obtaining their ends.

Mr. McKinnon had the misfortune to lose two good horses lately. He had sent two away to be broken in, and one was rendered useless through a tree -falling on it. He was breaking one in himself on Monday, when the horse reared, fell over, and either fractured its skull or broke its neck, as it died in a very short time.

The usual talk here is about the dryness of the weather. Rain is badly needed, and frosts are very severe.

27-05-1910 LM Our share of the last rainfall was exactly one inch. Still, it is not sufficient.

While on a visit to Sydney recently, Mr. Larnach a local resident got quite a shock, at Penrith. It seems that an engine ran into the brake van in which Mr. Larnach was enjoying a comfortable sleep. The force of the impact threw him from the seat on which he was lying onto the opposite seat, whilst the glass from the broken windows, fell in a shower around him. Luckily he escaped injury.

10-06-1910 LM After an absence of about three months, Mrs. A. Stewart and Mrs. J. Tobin, the former having been in Bathurst and the latter at Rooty Hill, have returned to their respective homes. It is the intention of Mrs. Stewart to spend a couple of months on the mountains, owing to her health.

The population here has increased by two, a boy and a girl.

A gang of trappers left here on Monday, bound for Cannowindra. Although the said trappers gave bunny a red hot time of it here, some of the lads around are making good pocket money selling the skins.

What I fancy is rather a tall story reached me lately. It seems a certain person, not far from here, was losing his corn from out of the field, and, having an idea the foxes knew something about it, he roasted some dead rabbits, poisoned the same, and the result was fifteen foxes in one night. Now I have heard and know for a positive fact that foxes will eat fruit, in the case of plums stone and all but this was the first I ever heard of disappearing corn being put to their credit.

01-07-1910 LM This district was benefited to some extent by the late rainfall, but not sufficiently to fill the tank's for domestic purposes. At time of writhing it is raining again. Owing to the changeable weather a great number of local people are suffering from influenza.

On account of the properties of Mr. Stewart at Bald Ridge and the Grove, in the Abercrombie district, not adjoining one another he decided to sell the former property. A resident of Rockley purchased it for £1.400. Mr. Stewart then bought Malgunyha station, adjoining The Grove.

The local gang of trappers are home again, it seems good money was made by them whilst they had the ground to trap on but failing to obtain more ground compelled them to return. It seems that one land owner, whose ground, so I am informed, was one moving mass of rabbits, would not allow them to trap although he was offered a good bonus on the rabbits caught. This was at Carcoar.

The saying, "A man is born to trouble, etc", is aptly illustrated in the case of Mr. James. Tobin, a local resident. Periodically he suffers from a bleeding at the nose, consequence of which his nostrils have to be plugged. Then sciatica attacks him now and again in a violent form, and just lately a doctor from Bathurst came out and found him suffering from an inflamed knee-cap. He ordered his removal to Bathurst hospital, so as he could if necessary operate on him. He was taken into Bathurst in a very low condition on Saturday, everyone will be pleased to hear of his speedy recovery.

Owing to the shortage of herbage, a lot of the cows, in the district are being hand-fed.

11-07-1910 LM With reference to the squatters at Carcoar not allowing tappers on the ground it is said that the last Federal election was the cause of it. The squatters to a man were for Mr. Conroy, but owing to some alleged remarks made by that gentleman against the trappers, the latter were all supposed to vote for Mr. Carr. Consequently the squatters thought they would get even with the trappers by not letting them on the ground. Our local trapper's even offered a bonus of £1 per thousand pair to be allowed to trap, but this was refused. To finish up, I know that three out of seven local men did vote for Conroy.

11-07-1910 LM We are experiencing delightful weather, rain one day, with sunshine the next in consequence of which the district is looking splendid.

Mr. Larnach returned on Friday after having been scouring the country chasing sheep for Mr. A. Stewart. Six weeks ago the squatters here looked pretty doubtful about their own sheep, owing to the dryness of the weather.

I hear that Mr. Will Grabham purchased 700 acres of private property at Wyagdon for £1400. This does not include a lot of leased land which accompanied the sale. From, all accounts, the price paid is very, reasonable, as the ground is good.

22-07-1910 LM Light rain fell here all day on Monday. This was followed at night by a fall of snow, which covered the ground to a depth of two Inches.

22-07-1910 LM As an illustration of the difference between this and last winter, the following will give a good idea. Mr. Larnach last winter bought sheep in the Forbes district at an average price of ten shillings, all in full wool. This season, going to the same district, the only offer he had made for the same class of sheep, was fifteen shillings each in wool, ten shillings each off the shears.

On some stations, he states, not a wether was to be seen, having been rushed into the market. The owners were afraid of a drought. But what a difference since the rain instead of selling, everyone is hanging on, to the jumbucks

The ground here now is too wet to permit of ploughing. Before the rain it was quite the opposite. It being impossible to plough.

Miss Fry, until recently engaged as children's nurse at Mr. A. Stewart's, Dulcis Vale left here on Tuesday, en route to her home in England. Thus another, attracted from the old country has returned.

29-07-1910 LM Variable weather conditions prevail. Not sufficient rain to register and not enough sunshine to keep one away from the fire.

The daughter of Mr. B. Tobin was taken ill on Tuesday night, necessitating a doctor's attendance from Bathurst. He found her suffering from catarrh of the stomach.

Some petty thief has been in our district. Two lads named Byers left some clothes in their camp whilst they went away setting their traps. On their return they found the clothes had disappeared, and the bag which had contained them thrown on the road.

Owing to the scarcity of rabbits here our local trappers are thinking of making to the Turon River to trap for skins.

12-08-1910 LM We had a heavy fall of rain on Tuesday night.

Potatoes here from last planting were almost a failure. One piece of ground lately dug over yielded nineteen bags. The yield from the same piece last was fifty seven bags.

Mr. J. McKinnon, of our neighbouring district, of Palmers Oakey had a small spot on his leg like a mosquito bite. This kept on increasing in size, and when about the size of half-a-crown he went to a chemist in Bathurst. He used his remedies for about twelve days, and then visited a doctor, who said the flesh was dead. After various cutting away operations, and no improvement, it has been decided to send him to Sydney for treatment. Another case here which shows no improvement after having been cut at several times, and internal and external remedies having been regularly used, is the arm of Mr. W. Bonfield, who contracted yoke boils in that limb last shearing season.

A doctor has had two or three visits here lately to Mrs. J. Rourke, sen. He said symptoms of paralysis were showing. Owing to the old lady's age she is eighty he does not hold out much hope.

Mr. G. McKinnon made the boys of the local school a present of a set of rope quirts and a stand, and some of the nippers are becoming experts at the game.

Thank, goodness we have a baker running here, by whom we can get fresh meat from Wattle Flat, and not be like the people of Hill End in the early days. An old resident was telling one that at that place in the aforesaid days, the butcher used to kill a beast, take the carcase to the shop, and the people who wanted meat gathered round him. No proper cutting or weighing took place, but it was chopped in pieces, and each piece held up and the question asked, 'Who wants this?'. Spuds which we would throw away to the pigs, cost 4d per lb. As for bread, you had to walk two miles to meet the baker; if not, go without.

Our local rabbit trapping gang has disbanded owing to there not being enough rabbits here to keep them going.

26-08-1910 LM Fine weather, accompanied by severe frosts, is the prevailing order.

Some of your correspondents have been laying claim to records of longevity, large families, etc. I have now to submit something in the shape of a record. While visiting Mr. F. Tobin on Sunday I was shown an egg, which measured 6 ½ inches round one way and 7 ¼ inches the other. The weight of it was half a pound.

Recently Mr. G. Collins, carrier, took a load of potatoes into Bathurst from Sally's Flat. As thirty three of the tubers weighed one hundredweight, I presume they were a cut above the average

02-09-1910LM No shearing will take place at Dulcis Yale this year, as the sheep are to be sold in the wool. I have heard that 4000 sheep in the Forbes district have been purchased by Mr. A. Stewart. These will be off the shears, as the price, when in full wool was too stiff to allow of the being driven here to leave any profit for the purchaser.

It is rumoured that our local post mistress will soon be leaving s. It is to be hoped that someone can be found to take up her duty, if such be the case. Nice steady rain is falling this morning.

14-09-1910 LM The rainfall for the past fortnight reached 80 points.

A colt by Mambrino Abdullah, and bred by Mr. A. Stewart, was sold during the week to Mr T. Rourke for, I believe, £35. He is just rising two years, and judging by the breeding, ought to make a name for himself on the track.

A pupil of the school, named Frank Barnes, recently underwent an operation for on abscess in the groin. I am pleased to say he is on the mend,

I saw a motor car pass through here the other day going at the rate of about 40 miles an hour. Our local road is a good one to try and break records on, as we have no police here to bail up the scorcher

16-09-1910 LM Mr. W. Grabham, who was recently married here, is meeting with some trouble. His wife is in a private hospital, in Bathurst, where it is thought she will have to undergo an operation for appendicitis. I trust to hear of her speedy recovery.

26-09-1910 LM Yesterday here was the scene of activity among the ladies. After the closing of the school at 4 p.m. a gathering of the clans took place to make a presentation of an oak box of haberdashery and an envelope and stamp-case to Mrs. Lewis. It was in appreciation of her good work in teaching the girls sewing.

I am pleased to be able to report that Mrs. W. Grabham is better of her illness, and is home again.

07-10-1910 LM Heavy rain fell here on Sunday, close on an inch being recorded,

Mr. Miller, Liberal candidate, spoke here last Thursday night. From what I heard, he had a good meeting. Mr. Coates, the Labor candidate speaks here this week.

A member of the Salvation Army visited the district seeking subscriptions for the self-denial fund, our little village responds freely to affairs of this kind.]

Yesterday I was at the residence of Mr. C. Tobin, and was shown a chicken which had four legs and two beaks. One pair of legs were in their right place, but the second pair grew from the middle of the back and turned downwards being longer than the first pair. Needless to say, its life was short.

10-10-1910 LM Mr. Coates, Labor candidate, held a meeting in Mr. Tobin's large kitchen last Wednesday night. I am not going to eulogise him in any respect whatever, but treat him the same as I did the Liberal candidate by saying that he held a large and orderly meeting. As to the latter this district is noted for its well conducted meetings.

A heavy frost was on the ground this morning, which cut the early potatoes and the grape vines.

Mr. Stewart and family are expected home on Tuesday.

I am pleased to be able to say that Mr.W. Bonfield is thoroughly well of his poisoned arm, but Mr. Jas. Tobin is still compelled to use crutches.

14-10-1910 LM Quite a change in the weather occurred here, on Monday and Tuesday. Snow fell on both days. To-day (Wednesday) does not seem as if it will be any better.

Polling will take place here in the public school, the booth having been dispensed with at the post office on this occasion. Although this will cause inconvenience to some. I suppose it is the general rule for State elections.

Mr. A. Stewart arrived home from Springwood on Monday, after a month's holiday at that place.

17-10-1910 LM We experienced a glorious day here for the election, the weather being perfect.

From what I have heard, the votes recorded (60) were a record for this place. The voting here was as follows. Coates, 30; Miller, 28; informal, 2

09-11-1910 LM The shearers at Mr. Stewart's are busy cutting out. The number put through is low this season, only about 2400 being shorn. The sheep being big and rough, the highest tally for one man for the day was 104. The school children were taken up to the shed on Thursday and saw the expert shear a sheep, and also had the working of the machines etc., explained to them.

Snakes are pretty numerous, several having been killed. Quite recently, Mrs. B. Tobin sent her little daughter to get the eggs from a nest. On going into the fowl-house she saw something in the box, and informed her mother. On the mother looking she saw a snake coiled up around the four eggs. Her brother despatched it. In the snake nine young ones were found.

Rain is badly needed here, as the vegetation is drying off rapidly, and crops if you can call them so are at a standstill. The only thing which seems to do well at all are the rabbits. At present they are pretty numerous.

25-11-1910 LM Light rain fall here yesterday 55 points being registered. A weekly repetition would be very acceptable, as the herbage etc. wears a gloomy aspect.

Shearing is being carried out at Mr. Sam Tobin's place. The clip from Dulcis Vale was 74 bales.

A man who was scrub cutting for Mrs. McKinnon lately, had the bad luck to fall on his axe, which inflicted a serious gash in the wrist, rendering him unfit for work.

A gang of rabbiters, strangers to the district were engaged trapping here lately, but the kittens proved too numerous for them, so they took their departure in very short space of time.

The question "What is meant by the Torrid Zones?" was asked in the local school lately. One answer was "The lands which lie near the Creator".

05-12-1910 LM The weather all the week has been unsettled. Up to Thursday night we had seventy five points of rain. It is raining fairly heavy again this, (Saturday) morning.

One local young lady was operated on yesterday at a private hospital in Bathurst for appendicitis. Other members of the family are suffering from measles.

Shearing has finished at Mr. W. Graham's. Besides his own sheep, those of Messrs. Morgan, Ferguson, and Wilson were put through on contract. Shearing is being carried on at Mr. S. Tobin's, but the showers we have been having cause delays.

A new family has arrived here to take charge of Dulcis Vale, during the twelve months absence of Mr. A. Stewart.

Although poisoning has been persistently carried out, no decrease, in rabbits is noticeable.

Corn and potato crops here look well, but wheat is a back number.

09-12-1910 LM Mr. James Rutherford, of Hereford, reported to the last meeting of the Turon Shire Council that he had disposed of land in the parishes of Winburn, Wyagdon, and Jesse, comprising 6457 acres, to Mr. William Grabham, of Limekilns, for £1477.

14-12-1910 LM Our adjoining district of Holly Brook will soon have seen the last of its school building, which has been purchased by Mrs. Atcheson. It is to be removed to close to Kelso, where it will help to form part of a residence.

The inspector a visit to the local school to-day and was greatly pleased with the progress made by the children. A half-holiday was granted.

Measles are making their appearance here. The members of two families are now suffering.

16-12-1910 NA Fire at Limekilns. A hut belonging to Mr. McEvoy, at Limekilns, was together with its contents, consumed by fire yesterday. The damage is estimated at about £20. The origin of the fire is unknown.

04-01-1911 NA A resident of Limekilns writes stating that some inquiry should be made in regard to the fire which occurred at Mr. P. McEvoy's. He says that people at Limekilns have been wrongfully accused of causing the fire, and he thinks that an official inquiry would result in clearing the matter up, and bringing the authors to justice. The correspondent adds that the facts warrant an investigation.

14-01-1911 BT Mr. W. A. Larnach, of Limekilns, yesterday brought, under the notice of the Bathurst Pastures Protection Board the need of a water reserve on the Limekilns Road, for travelling stock, as at present there was no way of obtaining water for stock, or for the use of the travelling public, on the road between Limekilns to Bathurst, 15 miles without trespassing. The Board decided that Mr. John Miller be asked to approach the Minister with a view to having two acres near the bridge over the Clear Creek on the Limekilns road resumed for a camping and water reserve

27-01-1911 LM Stripping is being carried out here at present, but from what I can hear, returns for grain are not very bright. Some of the wheat crops were that poor they were cut for hay.

While Mr. H. McKinnon and his sister (Mrs. Ingram) were travelling recently to attend the funeral of their cousin at Wattle Flat, the horse fell and both occupants were thrown out. Mr. McKinnon escaped with a slight shaking



but Mrs. Ingram was unfortunate enough to break her arm. Not being sure that it was broken, a delay in seeing a medical man occurred with the consequence that when the doctor was seen, chloroform had to be administered to set the arm. I hope to hear of her speedy recovery.

A brown snake was killed recently close to the school residence, by Mr. Bayliss. I Believe that the bottom of the school ground was at one time a regular hotbed for them.

Polling for the Shire Council takes place on Saturday at the public school. As regards the referendum, I consider it a farce, as Kelso must win every time. My opinion is that the two councillors seeking re-election will again be returned.

Military training does not affect many of the local lads, only two having had to register their names.

06-02-1911 LM From what I can hear, two of our local people are going in for Lucerne cultivation. One is going to put in thirty acres and the other 100 acres.

The local school at last owns a clock, one arriving here from Sydney last Monday.

The Holly Brook school building, which was sold some time ago has been rebuilt, and is to be used as a lying in home.

The corn and potato crops about look well, and everything points to a good yield of those two commodities.

10-02-1911 LM Rain fell almost unceasingly from Friday until yesterday (Monday). Altogether three inches were recorded.

A good field of corn can be seen here, at Mr. McKinnon's. I am led to believe that ninety-day corn never attains a very great height, but his is 10 feet high.

Despite all operations to destroy them, the rabbits are here in thousands.

03-03-1911 LM A paddock of lucerne here was eaten off bare by sheep six weeks ago, but after a short spell the sheep which have been put on it to fatten are scarcely visible.

Mr. A Stewart sold an aged draught brood mare for a good figure, Mr. Brown, of Running Stream, being the purchaser.

Several loads of honey have left, the district lately, but the wet weather is against the apiarists.

Mrs. W. McCudden left here yesterday for Badangora to sell the house which she lately occupied there.

Poisoning operations are being carried out here, but there is too much herbage for bunny to tackle it.

29-03-1911 LM Considerable difficulty arose over a successor to the local postmistress, who is leaving the district at the end of the month. A departmental rule says, The office must be on the main road. As most of the residents homes are not situated that way, and the one or two residents who were would not accept the responsibility, and things were at a deadlock. To save the place from losing the office, the local schoolteacher has consented to carry out the work, providing his department raises no objections.

The frosts have paid us a visit and levelled tomato bushes, etc., to the ground.

07-04-1911 LM A mob of mixed cattle arrived here recently for Mr. A. Stewart, of Dulcis Vale, in the mob was a cow, which is intended for show purposes. I am not much of a judge of cattle only when killed and roasted but judging by appearances, this one ought to be a winner.

26-04-1911 LM Tanks all round want replenishing.

I am sorry to report the illness of two of the school children of different families both of whom, are suffering from scarlet fever.

Alter a lot of trouble over the post office, the bother is now settled, as the same is carried on at the local school. The first mail was received there on Wednesday.

A gang of rabbits are engaged here making a living for themselves and trying to do some good for the squatters.

It speaks well of this district for honey that one of our local apiarists carried off the majority of prizes at the Sydney Show.

12-05-1911 LM With reference to telephonic communication with this district, Mr. B. Tobin received through Mr. Cerr. M.P., a letter stating that the department was prepared to carry out the work for a sum of £193 some odd shillings and pence. The distance is, about 8 ½ miles, and the residents look upon this as an exorbitant sum. When convenient, a meeting will be held to consider for what sum the work could be done by the local people.

A little excitement was caused here on Monday, when the horses attached to an Indian hawker's van bolted. They continued their career until the van overturned. A general mixture of stuff was strewn on the road. One male resident picked up three pocket full of buttons, offered them to the hawker, but was told to keep them. Later on a large fire was seen, and the Indian tossing flannel shirts, etc., into it. It seems a bottle of chutney had broken and got mixed up with the goods, hence the destruction of same.

17-05-1911 LM The badly wanted rain started to fall on Wednesday night and continued at intervals on Thursday and Friday, 110 points were registered. Ploughing operations will not be proceeded with.

Food must be getting scarce at Wattle Flat, as a mob of about 20 head of cattle is trying to eke out an existence on the grass growing along the sides of our local road, and on such paddocks as they can break into.

From a good authority I heard that the dredge at Wattle Flat has closed down and is now under offer of sale.

31-05-1911 LM On and off it has been raining during the past week. As I am writing this it is again pouring down. Needless to say everyone is jubilant as ploughing can now be carried out.

Mr. C. Tobin is erecting a new residence here for his brother, Mr. T. Tobin, on the latter's ground. :

A fox paid a visit to a local fowl-house on Thursday night. He succeeded in getting a fine plump rooster, but had not gone many yards with it, when he had to drop his tucker and take to his heels, through the dog setting sail after him.

To show how some of the flats here have been covered with thistles, one man was busy yesterday with a mowing machine cutting them down and burning them preparatory, to ploughing the ground.

I am pleased to say the children who had the scarlet fever are well again, and owing to, the precautions taken by their parents, the disease will spread no further.

07-06-1911 LM Since my last, two fresh cases of scarlet fever have broken out, the same being two daughters of Mr. D. Tobin. This makes five cases in that home up to the present.

Mr. Bayliss is busy ploughing a paddock of one hundred acres for Mr. A. Stewart. When finished, lucerne is to be sown.

A fox was put into a log here yesterday morning, in consequence of being hard pressed by a dog. He was speedily despatched by a bullet from a friendly pea-rifle.

Since the rain the district is beginning to wear a pleasant aspect again.

15-06-1911 NA PERSONAL The death occurred yesterday morning of Mr. Henry Melton, at his residence, Lambert-street, Bathurst. The deceased had been ailing for a number of years, and had been confined to his room for the past three months, death being due to senile decay. The late Mr. Melton was 77 years of age, and had been 47 years in the district, carrying on as a farmer and grazier, at Limekilns. He was married at St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney, 56 years ago, and his wife died nine years ago. He leaves four sons, Messrs. William Thomas (of Tamworth), Francis (Wallerawang), and James (Mudgee), all married, and three daughters, Mrs. E. Gaffney (Goodooga), and Mrs. A. Johnston and Mrs. K. Cowlen, besides 34 grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren

15-06-1911 NA FUNERAL. MELTON. The friends of Messrs. William, Thomas, Francis and James Melton and families are kindly invited to attend the funeral of their late dearly beloved father and grand-father (Henry Melton) to move from his late residence No. 1 Lambert street, to-morrow (Friday) morning, at 7 o'clock, for the Catholic cemetery, Wattle Flat, via Limekilns. Mrs. WELLINGTON & SON, Undertakers 164 William st.

19-06-1911 LM Yesterday here was a delightful day and in consequence, the picnic held passed off most pleasantly. After the picnic, lovers of dancing adjourned to the residence of Mr. A. Davison, to trip the light fantastic. Music was supplied by Mr. W. Atcheson (concertina), and Mr. G. Parr, of Dark Corner (Violin), both noted for their playing. During the evening songs were rendered by Miss Casey, a visitor from Bathurst, and by Messrs. Casey, Wilson, and Lewis. Clog dances were also given by Mrs. Atcheson, and Mr. P. McEvoy. From the applause received every item was greatly appreciated. Visitors came from Bathurst, Wattle Flat, and Dark Corner. The function was given by the single men, of the district, who deserve all credit for the way they catered for the married ones. Mr. A. Davison deserves special praise for his untiring zeal in making the affair so great a success and also for his kindness to visitors. A vote of thanks to the single men was carried. At 4-30 all made homewards after a most enjoyable evening.

The funeral of the late Mr. Melton passed through here yesterday at noon, from Bathurst to Wattle Flat. As the old gentleman was a one-time resident of this locality, a fair number of residents paid their last respects by attending

23-06-1911 LM Severe weather has prevailed for the last three days. Last night the wind blew with hurricane force, and in doing its best this morning to shift roofs, etc. Snow also started to fall this morning. The hills around are covered with it.

26-06-1911 LM A farewell social was tendered to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Tobin, on Wednesday night, at the residence of Mr. B. Tobin. Although the night was bitterly cold about fifteen couples attended. The thanks of those present were conveyed to Messrs. W. Wilson, J. Wilson, G. McKinnon, and J. Tobin, jun., who worked assiduously to make the function the success it undoubtedly was. Mr. Lewis in a creditable speech eulogised the worth of Mr. and Mrs. C. Tobin as neighbours and citizens, and regretted the early departure of the latter. On behalf of those present he wished them every success in their new home. Mr. C. Tobin is going to Milltown to manage a farm for Mr. T. Field, of Kelso.

Dogs are committing havoc among the sheep here, several owners having reported losses.

A fox was found dead in the RC. Church here lately. It had got in somehow, and failed to get out again.

The weather this week has been against the trappers, but a swinging load went in from here yesterday. Mrs. W. Lamach and her sister, the latter having been on a holiday here, have gone to Forbes, to the residence of their parents, for a holiday there.

26-06-1911 LM This morning was a red-letter day for frost, it being the coldest, experienced so far this winter. In fact, it must have been a twin frost.

Coronation Day passed off quietly here, a few fireworks and a salute from a double-barrelled gun being the only excitement.

07-07-1911 LM Heavy frosts, tanks and water taps frozen causing a few prayers to be uttered, followed by fine days, are the general order here.

Messrs. McKinnon are busy digging a paddock of potatoes, and judging from samples, the same is a splendid crop.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Tobin left the district last Saturday, the former to take charge of a farm at Milltown. All regret their departure, and wish them every success.

Mr. Bayliss has finished ploughing a paddock of 100 acres for Mr. A. Stewart. I hear than the latter has given orders for about another 200 acres to be turned over. When sown this ought to prove a nice little lucerne patch.

Colds are prevalent in this district, those unfortunate enough to contract them are suffering severely from aches and pains.

Mr. W. Grabham has been experimenting with some mixture which is supposed to kill the timber outright after ringing. It has proved effective in all but the woollybutt.

21-07-1911 LM At present we are enjoying delightful weather, rain one day and sunshine the next, in consequence of which the country is looking tip-top.

One of our local residents wrote lately to get particulars as to how he could have his honey brought under the Pure Foods Act, but the reply from headquarters was very vague, and has left him no wiser than before.

While jumping over a log recently Mr. W. McCudden, got tangled in some barbed wire resulting in a nasty rip on the knee.

A boy of 14 years of age here has made over £5 in two months through rabbit skins, having trapped the rabbits in his spare time.

28-07-1911 LM This morning (Wednesday) and yesterday morning we experienced two exceptionally heavy frosts.

I witnessed recently a splendid exhibition of bullock-driving and drawing of logs. Messrs. E. and G. McKinnon had engaged Mr. Duncan. Ferguson of Palmers Oakey, and his sixteen bullocks to clear the ground of trees which had been grubbed out. Some of the stumps must have weighed some tons, and to see the way those bullocks pulled, and the intricate positions they would get into was a veritable eye opener to me. Mr. G. McKinnon was slightly hurt, owing to his not getting his lever from under a log at the same time as his mates did, thus having to bear the weight of the whole log. The lever was on his shoulder consequently he suffered some pain, but luckily escaped serious injury.

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DUNCAN, EWEN McCOLL, BILL SMITH, LEN, JANE, ALICE.

There is some talk here of having a fox drive. It is needed, as Reynard is on the increase.

A new organ, has been placed in the residence of Mrs. Atcheson, to be used for church services. It was wanted badly, as service without music, is as bad as service with a parson who reads his sermon.

04-08-1911 LM The fox drive held last Saturday resulted in the death of one fox, which fell to the gun of Mr. T. Tobin. Mr. J. Wilson accounted for five wallabies, and Mr. F. Tobin one. Owing to business engagements, only six shooters turned up. Another drive is to be held next Saturday, when a better muster of shooters is expected.

An eight-horse load of potatoes left here on Tuesday, and the tubers were the property of Messrs. E. and G. McKinnon, and S. Tobin.

What price jumbucks at 17/10 ? At least that, was the price obtained for a lot of local fats at Sydney, the property of Mr. A. W. Stewart.

11-08-1911 LM LIMEKILNS. The attendance at the fox drive held last Saturday was poorer than on the previous Saturday. Still one fox met his doom, Mr. John Tobin being responsible for the same. It was rather unfortunate for Reynard, as the shooter had left his line, thinking all the drivers were up, but on being told there was another driver to come up on the wing, he went back again, with the result aforesaid.

The eldest son of Mr. W. Larnach had a rather unpleasant experience with a cow here recently. He was tossed as high as a three-rail fence, but, luckily for him, the cow was driven off before further damage was done.

Mr. C. McKinnon took away a hundred fat sheep on Monday night for Sydney. I trust the same will realise a good figure.

18-08-1911 LM A nice showier fell here on Saturday night but not sufficient to do any good, this was succeeded this (Tuesday) morning by a heavy frost.

As Mrs. McCudden and Miss Nelly Rourke were returning from Bathurst this afternoon in a sulky, the horse took fright at Mr. Stewart's motor car, which was returning to town. The result was that Miss Rourke was thrown out, the wheel of the sulky passing over her neck, but miraculously causing no injury to the same. Nevertheless, she was rather severely cut about and is suffering from shock.

30-08-1911 LM This week has been a miserable one. Rain has fallen almost every day, but only half an-inch was registered.

The Wattle Flat constable was around the district on Wednesday collecting names for the State roll.

Work is proceeding apace at Mr. Stewart's and Messrs. McKinnon's, putting wire netting etc., up ready for sowing Lucerne in the enclosed ground.

From what I heard, gypsies have been playing up high-jinks at Wattle Flat and Sofala.

08-09-1911 LM A gang of trappers arrived here to-day to try their luck. They have been trapping lately at Fremantle. Although rain has fallen for last three days only points have been registered.

What with a gang rabbits, and another of poisoners, the rabbits here getting a hot time of it. One trapper caught one hundred and eighty five pairs of large rabbits in four nights. Considering the number of kittens about this takes some beating.

Lucerne sowing is being carried out at Mr. Stewarts by means of a cultivator, bought by the gentleman recently. About two hundred and fifty acres are to be sown. Mr. McKinnon is busy ploughing, ready to get his ground also sown with Lucerne.

Miss. F. Murphy who until recently resided in this district, was operated on at Prince Alfred Hospital for appendix. I am pleased to say she is progressing favourably. Strange to say her sister was operated on for the same complaint.

Mr. G. Wilson has removed his cottage from Clear Creek with the intention to re-erect it at Paling Yards.

11-09-1911 BT Money in Rabbits. What with a gang of rabbits, and another of poisoners, the rabbits at Limekilns are getting a hot time of it. One trapper caught one hundred and eighty-five pairs of large rabbits in four nights. Considering the number of kittens about, this takes some beating.

29-09-1911 LM It rained here all last night, and this morning (Wednesday) it is still going strong, consequently the farmers and squatters are jubilant.

A horse which was drawing a load of furniture with two children on the top fell while going down a bit of a hill here, with the result that both children were thrown to the road. Luckily neither was hurt.

The school picnic and sports are to be held here on Saturday next. All the residents have liberally subscribed, so the nippers ought, to have a royal time.

A young lady resident, Miss H. Tobin, some years ago had the misfortune to be hit in the eye with a piece of glass, which rendered that organ sightless. This eye is now causing her a lot of trouble, and on interviewing the doctor she was told that it would have to be taken out. Otherwise the other would be affected, and she would lose the sight of it also. She was to have been operated on yesterday.

02-10-1911 LM Rain and hail have fallen almost incessantly since my last letter of Wednesday, altogether 2 ¾ inches have fallen, and in consequence all the creeks are running bankers.

The horse, belonging to Mr. T. Rourke, which brings us our staff of life here, bolted during his round last Tuesday. The cart was overturned, and bread and beef were scattered on the road. The stop was broken off, but the driver escaped with a slight shaking and a torn coat sleeve.

I am sorry to have to report the illness of two sisters, both school girls, Gladys and Molly McCudden, who are suffering from some affection of the throat.

Preparations are being made for shearing, which will start here on the tenth of the month.

06-10-1911 LM An ideal day broke for the school picnic last Saturday. A great crowd consisting of parents and scholars, congregated to take advantage of the first fine day of last week. Every child on the ground received a prize. Some of the school children won as many as four prizes, all of a useful nature. Messrs. W. Larnach and B. Tobin acted as handicappers and starters for the races, while Messrs. J. Wilson, J. Byers, and G. McKinnon acted as judges. Mr. J. Miller, M. L. A., was unavoidably absent.

Through the courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. B. Tobin, who allowed the use of their store room, a dance was held after the picnic. Master. J. McCudden acted as musician, and Mr. G. McKinnon as M.C. Songs were rendered by Miss Lewis, L. Tobin, and A. Seabrook.

A thunderstorm passed over here, to-day, and a couple of nice showers fell.

13-10-1911 LM Another nice thunderstorm passed over here on Monday, forty points being registered.

Shearing should have started at Dulcis Vale to-day (Tuesday) but owing to the rain will not start until next Monday.

The apiarists here are busy, Mr. B. Tobin has gone to Pyramul to look after his bees, and Mr. W. T. Seabrook has arrived from Sydney to look after his lot.

Severe colds, accompanied by vomiting, are giving the little ones a trying time.

A mare, the property of Mr. T. Matthews, gave birth to a foal with only three legs. When found the foal was dead; Last year the mare gave birth to twin foals, both of which, however, died.

01-11-1911 LM Shearing is being carried out at Dulcis Vale, but owing to light showers of no use, only to wet the sheep, full time cannot be worked.

On Thursday, morning we had a severe frost, which cut spuds, tomatoes, etc., to the ground.

Mr. E. McKinnon had the bad luck to have his leg injured, incapacitating him for the better part of this week. He was mustering sheep at the time.

Snakes are making their appearance. One was shot by Master J. McCudden on his way home from the Paling Yards

03-11-1911 B F P ACCIDENT IN A SHEARING SHED. | James Graham, 28, unmarried, a resident of Dark Corner, was working at his brother's shearing shed at Limekilns, when two bales of wool fell on the back of his neck. When extricated he was found to be partially paralysed.

07-11-1911 BT Fatal Accident. A Limekilns correspondent writes that an accident which occurred to Mr. James Grabham at that centre last week has proved fatal. The deceased was loading wool on a wagon, when by some means a bale fell off and struck him either on the neck or the back. Constable Head, who happened to be at the shearing shed at the time, promptly galloped to Peel and wired for a doctor to Bathurst. The doctor was soon on the scene, and after making an examination of the patient, said it would be impossible for him to live more than four days. Widespread sympathy is extended to his relatives, on account of the popularity of the injured young man.

10-11-1911 LM A shearer here named Haynes met with a slight accident on Tuesday. He was taking the wool from a sheep's head, when the sheep kicked the machine, with the result that the comb stuck into the shearer's arm, making a jagged wound.

Given fine weather shearing will cut out at Dulcis Vale on Saturday..

The price of bread has gone up to 4d. I have not heard that the wages have gone up, or yet the price of flour, and jam, therefore, waiting an explanation, or justification, of the rise.

17-11-1911 LM Shearing cut out at Dulcis Vale last Saturday. The yield was about one hundred and sixty bales. Three of the shearers went straight to Mr. W. Grabham's shed, which started on Monday.

Mr. W. Seabrook had a narrow squeak here recently, he was walking through the grass on the way to his beehives, when he trod on a brown snake. The reptile hit him on the boot. Doing a few yards in less than evens, he took the boot off, but luckily the teeth had not penetrated the flesh.

The weather has been exceedingly hot and to make things worse, a bush fire with a front of twenty-one miles, has been raging for a week. The fire I am informed, is extending to Sunny Corner.

27-11-1911 LM Nice rain fell here last Wednesday and again last night, consequently the air is much cooler. All tanks that were low are full again.

A brown snake, 6ft long was killed on the lawn at Mr. Stewarts yesterday, the place is used very much by the children, the reptile is well rid of.

About seven months ago Mr. P. Tobin sent two postal notes through by post. The said notes went astray. After a good deal of correspondence with the department, he received duplicate notes yesterday

We may not have the champion egg here, but we have a champion runner here, aged 72. For exercise he sprints round a paddock, containing about three acres, two or three times each morning. If sufficient inducements are offered a match with any other cracks may be made.

06-12-1911 LM Mr. T. Tobin pulled three fair sized boxes of strawberries from his bushes on Thursday for market.

Bee-keeping continues to be profitable here. Thirty hives for Mr. W. Seabrooks and twenty eight for Mr. P. McCudden arrived here yesterday night. They were purchased at Gordon.

An effort is to be made to have local J.P. created. When papers have to be signed, it necessitates a trip to Bathurst, 18 ½ miles.

00-00-1911 Mr & Mrs Larnach had a son Harold W Larnach in Bathurst.

20-12-1911 LM Farmers and squatters are busy repairing fences, etc., after the recent floods. As a result of the floods, the creeks have had a good cleaning out, and some nice bathing holes are now to be found.

Messrs. McKinnon are busy dipping their sheep, and also those of other residents. The former have been busy cutting their lucerne. A second crop was ready to cut before the first was carted in.

Mr. W. Larnach, of Dulcis Vale, is extending a lucerne paddock so as to take in a piece of land having water in it, and also a few trees for shade. He could not obtain labor to cut the lucerne, so the jumbucks were turned in on it.

One resident has such a quantity of strawberries that he is selling them at 2s a bucket.

The house-to-house school which was applied for the Upper Turon and Paling Yards has been refused.

02-02-1912 LM Hot days, accompanied by easterly winds, have had a good run here lately. As a result, the district is beginning to wear a sorry aspect. The corn crops have recovered from the effects of the frost at Christmas time, but unless rain falls very soon, good yields cannot be expected.

I am sorry to say that Mr. Seabrook, senr., who went to Sydney recently, has had a paralytic stroke. Mumps are prevalent in the district, and some of the adults had a pretty bad time of it. Some children are still suffering.

At present the bee farmers are engaged extracting, but, from what a couple of them told me, the season has been a very poor one.

Snakes continue to intrude, and thus lose their lives. One shot at Mr. Atcheson's place, got in between the wall somehow and died there. Consequently disinfectant had to be freely used, until he was got. At another place, I hear, no less than three have made their home under the house.

06-02-1912 BT There is an abundance of fruit in the district, but as the orchards are not under Government inspection no fruit can be sold. This means that the crows and rozellas are having a glorious time.

12-02-1912 LM A girl named Ivy Cox, aged 12, died suddenly at Wattle Flat on Wednesday night. On Monday, while she was at school, her nose bled profusely, and she was sent home. Nothing further seemed wrong with her, but on Wednesday night she complained of a pain in the pit of her stomach, and a headache, both of which, she said, were slight. The usual household remedies were given, but she got no better. At 11.30 p.m. she became unconscious, and before the doctor could reach the girl's home she was dead. I don't know if any inquiry was held, but the funeral took place on Friday morning. A strange thing previous to this, two other young children of the same family both died suddenly.

A local lady here was that close to a snake that she thought she was bitten by it, and rubbed ammonia on where the supposed bite was. Luckily it proved a false alarm.

28-02-1912 LM Speaking to one of a gang of trappers who are here I asked him did they get many snakes whilst trapping. He informed me he killed a tiger snake six feet long on Thursday. His brother was setting a trap, when looking round he saw the snake within a few feet of him. He watched it until the brother got a stick and settled it.

Some of the residents of Holly Brook are turning in an honest penny by picking blackberries and marketing same.

Local beekeepers are busy at present. One of them is fitting sections into his hives, so as to have them ready for the forthcoming Sydney Show.

I think the mumps have about run their course here, as no fresh cases have broken out.

W. Schofield, who is carting rabbits from here, had a valuable horse crippled on Thursday night. It was hobbled in a paddock, and the other horses got to it, and gave it a severe kicking.

Mrs. J. McKinnon received word that her brother-in-law at Wattle Flat is seriously ill.

I had a letter from a friend just out of Bathurst, in which he informed me that the corn crops there were a failure. I also noticed that the crops at Wattle Flat, were the same. We will have fair crops here, but nothing like they should be.

06-03-1912 LM Light rain is falling this (Saturday.) morning, and the weather looks to be unsettled. Close on two inches of rain fell for the fortnight.

The school-teacher's son met with a slight but painful accident on Thursday, he was swinging on a swing, and jumped. He fell on his hand and dislocated, the wrist.

While Mr. W. Schofield was setting a trap on Thursday, he saw a snake close by, making his way down a root hole, and despatched it with a setter. While Mr. Lewis was riding a bike to Wattle Flat on the same afternoon, he ran over a snake, which was making its way across the road. He got off the bike, and with a couple of well-directed throws settled it by means of stones. When measured it was five feet seven inches long. Both were of the brown species.

The rosellas seem to have given up the fruit, as they are now making onslaughts on the corn crops. The yields would have been poor enough if let alone but when the birds have finished the farmers will have a good number of cobs less to pick.

07-03-1912 BT Sale of Freehold Property. PALMER & McPHILLAMY have Received instructions from Mrs. Brett to Sell by Public Auction, at the ROYAL HOTEL, BATHURST, on FRIDAY, MARCH 15th, At 3 o'clock, 100 ACRES OF FREEHOLD LAND AND COTTAGE, Situated on Bread and Butter Creek, Limekilns road, 13 miles from Bathurst, and 4 miles from Peel.

08-03-1912 LM A valuable horse, belonging to Mr. A. Stewart, dropped dead on Sunday. It had been brought in from the paddock to be taken to Bathurst. Investigation revealed that a lump had formed in the throat and choked it.

While Mr. Nesbitt, the Presbyterian minister, was on his way out here to hold service on Sunday, the motor bike went "bung" and had to be left at Clear Creek. Fortunately, Mr. Jago was driving out, and brought the minister along in time for service.

Mass was celebrated yesterday by Bishop Dunn, assisted by Father Corbett, at the residence of Mr. D. Tobin. Confirmation was held immediately after, when eight candidates were presented.

One of our local bee-farmers who won the champion prize at the R.A.S. Show last year, says he has some splendid stuff to exhibit this year. The last extraction of honey here was very dark, due I am told to its being got from stringy-bark blossoms.

22-03-1912 LM For the last two days a bush fire has been raging on the mountains here. Although very fierce at times, no damage barring the burning of dead timber has resulted. The locality of the fire is destitute of grass.

A property at Holly Brook of 150 acres, owned by Mrs. Brett, was sold recently, Mr. W. Sinclair, being the purchaser.

The potato crops here are very poor, the tubers being of very small size. The potato fly has put in an appearance, and is making havoc on the tops,

I am pleased to say that Mr. C. Tobin, who has been away for some considerable time managing a station in Bathurst takes up his residence with us again tomorrow.

One of our local residents estimates his yield of tomatoes at half-a-ton. A lot of the crops were failures,

20-03-1912 LM. As Mr. J. Tobin was going into Bathurst one day during the week, the horse he was driving dropped dead. .

One of our local apiarists left on Thursday to get his exhibit ready for the Sydney show.

Mr. A. Seabrook, sen., who visited Sydney before Christmas on a holiday, and there was seized with a paralytic stroke, has recovered and will be home to-day.

The gang of rabbiters has left here for ground where rabbits are more plentiful.



Foxes are on the increase. Several have been seen around lately and the poultry are shut up.

15-04-1912 LM. What might have resulted in serious injury, if not death, happened here yesterday. Mr. Sam Armour, a visitor from Sydney, was riding on his motor bike when the end of the cylinder blew out, it dinged the oil tank and bent the top bar of the machine. The piston rod kept on working until it was also smashed. In consequence Mr. Armour has to travel back, by train, and has shortened his visit here.

The weather is still dry and residents are digging holes in the beds of the creeks to obtain water. |

Messrs. McKinnon are busy pulling their corn, which, contrary to expectations, is yielding well. The potato crops are an absolute failure, as, besides being small, they are infested with grubs.

Mrs. Larnach met with a nasty cut on the wrist while cleaning out a basin: It seems the knife slipped and caused the trouble

22-04-1912 NA PROBATE In the Will of MARY TOBIN, late of Limekilns, near Bathurst, in the State of New South Wales, widow, 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 THOMAS TOBIN, JOSEPH TOBIN, MICHAEL TOBIN and DENNIS TOBIN, the Executors named in the said Will, and all notices may be served at, and creditors are requested to send in their claims to, the office of the undersigned. EDWARD MICHAEL FINN, Proctor for Executors, Gaskill street, Canowindra. Sydney agents, Barry and Norris, Solicitors, Belmont Chambers, Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

29-04-1912 LM I was in hopes that the drought had broken up, but the rain last Sunday 30 points, was succeeded by heavy frosts. Some water, was put in the house tanks by the fall, but the rainfall was of no use to stock or herbage.

Mr; Din. Tobin has to bail water from an old mining shaft for his sheep, and has been compelled to shift 300 to other pastures.

A much needed work, the cleaning out of the school well, was carried out by Messrs. G. McKinnon and C. Tobin yesterday. The water previous to the cleaning out, was evil-smelling, and was useless for anything. The work could not have been carried out only the dry spell had lessened the supply of water, ploughing operations are at a standstill, as the ground is too hard.

Three residents have gone to the Upper Turon, poisoning for rabbits. The first night accounted for two foxes and a great number of rabbits, but since the rain the latter have shied off the baits, although grass is scarce

17-05-1912 LM Frosts and continued dry weather still prevail. On all sides, people can be seen driving stock to water or else drawing that commodity for domestic purposes.

Something uncommon in the shape of a white wallaby was shot here a few days ago by Mr. F. McCudden.

A fox drive was held last Saturday, but owing to the small roll up of shooters, the game got was scarce. One fox and two wallabies were the result.

A meeting with reference to telephonic communication to this place was held at Mr. B. Tobin's on Saturday night. There was a good roll up and it was decided that the work be carried out. Mr. Carr, M.P. is doing all possible for the residents in reference to this.

A string of cattle from Wattle Flat can be seen along our local road. What they are subsisting on is a perfect puzzle, as the grass is gone from along the sides of the road. Sheep have been seen eating dead rabbits, and cows eating horse-droppings.

14-06-1912 LM After a day's wind of hurricane force rain started Sunday night and continued all day Monday. As a result the dams have water in for stock and the domestic tanks are full. Ploughing operations can also be carried out, 172 points were recorded.

A piece of road-work which has needed attention ever since the road was formed is at last being carried out. A bend on Kearney's Hill, which was at all times dangerous, and looked like a cross between an acute angle and a man's elbow, when he has a glass, to his mouth, is at last being made straight. As Messrs. C. and S. Tobin (two local people) together with Mr. G. Bender, the road, maintenance man, are engaged on the work, we can depend it will be well carried out

Some local residents have obtained a few foxes by means of poisoned baits. Your correspondent found one about two miles away from his home (not the fox's home) which had been poisoned, and took his jacket off. Rabbits are almost as scarce: as sovereigns, a day's walk revealing no more than, a dozen or two.

Mr. A. Seabrook, aged 73 years, walked from his home to Wattle Flat and back a distance of 20 miles, to get some papers' regarding the invalid pension attended to. He walked the 10 miles to the Flat (mostly up-hill), in two hours and a half. Not too bad for a veteran. An other gent. Mr. A. McKinnon, 80 years of age, walked from the Flat to see his relatives here, and had the audacity to wish to walk back again. His relatives would not hear of it, and drove him home again in a sulky.

26-06-1912 LM New Justices of the Peace. William Archibald Larnach, "Dulcis Vale".

28-06-1912 LM Light rain started to fall on Sunday afternoon. The same night the wind roared, and in one instance partly unroofed a house here, the sheets of iron being twisted into all shapes. On the Monday morning the house keepers were hunting for any buckets which had been left out overnight, it also rained most of the day and at times pretty heavily.

Most of the farmers are busy ploughing having decided to take a risk by sowing late crops of wheat.

A load of 51 bags of corn the property of Messrs. McKinnon Brothers, went from here recently. As 5s a bushel was offered at the farm a far better price must have been realised.

A lady resident, Mrs. Charles Tobin has just returned from Lithgow having been there on a visit. She speaks highly of the processes carried on at the ironworks.

17-07-1912 LM The foxes here have had a rough time of it lately with poisoned baits. Several have been found dead in close proximity to some of the residents houses, and numbers have been found on the trail.

Some of the Wattle Flat stock owners were lucky in that Mr. A. Davison, of here had a good grazing paddock to which they could send their starving stock.

Fencing new ground in for cultivation, ploughing and grubbing are going on apace.

29-07-1912 LM With the exception of Monday, rain has fallen every day this week. Only a little over an inch was recorded.

Mr. Gordon Stewart, surveyor, is at present located here, attending to a couple of blocks of land taken up lately by local residents.

Messrs. McKinnon Bros, have just finished digging their crop of potatoes, which, considering the acreage of ground, was very poor. At the roots of one stalk a hen egg was found, which, on being broken was full of water.

Owing to the wet weather two local people have been compelled to stay at home instead of going to the Turon, rabbit trapping. Considering the price of skins, and the number of rabbits caught, this means a big loss.

Repairs to the road are just about finished. Metal has been obtained from Mr. Grabham's property for the carrying out of same. Judging by the number of motor cars which have travelled this road to Hill End, the other road must be in a very bad condition.

07-08-1912 BT. While at Limekilns the surveyors inspected a block of 4000 acres at Mount Horrible, which is to be thrown open. If no better ground can be made available, it's a poor look-out for settlers. The late Mr. Tom Tobin tried to improve some of the mountain one time. When the trees died, a plentiful crop of thistles sprang up, but no grass. Later on the ground seemed to fret away; and left only bare rock, plainly showing that the roots of the trees held the ground together.

12-08-1912 LM A nasty accident occurred last Thursday at Turon River to one of our local residents, Mr. T. Wilson. One report heard is that he was aiming at a bird and that his gun burst, blowing the top joint of the index finger on the left hand, and the flesh from some of the other fingers. Another report was that prior to aiming at the bird which was intended as a fox bait he put his finger down the barrel to clean out some grit, and accidentally pulled the trigger while doing so, with the result that the joint of the finger was blown off. I am inclined to believe the latter report. First aid was rendered by the ladies at the station where Mr. Wilson was working, and a sulky placed at the disposal of Mr. J. Byers, to take the sufferer to the hospital. Whichever report may be correct, Mr. Wilson has the sympathy of all here.

We had a severe frost here yesterday morning, the first for some time.

A tennis match is to be played to-day at Wattle Flat against Upper Turon. These two teams met at the latter place last Saturday, when Wattle Flat were badly beaten at the game of tennis, but held their own fairly well at the dinner and tea placed before them.

16-08-1912 LM With reference to the unfortunate accident to Mr. T. Wilson, it appears there was some grit in the barrel of his gun, which he was taking out with his finger. He had not lowered the hammers, and the result was the first finger on the left hand was blown off. On arriving in Bathurst it was found that the second finger was so badly shattered, that it was amputated. The loss of those two fingers will greatly retard Mr. Wilson in his work as an apiarist.

On Sunday night at 7 p.m., Mrs. O'Neill, of the Pailing Yards, died. It appears that the deceased, who had been suffering from a severe cold, was seized with a fit of coughing, during which she burst a blood vessel. The body was interred in the convent cemetery at Wattle Flat, yesterday (Tuesday) morning. A grown up family mourn their loss, to whom deepest sympathy is extended.

Mr. Anderson was here on Saturday, and 40 to 50 head of cattle were brought, four young bullocks realised £39. The rest, though not in the best of condition, brought decent prices.

Revs. Robertson. MA., Presbyterian Minister. and Mr. Dyer, Methodist are staying at Dulcis Vale. They are having a week's rest here for the benefit of their health.

Yesterday we had heavy rain, also alight fall of snow. To-day the weather is still unsettled.

26-08-1912 LM Mr. Haigney 81 years of age, died at the Pailing Yards last Wednesday from the injuries he received through being butted by a billy-goat. It appears the old man was out one day when the goat charged him and knocked him down. He was seen by another old gentleman, who tried to carry the unfortunate man home. Failing in this, he went to get a barrow, and while he was away, the goat, tackled Mr. Haigney again. Through being butted in the face, he lost his power of speech for three days. He was buried at Wattle Flat yesterday. If that goat has not been to his own funeral yet, it is nearly time he was.

I am pleased to say that Mr. T. Wilson returned home on Wednesday night, and that his injured hand is doing well.

30-08-1912 LM On Sunday we had a couple of light showers, the next day heavier rain, and on Tuesday afternoon it teemed. Over two and a half inches of rain fell.

We were favoured with a visit on Sunday from Mr. J. Poole, a onetime resident here. Mr. Poole has done well while away from here, and has just sold out his farm for a substantial sum. While here he purchased a pair of buggy mares from Mr. Stewart.

At a meeting held at the school house on Saturday night, Mr. Larnach in the chair it was unanimously agreed to form a tennis club. Mr. W. Lewis was elected secretary, and Mr. C. Tobin treasurer. A site for the court has been

determined, and when permission to use the ground is obtained from Mr. Stewart the work of making the court will be carried out.

13-09-1912 LM Mr. T. Jones who is at present at Dulcis Vale station, and who recently came from Mr. Stewart's other property in the Abercrombie district received a nasty kick on the leg from a horse on Sunday afternoon. Luckily the leg was not broken, but it will be some time before Mr. Jones is able to do any work.

Having been given a site for a tennis court by Mr. Stewart on Saturday afternoon fifteen of the male members of the club turned up to make the court. Armed with a tip cart, three wheel barrows, and all the available picks and shovels in the district, the major portion of the work was done. A court has also been made at the school for the pupils.

Mr. J Poole was again round here on the lookout for good horses. Your scribe was made a very tempting offer for his nag but up to the present he is like the Arab with his steed, could not part with him.

I am sorry to have to report the illness of Mr. James Tobin, who was sized with a bad fit of bleeding from the nose. His daughter too, had the misfortune to scald her hand, from the steam out of the kettle.

Mrs; Bonfield, of this district is also in town receiving medical treatment.

Squatters report losses in their sheep owing to flies. Mr. D. Tobin found fifteen of his dead in one day.

Mrs. Bayliss from here is expected home on Saturday. She has been to Porter's Retreat to attend to her mother who has been very ill.

25-09-1912 LM A couple of inches of snow lay on the ground on Thursday morning. This was followed on Friday morning by a very severe frost.

Mr. T. McKinnon says that he saw a fox eating a lamb, and sneaked to within about 10 yards of it, sooted a pup on to the fox and followed up himself by a rear attack. The dog turned the fox over; and Mr. McKinnon seized it by the tail. He swung it round to prevent it biting him, when the fox seized its front paw. As it did so, Mr. McKinnon hit it on the head with a stick, and exit the fox

Mr. J. Miller, M.L.A., has accepted the position of president to the newly formed tennis club here, and also donated £1 towards the preliminary expenses. Messrs Edgley and Mockler Bros, of Bathurst also generously donated.

A horse belonging to Mr. Jas. Jago got entangled in some wire fence during the week, and when extricated dropped dead.

The school tennis court is finished and as soon as the tools arrive play will be in full swing. Mr. A. Stewart presented the children with a net.

Of the sick of the district one is improving, Mrs. Jas. Tobin is improving. Mrs. Bonfield is in Bathurst suffering with bronchitis and influenza and Mrs. D. Tobin has an illness which may need an operation..

16-10-1912 LM The frosts are still hanging out, and in consequence farmers are a bit frightened to plant corn, a good deal of ground being ready for sowing.

A flock of 4200 crossbred sheep, in the pink of condition, passed through here on Thursday. They came from Scone, and are travelling to Goulburn. Four drovers, with nine dogs, are in charge of the flock.

Shearing will start at Dulcis Vale next Wednesday, where about 5000 sheep will be put through.

Sickness is prevalent in the district, especially among, the adult population, who are mostly suffer from influenza.

A couple of select little dances were held here recently, one at the residence of Mr. B. Tobin and the other at Mrs. W. Atcheson's. Both were well attended, and enjoyed by those present.

Donations of a racquet, and 10s 6d. Respectively were received from Messrs., E. Webb and Co. and Messrs. T. Meagher and Co. towards the tennis club. A challenge was received, from Palmers Oakey, but owing to the local court not being quite ready for play, the challenge was not accepted.

Mr A. Stewart and family are spending a week's holiday at the homestead at Dulcis Vale.

23-10-1912 LM Shearing commenced at Dulcis Vale on Wednesday afternoon. The work should have started on Tuesday, but owing to a hitch in regard to the agreement form not being available for the master and shearers to sign the loss of a day was the result. Although Mr. Larnach made every effort to get these forms in Bathurst, no one there knew anything about them, and to obtain the forms a telegram was sent to Orange to the secretary of the shearers union.

Shearing cut out at Mr. W. Sinclair's shed at Clear Creek at dinner time yesterday.

A mob of 121 head of cattle, all in frail condition, passed through here yesterday. They came from Jerry's Plains, and are travelling to Blayney for grass, I fail to see why Blayney should be better than the former place, on account of Jerry's Plains' situation near, the Hunter.

One wool presser who arrived here last night reports that he had his swag stolen in Bathurst on Thursday night. It appears that he hid his swag securely, as he thought and went for a walk up the town. However, on his return he found that "Matilda" had disappeared.

25-10-1912 LM A nice shower of rain fell here on Sunday and it also rained again yesterday. It was badly needed as a good deal of lucerne has been planted here lately.

Drover Catley arrived here on Sunday afternoon with 1700 sheep to be shorn at Dulcis Vale, and returns to the Abercrombie with 1500 shorn sheep. Both lots are the property of Mr. A. Stewart.

The result of the drought is seen by the poorness of the sheep and also in the fleeces. Dulcis Vale has held for years a good name for heavy fleeces, but this year it is otherwise. The first load of 30 hales left here this morning.

The tennis club here intends to be up-to date in all respects. The court has been netted in, and now a weather shed is to be built and a tank purchased.

The shearers representative did good work this season at Dulcis Vale. Two shearers, four general, and a funeral ticket were issued. In addition to these, a fair amount was subscribed to the Donald Macdonell memorial fund, and to the labor fighting fund

04-11-1912 LM In Memoriam .GRABHAM. In loving memory of our dear son and brother, James, who was accidentally killed at Limekilns, on November 3, 1911. Sadly missed. Inserted by his loving mother, brothers, and sisters

04-11-1912 LM Shearing finished at Dulcis Vale, the first run after dinner yesterday (Friday), Mr. "Mick" Russell was ringer with 906 sheep. The clip yielded 99 bales. Three of the shearers from the Vale will make a start at Mr. Grabhams on Tuesday.

Evidently some tennis clubs are on the look-out for soft snaps, as three separate challenges have been received by our secretary. These have been put off to some future date, not on account of tennis fright, but owing to the court not being ready for matches, and the gents being busy erecting a weather shed.

A good deal of corn has been put under cultivation, also a great number of tomato plants put in. Now the question is, "will there be a frost?"

04-11-1912 BT An exciting runaway was witnessed in George-street on Saturday. A fine pair of mares attached to a double-seat buggy, all owned and driven by Mr Armstrong, of Limekilns, got out of control, and careered wildly along the roadway. Reaching Durham-street, they turned the corner in the direction of the drill hall. The driver was thrown out at this stage, but sustained no injuries beyond a severe shaking. The near-side animal fell at the same time, and was dragged about a hundred yards by the other, receiving shocking cuts. The runaway then stopped. The buggy was not damaged.

22-11-1912 LM Flies are here in millions, pestering the life out of man and beast alike, we could not live without them, owing to their purifying the air, but I will chance it if some genius arrives to put an end to them.

The other pest, the pumpkin beetle, has arrived and made its presence known by the net-like look of the pumpkin leaves.

Two loads of hives have arrived here from Pyramul for Mr. W. Wilson. His reason for bringing them here was so that he could have all his bees together, the Pyramul lot being too far away to allow of proper attention. Bee farmers generally are a bit on the busy side.

Shearing was expected to finish this week at Mr. Grabhams but last nights rain will delay it again. The new oil engine: bought by Mr. Grabham has worked without a hitch.

06-12-1912 LM It had every appearance last night of a heavy downpour, but with the exception of a fair shower, the weather is warm again.

Mr. D. Tobin started shearing yesterday, but last night's shower will delay work for a few days.

From what I can hear, Mr. McAlister, butcher, of Wattle Flat, was bitten by a snake last week. Owing to his having on two pairs of trousers as he was slaughtering at the time the teeth of the snake did not enter very deep. He scarified the wound and rubbed tobacco on it, and felt no effects from the bite.

Some of the residents, are busy cutting lucerne, and some very fair crops are being harvested.

Mr. Ben Tobin has followed in Mr. Wilson's footsteps, by removing his bees here from Pyramul. The first load came here on Monday morning. From what I can hear the season does not appear too bright for honey.

Mr. Cole is busy on the local road superintending the putting in of some new culverts. Our local people say that one culvert that is to be put in is not necessary, as deviating the road a little it could be cut out, and also a nasty pinch of road done away with.

00-00-1912 Mr & Mrs Larnach had a son Ralph H Larnach in Bathurst

24-01-1913 LM The corn crops here suffered severely from grubs. One lot had to be ploughed in, as it was eaten down altogether.

I am sorry to have to report the illness of Mr. E. McKinnon. On Sunday, while out visiting, he was seized with severe pains in the groin. He was unable to walk home and a vehicle was sent for. The pains still tortured him on Monday and he made up his mind to go to Bathurst yesterday to see a doctor. This he was unable to do, so the doctor was telephoned for. He pronounced the case one of inflammation and gravel. All trust to hear of his speedy recovery.

That dreaded disease (scabies) still continues its ravages here. Some of the school children were away from school for three months through suffering from it, and now it has made its appearance among others, necessitating their staying from school.

21-02-1913 LM The first tennis match ever played here took place between the home team and the Wattle Flat Tennis Club, the result being a win for Limekilns by 24 games. Rain fell for about half an hour during the progress of the match, but the court was all the better for the shower. A dance was held at Mr. B Tobin's at conclusion of the match. This was thorough enjoyed by all present. Some of the Wattle Flat players had a rather narrow escape going home. One of the horses played up, got its leg over the shaft, and backed into a fence protecting a bridge here.

00-02-1913 BT

Collected by Mr. W. A. Larnach, Dulcis Vale and Limekilns for Bathurst Hospital

A Boy ? ...	0- 1- 0
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F. Tobin .. ...	0- 2- 6
W. A. Larnach ..	0 10- 6
W. Lewis ... ..	0 -5- 0

Sympathiser ... ..	0- 2- 6
T. Bayliss ... ..	0- 3 -0
G. McKinnon ... ..	0- 6 -0
B. F. Tobin ... ..	0- 6 -0
John Tobin ... ..	0- 5- 0
W. W.. Wilson ....	0- 5 -0
John Byers ?	0- 5 -0
Denis Tobin ... ..	0- 5- 0
A Friend ... ..	0- 2- 0
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07-03-1913 LM Rain has been threatening here the past two nights, but with the exception of a few points on Monday night, none of any benefit has fallen. What with tanks empty and herbage scarce, the majority of stock owners are on the lookout for places to send their stock for the winter. Some residents are carting water for domestic purposes.

The parrots, black magpies, and crows have had so much of their own way with the corn crops here that poisoning had to be resorted to. As a result, hundreds of the pests have been killed. The rabbits also have been having a bad time of it lately, owing to the poison carts.

A snake made its appearance in Mr. J. Tobin's house recently. Mrs. Tobin noticed it in the fireplace, had a shy at it with something or other, but missed it. It then went down under the floor. Mr. Sam Tobin pulled the flooring boards up, and found the snake making its way into a hole in the wall. He grabbed it by the tail, and after a tug-o-war pulled the reptile in half.

Housekeepers will have to content themselves with melon jam this season, as no other fruit is to be had in the district. Even the blackberries are a failure. There will be a big shortage of honey from this district this season.

21-03-1913 LM For Sale by Tender. EIGHTY ACRES Conditional Purchase, 67½ ACRES Conditional Lease. Divided into Four Paddocks; all securely fenced, 6 wire. Portion under Cultivation, Permanent Spring Water. Comfortable 4-roomed Cottage, besides dining room, kitchen, buggy shed, stables, and outbuildings. Situated on the Limekilns road, 14 miles from Bathurst, and now in the occupation of Mr. Hugh Shirlaw. Tenders close with the undersigned on MONDAY, 31st MARCH, at noon. Immediate possession. Highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. H. C. SLADE, Auctioneer, Bathurst.

21-03-1913 LM For the past week two and a half inches of rain have fallen. As a result all tanks and dams are full, and there is a nice shoot in the grass.

I am sorry to say that Mr. W. Seabrook (a local apiarist), who recently went to Sydney to get his exhibit ready for the show, has been sized with a paralytic stroke. A vein in his head also burst.

The local team went to Wattle Flat on Saturday, and played the top court, tennis there. Limekilns won by 12 games.

26-03-1913 NA Fred Jennings HIS REMINISCENCES. 'At times,' Vane proceeded, 'the police got pretty close to Frank. The little mare began to tire. Frank raced over Clear Creek at the Peel crossing up over Hangman's Mount, towards Stringy Bark Hill, across the 'Limekilns road' towards that rocky hill, about three miles the other side of the Winburndale, from "Yarris" homestead. As he raced through the hills, he unbuckled his leather saddle bags, which contained valuables to the tune of £2000, in gold, sovereigns and spade guineas, according to those who have seen, Gardener's plan. Gardener sent this plan to an old hotel keeper in Kelso, a German named Scribber, to give to old Sam H—. Gardener was arrested just after that. And it was while he was waiting to be transported that he sent the plan out to old Sam. It seems that he had befriended Gardiner at some time, and was known as a 'bush telegraph'. Those who have seen the plan say that the bag was thrown into a large crack in a big rock. I have been over to have a look for it, but as there is so many rocks there alike you don't know where to start to look first. It may never be found in our time. I think the rock he threw it under has fallen and closed up. Someday it will be found, and they will little know it was Frank Gardiner, the King of the Roads, who threw it there.'*(This relates to the 1860s)*CF

11-04-1913 LM Copious rains fell here on Saturday night and all day Sunday, and 191 points were recorded. The weather to-day looks threatening. Provided the frosts keep off for some time the cattle and sheep will have feed enough for the winter. The district about a month ago was bare of herbage, but is now covered with a nice shoot.

Cattle buyers have been busy in the district; and as a result a number of bullocks and sheep were sold at highly satisfactory prices. '

A couple of slight accidents happened to two of the school teacher's children. The girl set fire to a box of matches, and burnt her hand, and the little boy fell down and cut his lip through. |

Those who visited the Bathurst show from here are busy telling those who were not present that they did not miss much. The performing fleas were the most fancied by the children who went from here.

The school children will have a day of every Friday for the next five weeks, as the teacher has to attend a summer school of music conducted, by Professor Teame, in Bathurst.

The corn crops here are not too good. From what I can hear, the farmers in Peel are cutting the stalks with the cobs on, and standing it up in the paddock to save it from the ravages of the rosellas

14-04-1913 LM Mr. W. Cole, road maintenance, man, had a horse lent to him to quieten. On Thursday, just before having dinner, he tied the horse to a fence. The animal rubbed the winters off and made off at a furious rate till it reached Clear Creek bridge, where it tried to negotiate the old road, with the result that the sulky was overturned. After smashing one shaft off and kicking the front of the sulky to pieces, it got free and continued its wild career up far as Mr.

Atcheson's, where it was caught by that gentleman. In addition to the sulky being almost ruined, the harness also was torn to pieces. Mr. Cole is now using a bike.

I have heard that owing to the award for the Council's employees being too stiff for the Council, namely, 9s 6d a day for road men, the president says that he will knock the permanent hands off and put them on as casual at 8s 6d a day. I got this statement from an employee of the Council, who says if the men are made casual, hands they must be paid by the week.

25-04-1913 LM The local team played the Central Tennis Club at Wattle Flat on Saturday, and defeated them by 16 games. The day was bitterly cold, but this was more than compensated by the fair and manly spirit in which the game was played. Not a word of resentment was heard on either side, and it was, without exaggeration, one of the most enjoyable matches it has been my pleasure to witness. A word of praise is due to the ladies for the way in which they attended to the wants of the "inner man."

At night a dance was held in Mr. Thompson's hall, where another four hours, spent in the old art, put an end to a most enjoyable day.

02-05-1913 LM MAIL TENDERS ACCEPTED. Peel, Clear Creek, and Limekilns, twice a week, horseback, James Dempsay, Peel, 62 Pounds per year. Contract ends December 31. 1913,

09-05-1913 NA Situation Wanted, As House Parlourmaid, or Housemaid; good references. Apply, stating wages, to E.W., Post Office, Limekilns, via Bathurst.

16-05-1913 LM Whatever fears the residents had as regards their sheep and cattle have been dispelled by the soaking rain, we have had recently. It rained for the better part of yesterday and all last night. Grass is plentiful enough to tide all stock over the winter.

Corn pulling is practically finished. In one paddock it is being pulled before it is quite ripe. This has to be done, otherwise the rosellas and black magpies would leave none for the grower.

There is a gang of trappers at work, here, but judging by the scarcity of the furry fellows, the men will soon have to shift quarters.

I received, a letter from the Lithgow committee in reference to making a bonfire here on the 28th instant. I have spoken to some of the residents on the subject, and they seem favourable to it. Granted that we receive permission from Mr. T. Tobin to make the fire on his ground, the project will be carried out.

A tennis match will be played here on Saturday between the untrieds of here and those of Wattle Flat.

Although the election is so close at hand you never hear a word here in reference to it. No candidate has visited the place, nor I am afraid, is likely to. Mr. C. Tobin, will be presiding officer as usual, and the same poll clerk as on last occasion will be present from Bathurst.

04-06-1913 LM Rain started to fall here on Thursday, and continued all day and most of Friday, 150 points being recorded.

The doctor was brought out from town to attend Josey, the daughter, of Mr. T. Bayliss. He found her suffering from jaundice and slight inflammation of the liver, brought on by a chill. At present the girls doing splendidly.

20-06-1913 LM Rain started to fall yesterday morning, and kept on for the better part of the day. Last night snow fell for about an hour.

On account of the exceptionally good winter Mr. Larnach has purchased on behalf of Mr. A. Stewart over one hundred head of cattle.

Mr. McKinnon had the bad luck to lose a, fine cow, through bursting. Once before this cow was saved after being on the lucerne, but after being on the green rye for an hour, it was too late to save it.

A lot of discontent arose over the recent voting here. Persons residing on the northern side of Diamond Creek, though only a mile from the local booth, had to sign a declaration on the front of an envelope. Their ballot papers were then put in this envelope, and put in the ballot box. Now they want to know where the secrecy conies in. However, I found that our officer was, only acting to instructions.

Two of our local gents trapping rabbits for skins, made 25 pounds in eight days. In addition they secured two valuable fox skins. But, like going from home to get news, they had to go down the Turon River for the rabbits. We have a gang of trappers here, but they are doing no good owing to the scarcity of the furry ones.

04-07-1913 LM We have only had two fine days within the past fortnight. The rain has not been heavy, but it has been constant. As a result the ground everywhere around is soaked and if it does not soon clear up the potatoes still in the ground will be fit to be puddled out.

A couple of accidents happened here recently. Last week Mr. Tom Tobin had the misfortune to gash his foot with an adze. Yesterday afternoon, Noel, a son of Mr. W. Larnach had his shoulder dislocated. It appears that two of his elder brothers each held one of his arms, pulling against each other. One of them fell, with the result mentioned. No men were about at the time, so Mr. McKinnon tried to put it back, but had not enough strength. It was then bandaged up, and when the father came home the boy was taken to the doctor. I wish both speedy recoveries.

05-07-1913 NA Collared At the Sunny Corner police court, before Messrs. T. Maccabee and R. W. Magill, J.Ps., a young man, named Roy Ferguson, pleaded not guilty to a charge of having stolen a horse collar, valued at 10s, the property of Patrick Joseph Tobin, of Limekilns. Constable Kennedy stated that Ferguson admitted having taken the collar out of a sheep yard, near Limekilns. He said than he did not know that he was doing wrong, as he thought that the collar might have been rubbed off by a horse or dropped by some person. Patrick Joseph Tobin, grazier, stated that on June 8 he placed the collar in a sheep-yard near the Palmer's Oakey to Wattle Flat road. When he went to get the collar it was missing. He did not know the accused. In defence, Ferguson admitted having taken the collar from the sheep



yard. He did not know how long it had been there, and thought that a horse might have lost it. He did not take it with felonious intent. Accused was convicted, and fined £1, with 7s costs, and 10s witnesses expenses, with the alternative of 14 days. The fine was paid

25-07-1913 LM Mr. Michael Tobin has had more than a fair share of trouble lately, his son Clive has been dangerously ill for the past two months, and is still ailing. At one period of his sickness it was thought that he was beyond hope. A worse blow was in store for our respected resident. About a week ago his wife took sick. The doctor came out to attend her on Sunday afternoon, pronounced the sickness as pneumonia and held out little hope.

His words were only too true as Mrs. Tobin passed away at 1. am on Monday morning, deeply lamented by all that knew her. The funeral took place to-day and was largely attended. The deceased was buried at Wattle Flat, the Rev. Father Corbett officiating at the graveside. These little country towns can teach some of the large centres an object lesson. Although the residents are of different religions, when trouble comes they are united to render all the help possible.

One of our residents had the misfortune to loose four out of fourteen fox 'skins which were sent by him to Sydney. Needless to say, the thief selected the best. Another resident picked out over 100 lbs of the best rabbit skins and sent to a Sydney firm, the returns for the same were 1/4d a pound. As the consignment was a tip-top lot a great mistake has been made by the firm as a buyer who travels the district will give 1/4d a pound for mixed skins.

It is said that the roads are to be kept in order by a gang of men who will be here to-day and gone yesterday. Our road maintenance man is good enough for us as we can always find him and if the rabbits do make holes in the culverts word can be sent to him, whereas heaven knows where the gang may be.

There are a couple of men trapping in the neighbourhood, but only for the high price that skins are bringing the game would not be worth the candle, as rabbits are scarce. Several foxes have been poisoned, and (bad luck for the owners) two sheep dogs skied the towels, victims to the baits laid for Reynard.

A lot of fuss being made in some of the towns over the smallpox scare, but so far our residents have not gone grey headed over it.

28-07-1913 LM The Empire Day celebrations were carried out here in great style. The weather in the morning proved very, showery, but the afternoon was gloriously fine. Subscriptions from the residents were liberal, and in consequence each child received a good number of prizes. The usual plan of racing for prizes was departed from this year. Each child was given a first choice, and the rest of the trophies were drawn for. The guessing competition for a large cake, given by Mr. T. Rourke, of Wattle Flat, was won by Stanley Larnach. This is the second consecutive occasion on which this boy has won it. At the termination of the day, a vote, of thanks and cheers were given for the school teacher and his wife for the trouble taken by them in making the day's proceedings the success they were. A very enjoyable dance, held at, night at Mr. B. Tobin's, brought things to a close.

17-09-1913 LM Rain fell last night and continued until the early hours of this morning. About half an inch fell. This was badly needed, as the house tanks were getting low.

Through an accident Mr. Frank McCudden has had the misfortune to lose one eye. This was taken out in Sydney last Tuesday. In addition to this trouble, his little daughter has been receiving medical attention for some time past.

The lambing here is very successful. Baits are laid for the crows, and a fair number are poisoned by them. An occasional fox is also found, dead through the same cause.

The members of two families in the district have been vaccinated, with no bad after effects.

I fancy there will be an election before long, as plenty of political literature is flying about the district. There was some talk of the marble works here going ahead again, but it seems to have died out again. With a go ahead company there ought to be a good thing in

06-10-1913 LM We have experienced some fairly warm weather lately. On Wednesday it was over 102 in the sun. This is compensated, for by the cool nights.

Something in the line of a freak was born here recently, a lamb which had no lower jaw.

Shearing will commence at Dulcis Vale on Monday. The number of sheep to be shorn will not be near that of other years.

Influenza has been prevalent here, and in one case abscesses in the nose broke out, said to be an after effect, of the illness,

The schoolmaster's son, after having had a taste of the land, went for exam, last Wednesday week. He was sent for last Saturday to start as porter at Katoomba. A bit of smart work on the part of the railway.

17-10-1913 LM Mr. Durack, the selected Labor candidate addressed a meeting here on Monday, night. About sixteen adults attended. The principal part of the time was taken up in denouncing, the Wade party in the most scathing forms.

We have a few cases of illness in the district. Mrs. Rourke, sen., had a paralytic stroke yesterday and although she got better, the doctor, who had been sent for said she might take another at any time,

Mr. Din Tobin has two of his daughters laid up, one with rheumatism, and the other from injuries received in falling from a bike. Mrs. C. Tobin's daughter was operated on in Bathurst yesterday for a throat and nose complaint.

Rain started to fall last night, and by the time of writing it is still raining. This was badly wanted, both for wheat crops and for domestic use.

12-11-1913 LM The district has never looked better than it does at the present time. The grass in places is up to the horses knees. This is the result of the splendid rain we have had. During the past three days the weather has been very cold, with strong westerly winds blowing, but during the fortnight preceding hardly a day passed without a shower.

The district inspector, Mr. Henderson, examined the local school recently, and found, everything in a most satisfactory condition. As a result of his visit a new tank is to be brought to the school,

I am not going to challenge the Wang and Sunny Corner correspondents as regards the beauty of our local girls, but I will say they are good cooks.

Never has there been in the district the number of ladybirds that there is at present. The good done by them can be seen by looking at the rose bushes, peach trees, and other things that are affected, by aphides. Not a sign of an aphid can be seen on any of the trees. A few pumpkin beetles have arrived, but these can be kept down. One local gent, says the ladybirds eat these pests, but the writer cannot say if such is the case.

Mr. John Miller, selected Liberal and Country Parties' representative, addressed a meeting of from 25 to 30 adults last night (Friday). Mr. W. Larnach was voted to the chair. In the course of a two hours address, Mr. Miller criticised the financial difficulties, the Labor Party had got into. He stated that although that party had an average income, for three years, of fifteen million pounds, spent that, left a deficit of over a million, and spent a million surplus left by Wade, who managed to save that amount out of an income of twelve millions. Last night was the first time the residents got the full particulars of the Norton Griffiths scheme. Mr. Miller said that Mr. Dolman claimed credit for his party having passed 145 Acts. While Mr. Miller himself admitted this, he said that only fifteen of them were of a contentious nature. "What is wanted," said Mr. Miller, "is not so much new legislation, but amended legislation. Mr. Miller gave credit to the Labor party for some legislation they have carried, but his chief object was to show that the party had not fulfilled or tried to carry out its promises, and to place his own views before the audience. Only one question was asked, that being in reference to local government. At the conclusion of his speech Mr. Miller was unanimously given a hearty vote of thanks.

26-11-1913 LM That splendid little station, Dulcis Vale, owned for the last 15 years by Mr. Athol. Stewart, has passed into the hands of a new owner. The property is of about 3000 acres, some of it the best agricultural land to be had. Mr. McLean, of Condobolin, is the new owner, and may be congratulated in acquiring such a nice place.

A number of residents visited Bathurst to witness the centenary celebrations. Those children who ran in the races were disappointed by the way the handicapping was carried out. The runners were handicapped according to age. Seeing the great number of entries the committee had no alternative.

The election is drawing near, and plenty of literature is flying round the district. I do not think it will affect the result in this place. The parties here are of about equal strength. The polling booth will be at the school.

00-00-1913 Mr & Mrs Larnach had a son Raymound Larnach in Bathurst.

13-02-1914 LM This is a noted place for motor troubles. On Saturday last a car from Hill End, carrying five passengers ran out of petrol. A tin of kerosene was obtained from a resident, but still the car refused duty. One of our residents then went to Wattle Flat and obtained a tin of petrol, and after all hands had a turn at the handle she started to honk. One of the party then showed us a cake of gold weighing about 180 ounces, with the remark that "I'll show it to you now, as you can't catch us." The car broke down again on Kearney's Hill, where, after using sundry logs and great lumps of stone as chocks, they got away. Residents do not object to cars breaking down here, but strongly resent having the road littered up with logs, stones, etc.

The tennis players will try conclusions with Palmer's Oakey on Saturday, where they expect to get an unmerciful beating.

The recent rains have caused the grass to shoot well, but more is necessary to keep it going.

About a dozen horses from the Turon River are trying to sustain life by feeding along the side of the road here.

While Mr. C. Tobin was having his dinner recently, a black snake passed within a few feet of him. Previous to this Mrs. C. Tobin had occasion to go to the front of the house, and saw a brown snake trying to find entrance through the bedroom window, which had only been closed a few minutes before. Mrs. Tobin could only call out. Mr. F. Tobin came and shot the snake, which evidently had its home in the house.

The local school will be closed for a fortnight, as the teacher has to attend a school of military instruction in Bathurst, commencing next Monday.

18-02-1914 BT St. James' Church, Raglan, on Saturday evening was the scene of a quiet, but very pretty wedding, when Harold Joseph, third, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Honeyman, of Raglan, was married to Lirsla Margaratta, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Sinclair, of Limekilns.

20-02-1914 LM Things are just about as bad as they can be in the district. There is a fair amount of dry food, but water is very scarce.

The traction engine passed through here this morning, bound for the Paling Yards to load timber for bridges. It had to pull up at the school for a supply of water, as none is to be had along the roads. After trying the pump on the school well, a bull dozer carried on the engine, and the engine pump itself, none of which would work, the engine boiler which holds 200 gallons, was filled from a tank at the school, and from the well, by means of a bucket and rope.

Mr. G. McKinnon shorn six stragglers recently, the total weight of the fleeces being 140 pounds.

Corn growers in this district will not have much to pull, as the parrots are stripping it out of a face. Potato crops will all be a failure.

Influenza is prevalent, and Mr. J. Gorman, sen., who, with his family, was to have gone to Portland this week, is seriously ill 20-04-1914 LM

Heavy rain, accompanied by hail, fell here on Thursday. As a result, all the creeks were flooded, and a great deal of damage was done to fences. In some places the hail lay two feet deep.

One resident whose land had been valued at 15s per acre by the shire valuator, finds that the same had recently been valued at £4 6s an acre. Another finds his rates have jumped from £30 to £60 a year, while in another case the increase was from £40 to £106.

Rabbits are very scarce in the district, but many foxes are seen and heard. In an adjoining district one resident so far has shot twenty three.

The new owner of Dulcis Vale station is installed there, and I hear that great improvements are to be made. At present, ploughing on a large scale is being carried out for lucerne sowing.

05-03-1914 NA 'Not Fit for a Bullock Team.' Mr. A. Bower wrote to yesterday's meeting of the Turon Shire Council complaining of the state of the Limekilns-Palmer's Oakey road. He stated that it was not in a fit state for a bullock team to travel on. He added that a tree lay across the road for three weeks, he supposed it was still there, because he believed that the maintenance man had not been along there for a month.

19-06-1914 LM Three leases have been taken up to work the deposits which are in the caves here. This is said to be a good fertiliser.

A working bee was formed here recently, with the result that the shed at the tennis court now possesses a fireplace, which will prove a blessing this cold weather.

From what I can hear, one of our local bee-farmers is about to sell out. This will be through the ringbarking that is being carried out very extensively.

Your humble servant has been invited to a wedding at Wattle Flat this afternoon. Judging by the weather, a cold trip awaits him. Without any disrespect to the happy couple. I wish it could be postponed.

01-07-1914 LM The death occurred on Saturday of Mr. Thomas Hulme, at his residence, Wattle Flat, at the age of 69. Mr. Hulme lived for a number of years at Peel and Limekilns. The funeral, which was largely attended, took place yesterday, being conducted by Mr. A. Taylor.

20-07-1914 BT LIMEKILNS. For the last three weeks wintry weather has been experienced. Scarcely a day has passed without a shower. The result is that lucerne and wheat sown some months ago are scarcely above the ground. At the time of writing it is snowing heavily.

A new resident of the locality is Mr. I. Readford, who has taken over property here recently owned by Mr. Richardson, of Bathurst. It is the former's intention of building, and Messrs. D. and M. Tobin are at present engaged in burning lime for that purpose.

It is not often that a persons lucky enough to have his or her name twice on the roll. It has occurred in the instance of a lady resident here, whose name appears alongside of two consecutive numbers. This is a, strange thing with part of this district. That portion to the north of Diamond Creek is placed in the Wattle Flat electorate for the Federal election, but for the State the same part of the district is Limekilns. Why not make that part in both rolls the same? To vote in the Federal elections the elector has to sign a paper or else go eight miles to vote, whereas in the State all residents, both north and south of Diamond Creek, vote here.

31-07-1914 LM The weather here has been very bad for some time, rain, snow, and sleet, and then fine, on top of which we have had some severe frosts. It started raining again to-day.

A couple of slight accidents occurred here recently. A boy was swinging a rabbit-setting hoe about and hit his brother on the bridge of the nose, with the result that both eyes were blackened. A son of Mr. Larnach was playing with a pocket knife, when he ran the point of it in his eye, puncturing the ball

The 8th prox. is to be a red-letter day in this district. On that day Mr. Mrs. Atcheson will celebrate their golden wedding.

14-08-1914 BT Never before has such a garnering of people been seen at the Limekilns, as was seen here last Saturday. All present had come to show the esteem that Mr. and Mrs W. Atcheson are held in. It was the celebration of their golden wedding, when about 200 attended. The breakfast was set for 3 O'CLOCK p.m., but long before that hour arrived people were coming from all directions, and in all sorts of vehicles. The tables were laid out with all kinds of choice eatables. On the centre of one table a three-decker cake, weighing about 30lbs, took pride of place. At the conclusion of the breakfast Mr W Lewis, in a neat little speech proposed the health of the old couple, this was responded to on behalf of the latter by Mr. Thorman, of Bathurst. Darkness had set in before the tables were cleared, and the room got ready for dancing. Owing to the crowd this was a little difficult, as the room was rather on the small side. Despite that disadvantage everyone enjoyed themselves thoroughly. Messrs. Lewis, Kennedy and Chamberlain's songs were much appreciated, as were also the step dances done by Mr. J. McCudden, Mr. P. McEvoy, and Miss A. McCudden. Mrs. W Atcheson, senr., was even prevailed upon to show her vocal powers, and in spite of age the old lady can render song very effectively. The writer left for home at 11. 45 PM and those remaining were still dancing away to the music of the piano, violin and concertina. The presents included a handsome marble clock, with a gold plate inscribed, to commemorate the event from the Limekilns residents, the following is a list of the presents received: Mr. and Mrs J Schofield and family, gold albert and gold brooch; residents of Limekilns, marble clock, with gold plate inscription; Rev J. H. Robertson gold mounted clock; Mr. and Mrs. Prior bronze clock; Messrs. B. Rourke, C. Bender, A. Twiss, M. Coopes, and C Mclivoy, sets of carvers; Mr and Mrs W. C. R. Sinclair pair of ornamental vases; Mr. and Mrs. W. McCudden water jug and six glasses; Mr. W. Atcheson, Jnr., tea set and cheese dish; Mrs. Flynn cake dish; Mr. and Mrs. Inwood half dozen fancy plates; Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain figured bronze clock; Miss B. Heath, pair of flower vases; Mr. and Mrs. Haynes wedding ring; Mr. and Mrs. W. Colley gold brooch inscribed; Mr. and Mrs.

Scully, cake dish; Mrs. Riordan, handsome wine decanter and six glasses; Miss Walkley lovely silk worked cushion cover; Mrs. Jarvis, purse and gold coin; Mr. Munro gold coin; Mr. and Mrs. Thorman gold coin; Bergh, Winnie, and Willie Thorman cut glass jam dish and silver stand; Mr. and Mrs. Jones and family decanter two glasses two cake dishes two fruit bowls and teapot; Mrs. Joe Griffiths painted glass jug; Mrs. Jack Griffiths gold coins; Mr. and Mrs. Maguire gold coin; Mrs. W. Handcock flowered teapot; Mr. and Mrs. Herb McEvoy, silver mounted photo frame and salad dish; Mrs. McEvoy pickle jar and fork silver mounted; Mrs. Bayliss silver plated jam dish; Mrs. Mayo silver breakfast cruet; Mrs. Hollingsworth two knitted scarves knitted motor bonnet; Mrs. B. McEvoy silver mounted glass sweet dish; Mr. F. Bennett water jug and glasses; Mrs. Brook and family glass water jug and glasses; Mr. and Mrs. Hitchcock set carvers and two bead mats; Messrs. Kennedy and Hemstead silver mounted biscuit barrel; Mr. Worthy Atcheson purse sovereigns; Messrs. D. and M. and Mrs. D. Tobin, purse sovereigns; Mr. and Mrs. Marshall half dozen cups and saucers; Mr. H. Kennedy silver mounted jam dish; Mrs. Pratley, Mrs. Barnes, Mrs. Dunsford silver breakfast cruet; Mr. W. Croft, decanter and wine classes: Mrs D. Evers wine glasses; Miss R. Roper pair vases; Messrs. Graham Bros lamp; Mr. and Mrs. John Gorman and family handsome framed pen painting; Miss M. Parkes pair ornamental jugs: Mr. Boner (Lithgow) eider down quilt; Mrs. Donnelly Gipsy table cover; Mr. Ewen Ferguson silver butter knives with pearl handles; Mrs. A. McKinnon silver plated pickle jars: Miss Tobin (Cessnock) afternoon table cover; Mrs. Robertson (Dark Corner) runner and doilies.

14-08-1914 LM Never before, I believe, was such a gathering seen in this district when Mr. and Mrs. W. Atcheson celebrated their golden wedding. Long before the hour, 3 p.m., start for the breakfast, people were arriving from all quarters. The cooking of turkeys, hams, tongues, etc., was done by the old lady herself, and all present partook heartily. A three-decker cake, made by Mrs. Atcheson, could not have been excelled by the best city pastry cooks. Upwards of 200 assembled to show their esteem for the old couple. Mr. W. Lewis in an appropriate speech, proposed the health of Mr. and Mrs. Atcheson, and Mr. Thorman, of Bathurst, suitably responded on their behalf the residents of Limekilns showed their esteem by presenting the host and hostess with a handsome marble clock, with a gold plate, bearing a fitting inscription. The presents were numerous, and in a good many cases very costly. The room was cleared at night for dancing. Each dance was gone through twice, as the room would not allow of all to dance at the one time. During the night Messrs. W. Lewis, Kennedy, and Chamberlain, obliged with songs, and Messrs. J. McCudden, P. McEvoy, and Miss A. McCudden with step dances. The first dance of the night was a family dance, in which the old couple joined. All Mr. and Mrs. Atchesons family were present, and, together with their families, numbered 49.

A slab of marble has been sent from here, by Mr. J. Tobin, to the Mines Department, and after being polished, it will be sent to the Panama Exhibition.

The squatters, are wearing a worried look, as they say the wool clip will be worthless.

Any boys here who were making many a shilling trapping for rabbit skins, have knocked off, as the price is nearly to zero.

News came to-day of the death in Sofala hospital at 2 o'clock yesterday, of Jack Butler, who was thrown from his horse.

19-08-1914 IN MEMORIAM. TOBIN. In very sad but loving memory of my dear wife, Maggie Tobin, who departed this life, 21st July, 1913 At Rest. Inserted by her sorrowing husband, Michael Tobin, Limekilns.

IN MEMORIAM. TOBIN. In very fond memory of my dear son, Clive who died on 31st July, 1913. Thy Will be Done. Inserted by his loving father, Michael Tobin Limekilns.

14-09-1914 BT WILSON'S LIGHT DRAUGHT HORSE—CREAKY KING . Compact, strongly built, plenty of bone, and good action (sire Mr. Cutlor's King Tom; dam, late Mr. Blackmail's Scotch Jock). WILL STAND THE SEASON AT LIMEKILNS, And Travel PEEL, WATTLE FLAT, PALMER'S OAKLEY, and SUNNY CORNER. He ought to produce active cart and farm horses. TERMS £2 PER MARE. Reduction for more than one from owner.

23-09-1914 LM Mr. McLean, of Dulcis Vale has been away to his parents, residence at Boora West. While there he sent down here a number of Jersey cows, all in very poor condition. He says that things are very bad in that district.

A much needed improvement to the tennis court is being carried out. It is being lengthened 12ft which when completed, will allow 15ft. behind each service line.

The school children here started a fund in aid of the Red Cross Society.

From what I hear, owing to shortage of funds, the maintenance man has been taken off the road and put to work in the quarry.

13-10-1914 NA ATTEMPTED SUICIDE. Patrick McEvoy, who attempted to commit suicide near the Howick street creek on October 4 with a razor; was charged at the Police Court yesterday morning with the offence. He pleaded guilty Constable Grant stated that at, 6.30 on the morning of October 5 he saw the accused in the wash-house of Arthur Conaell's residence, Howick street, with a gash in his throat. He said, 'I did it down by the creek last night, on account of worry over my wife'. Witness subsequently found a blood stained razor (produced) near the creek. Blood was also lying: on the ground. He was removed, to the Hospital for treatment. Sergeant Sheehy said accused and his wife had recently had trouble. He left his wife, and she secured an order against him. He had up to the, night of his attempted suicide complied with the order. He had been living with his father at Limekilns. The P.M. Has the wife gone back to him? — She came to see him.

The P.M. (to the father): Are you prepared to look after your son? His wife will be down from Orange tomorrow; she will do so.

What guarantee have I that your son won't do this again? — I can't say.

Sergeant Sheehy: Will you look after him?— His wife will, there is an order of £1, a week against him, would I be responsible for that?

The P.M.: No, your son would, But if they live together then that will lapse.

The Father: Leave it until tomorrow. If his wife is not willing to take him back I will be responsible for him. I would not like to go between man and wife.

The accused said he would give every guarantee that the offence would not be repeated.

The Father: He was always very steady and never drank. I can't understand what came over him for him to do it.

The P.M. He is imprisoned till the rising of the court.

19-10-1914 LM Rabbit poison was, responsible for the destruction of 50 young sheep at Limekilns. The loss is a severe one, as the sheep had a full growth of wool.

26-10-1914 LM Messrs. Charles Edward Tobin, of Limekilns, and George Coates, of Hampton, were at the Bathurst Circuit Court on Friday sworn in as. Justices of the Peace, before the Chief Justice (Sir William Cullen)

06-11-1914 BT Shearing commenced at Mr. McLean's, Dulcis Vale station, on Monday. The sheep, which were under cover, were cut on Tuesday. There will be a break now until the sheep are dry. It is a strange thing that as soon as shearing starts at Dulcis Vale, so rain falls. This year has been no exception to the rule, as splendid rain fell on Sunday night. Four shearers are engaged. Two of them were miners at Burruga, but had to turn their hand to shearing on account of the mine there being closed down

02-12-1914 LM Mr. Bennett, who was until recently road maintainer man at Sofala is moving to Portland, where it is his intention to start a business. Portland seems to be a good place to get work, as when I was at Windeyer I found that the majority of the people had gone there.

From what I can hear, I believe that Dr. Machattie taken over Delhi station from Mr. W. C. Richardson, and that Mr. and Mrs. Clayton are going to manage the place.

Mr. and Mrs. McLean, sen., and Miss Howarth are at present spending a holiday with the former's son at Dulcis Vale. Mrs. McLean got quite a sickening of Beoaa West during the recent drought down there.

One of the best crops was cut during the week from a 24-acre paddock, the property of Mr. McLean of Dulcis Vale. He is highly pleased with it, and having only recently, purchased the property, will no doubt now go in for more cultivation,

Better growing weather we could not desire, as every other day for the past fortnight we have had a shower of some description.

Bee farmers so far have done no good, but looking forward for some good returns at an early date. Bees have not paid their way for the past two years.

21-12-1914 BT Our Limekilns correspondent writes that they were treated to a dust storm last week, the likes of which was never seen there before. This was followed by a shower of rain. Had the order of things been reversed things would have been far more comfortable for all concerned.

21-12-1914 BT Mr. G. McKinnon, of Limekilns, gashed his leg rather severely one day last week whilst using an axe. His brother has also been laid aside for some time owing to a leg trouble.

21-12-1914 BT Mr. J. McLean, of the Limekilns, has got all his hay under cover. The rain discoloured some of it, but despite that little drawback it is considered locally that it will take some beating, for yield. Most of the wheat crops around the Limekilns are being left for grain.

20-02-1915 BT A gang of rabbiters has been engaged in trapping here for the past fortnight with results very disastrous to bunny.

Feed for cattle and water both for stock and domestic purposes are at a very low ebb, the place in fact presents a very gloomy outlook. Corn crops in all instances have been a total failure, the same being turned over to the cattle. What would have been good yields of potatoes are being spoiled by the grubs.

Messrs. Tobin are, at present erecting a sawmill. The engine and bench are on the ground, and the sheds are being built. As there is a considerable amount of timber in the district, the venture ought to prove a success.

Mr. Larnach and family are leaving the district to-day (the 17th). During the past nine years Mr. Larnach has been, manager of The Dulcis Vale station. It is his intention of taking over The Grove at Trunkay, the station being the property of Mr A Stewart. It is to be hoped success attends him in his new home.

Several cases of what is thought to be chicken-pox have broken out in the district. I am pleased to see that Mrs. J. McKinnon, for whom the doctor held out no hopes, is up and about again. The old lady is 85.

The bee-farmers do not seem to be getting much honey. This will be about the third year that has been unpayable to them.

Shakes are still numerous, six having been killed at Mr. Wilson's since Christmas; two at Mr. Tobin's, and two in the school-ground.

It is to be hoped that the Bathurst weather prophet's prophecy, for next Monday proves true, because unless rain in good quantities falls before long, things here will be, as the saying goes, up to a bubble.

09-03-1915 BT The Friends of Mr. ALEXANDER WILSON. Sen., and Family are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly beloved Son and Brother, Robert William, to move from his late residence, The Limekilns, at 8 o'clock, TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) MORNING, for the Presbyterian Cemetery, Bathurst. W. BOYD, Undertaker.

12-03-1915 LM The wind for the past three days has been blowing with hurricane force. Trees have been, stripped of their leaves and the corn paddocks have been so denuded of leaves that just the bare stalks are standing. In

addition the dust was a perfect nuisance. The majority of the tanks are dry and in some cases owners have to drive their stock considerable distances to water.

I am sincerely sorry to report the death of Mr; Bob Wilson. The deceased had been suffering for some considerable, time from miners consumption. In spite of all care and the best medical attention he passed away on Monday. The deceased was a good clean living man and was respected by all. While expressing sympathy with the relatives one cannot but feel that it is a happy release for him, and those connected with him. The funeral left here this morning for Bathurst cemetery.

13-03-1915 BT Mr. W. A. Larnach, of Limekilns, who is leaving the district, has resigned the office of deputy inspector for the Bathurst P.P. District. The P.P. Board has carried a motion of appreciation of Mr. Larnach's services.

The Government Gazette announces that. Constable Maync, of Wattle Flat, and Mr. R. James, of Sodwalls, have been authorised to issue permits for travelling sheep.

13-03-1915 BT ALL PERSONS found TRESPASSING on SUNNY BANK ESTATE without a written permit from me will be Prosecuted. All night prowlers will be shot without respect to persons. HECTOR K. SINCLAIR, March 8, 1915-Limekilns.

01-04-1915 LM On Monday Mr. Matthews killed a snake with stones after it had played the children's game of "in and out the windows" through the wire-netting for about twenty minutes.

02-04-1915 BT Things had got to such a low ebb as regards water that the three tanks at the school were empty, and water had to be carted for the school children. Tuesday's rain has overcome all anxiety as regards water. Close on three inches of rain fell, and people who had crossed creeks dry shod in the morning had to resort to vehicles to get home at night. Every creek was running a banker, and all the flats were like lakes. Coming down with the force it did, all the dry feed was washed away, which will make it worse than before for the sheep and cattle.

During the storm a flock of several hundred swifts were making their way northward. Apparently it was the migration flight of those birds.

Just preparatory to cutting chaff on Tuesday Mr. McLean looked down the pit in which the bagging is done, and saw a snake just on five feet long. The snake was semi-torpid owing to the cold, but not too sleepy to have given the bag filler a Yankee start had he gone down the pit. A handy pitchfork did the rest.

23-04-1915 BT Rain fell here on Monday. It also started again on Wednesday night, and rain fell on Thursday morning. Lucerne flats, which, previous to the latest heavy fall were veritable dust-heaps, are now covered with a growth of about six inches. The district looks splendid.

Mr. L. J. McLean disposed of his two ponies, each of which got first prizes at the recent show. One, sold to Mr. Gilmour, of Bathurst, brought £50, and the other, sold to a Mudgee buyer, brought: £30.

Mr. G. McKinnon left here on Wednesday with 150 fat sheep for Sydney.

The local sawmill is buzzing merrily .Not being the time for stripping timber retards the owners.

The doctors hold out no hope of Mrs. J. Davison, sen. For the last eight days nothing but ice has passed her lips.

28-04-1915 LM A very old and respected resident of the Limekilns passed away on Friday night at the residence of her daughter; (Mrs. Benjamin Tobin) in the person of Mrs. Jonathan Davison. She had been suffering from an incurable complaint for a long time, and all that medical skill and nursing could do was done to relieve her. She was the widow of the late Mr. Jonathan Davison who nine years ago met with a serious accident, which caused his death. Mesdames Jas Tobin, Charles Tobin, and Benjamin Tobin, of Limekilns are daughters, and Messrs. A. Tobin. (Sydney ).Richard. Tobin (Angledool), Ernest (Queensland), Joseph (Kelso) and Archibald (Running Stream), sons. Mrs. John Townsend, of Bathurst is a sister, and Mr. Colin Rue, of Raglan, a brother. The great number that attended the funeral from such a long distance showed the sympathy for the family, and a large number attended at the cemetery who were unable to go to Limekilns. The remains were carried into the church by Messrs. Dennis, Michael, Charles, and Frederick Tobin, and the pall-bearers were Messrs. G. McKinnon, W. Pittendrigh, P. Dempsey, G. Binder, H. McKinnon, B. Rourke, T. Lavelle, and F. Dempsey. Miss Oakes presided at the organ and played the "Dead March" also "Rock of Ages". The .Rev. S C. O'Breznan Ball officiated in the church and at the grave and delivered a very impressive address. Deceased was 74 years of age and 52 years ago stood as a bride on the spot where her remains rested whilst the service for the dead was read. The tokens of sympathy in the shape of wreaths and other floral tributes were many The body was encased in a beautiful silver mounted polished cedar coffin, on the lid of which were the following, texts, "Mother", "In Gods Care" and "Life 's work well done, life's race well run now Cometh rest". The funeral, arrangements were carried out by Mr. W. S Hodge of Bathurst.

05-05-1915 LM Mr. and Mrs. A. J. DAVISON, of Running Stream, and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Tobin and Family, of Limekilns, desire to sincerely thank Drs. Machattie and Brooke-Moore, for their careful attention, and also all kind friends for their practical assistance, and expressions of sympathy, letters, cards, etc., in their late sad bereavement.

14-05-1915 BT The Chief Inspector of Stock wrote drawing attention to the appointment of Mr. L. J. McLean, of Dulcie Vale, Limekilns, as sitting inspector under regulation of the P.P. Act 1912 for the purpose of issuing permits for travelling sheep.

16-05-1915 LM Just after the mail left on Wednesday snow began to fall and continued all night. In the morning four inches lay on the ground. Also have had a couple of heavy frosts since.



Farmers do not intend to be caught napping again as here they are ploughing a good deal of virgin soil, for wheat.

Letters, from the Wheat Acquisition Board still continue, to make their way here, although I don't suppose it would be possible to get a bag over what is wanted for seed.

The foxes have been busy taking lambs here recently. Mr. G. McKinnon shot two, one of which had a live lamb at the time carrying it away. Our butcher keeps the price of meat at 5 ½ d and 6d but Reynard is the only one that can get it for nothing.

Some of the residents have gone to the Turon for the rest of the winter trapping rabbits, which will be run to Capertee.

Miss E. Gorman lost a gold brooch recently. A few days after it was lost it was picked up by Mr. J. Byers and handed to the owner. That, is the beauty of this district; if a thing be lost and it should be seen by any of the residents, it always reaches the owner.

The children's contribution to the Belgian Fund averaged 4s 9d per pupil.

19-05-1915 LM We were treated lately to a novelty for the district, and also to something of a treat in chaff-cutting. Mr. McLean had sold 40 tons, of his hay to a big firm of buyers and a traction engine and chaff-cutter belonging to Mr. Withers, of Coolamon, cut the 40 tons, and about 20 tons more, in two days. It was a sight to watch the bag sowers. Two eight horse teams are engaged carting it away, taking about 200 bags each load. I was informed that 505 bags were taken in one load by the bigger wagon in the Riverina, where the whole lock, stock, and barrel came from. It is, owing to the recent drought there that this district and elsewhere round Bathurst are being worked.

It is said that a movement was set on foot to have the mail coach run this way three days a week and the other three days on the usual road. The Hill End contractor says that he could not do it for £100 per year. It would mean that he would have to stable extra horses along this road, and also employ another groom. The present bi-weekly horseback mail costs £62 per year, and though the coach would prove a boon to the residents, I don't think it will ever been seen on this road.

Heavy rain fell last night and is still falling this morning. The farmers welcome it, as they can get along with their plough.

31-05-1915 BT In the Supreme Court of New South Wales. Probate Jurisdiction. In the Will of ROBERT WILLIAM WILSON, late of Clear Creek, near Bathurst, in the State of New South Wales, Miner, 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 ALEXANDER NORMAN WILSON and JOHN BYERS, the Executors named in the said Will, and all notices are to be served at the undermentioned address. JOHN BYERS, ALEXANDER NORMAN WILSON, Limekilns.

14-06-1915 BT Snow commenced to fall here on Wednesday afternoon and it continued till night. On Thursday morning it lay to a depth of four inches. Since then we have had fine weather with a boomer frost this morning.

A lot of new ground is being ploughed up this year to be sown with wheat. People have to pay pretty dear these times for lamb, in fact for any kind of meat, but the foxes get it from the farmer for nothing. Some squatters are dubious about them taking lambs, but their doubts ought to be set at rest after hearing what actually occurred here. Mr. G. McKinnon had lambs and ewes in a wire-netted paddock. These lambs he found were disappearing, so determined to watch. He shot one fox one morning and the following morning shot another just as it had grabbed a lamb and was in the act of making off with it.

08-07-1915 MG Word is to hand of the death of one of Hill End's old identities in the person of Mr. James ('Jimmy') Hooker. The deceased was, we understand either born at Hill End or went there while very young. It is over 30 years since the deceased was engaged by the late Mr. Harry Melton (father of Mr. James Melton, of Havilah), of Limekilns, Bathurst, to care for sheep. He remained in the one employ till the time of Mr. Melton's death.

23-07-1915 LM We have had fall rain here lately. On Monday 105 points fell. The ground now is fairly soaked.

More wheat has been put in this year than for many years. This has meant a big expense to the farmers, who have had to net the paddocks and netting at present is a tidy price.

Bread went up here on Monday, the cost of a loaf now being 5 ½ d. The butcher was compelled to raise the price of meat, that commodity being now sold at 8d a pound. In the matter of obtaining sugar, I do not think country residents are treated fairly. Living so far out of Bathurst, it is not always convenient to be going there after sugar, but if an order is sent in, the usual answer is "Regret can't supply bag ordered", have sent 6 lb.

Two residents from Wattle Flat were here on Sunday making collections of goods for a bazaar to be held in their district on Australia Day. They were successful in getting a cruet from the local pedagogue, and a pair of fowls from Mr. C. Tobin. They were given a hint that a collection was to be made locally, so did not canvass the district as they otherwise would have done. Some residents are a bit dubious of giving to these collections, as the threatened war-tax is disturbing them.

Mr. E. McKinnon recently broke a rib, and his brother, whilst falling a tree, had the misfortune to have his head cut by a limb which fell off while he was chopping.

Mrs. McKinnon has received word that her grandson, Eric Hillman, of Mosman's Bay has been wounded in the thigh. He had previously been through five battles.

06-08-1915 BT The following are the names of contributors and respective subscriptions to the Wounded Soldiers' Fund: —A. K. Wilson, Junr., £1/1, L. J. McLean £1, J. J. Gorman, Senr., 10/, G. McKinnon 10/, D. Tobin 10/, E. McKinnon 10/, W. Lewis 10/, John Tobin, Senr. 10/, O. Ingram 5/, Mrs. C. Tobin 10/, Mrs. E. Grabham 7/0, Win. Byers 5/0 M. Tobin 5/, M. Byers 5/, J. Gorman, Junr. 5/, J. J. Tobin, Junr. 4/0, E. Devlin 2/G, Miss Rourke 2/6, Mrs. Bell 2/0, Mr. C. Ferguson 4/, T. Tobin 2/0, Jos. Tobin 2 /G, B. Tobin 2/6, A. Wilson, sen., 2/ G, L. J. Tobin 2/6, Mrs. Atcheson 1/0, Roy Shirlaw 1/, F. Tobin 2/, W. Brooks 1/, E. Ingram 5/. We had a light fall of snow during the night.

10-08-1915 NA Limekilns Residents Enterprise Mr. Sinclair's enterprise in starting a bee farm in Dunedoo is to be commended, and we wish him great success in his venture. Mr. Sinclair has purchased a piece of land close to the town and besides bee-farming he intends going in for orcharding.

15-08-1915 M G Death. On Thursday, 12th inst., there passed away at her residence, 'Limekilns,' Mrs. Mary Rourke, 'Limekilns,' Mrs. Mary Rourke, aged 81 years. Her son, Mr. Thos. Rourke, who is the highly esteemed post and telephone master at Wattle Flat, provided a most handsome coffin of polished cedar with silver handles and mountings, as a last tribute to his dearly loved mother. The remains were installed in the R.C. cemetery at Wattle Flat on Sunday afternoon. The Rev. Father Corbett officiated at the graveside. The funeral arrangements were conducted by Mr. A. Taylor, of Sofala.

16-08-1915 BT LIMEKILNS. I am sincerely sorry to have to report two deaths which occurred on Thursday. Mr. J. McLean received a wire on Wednesday from Sydney to say his mother was seriously ill. On Thursday he wired from Sydney saying she was dead. The old lady was on a holiday to Sydney at the time, her permanent home being Boora West. She was at the Limekilns some time ago, and endeared herself to all with whom she made acquaintance.

An old, in fact very old resident, and one highly esteemed, died here on Thursday afternoon, Mrs. J. Rourke. The deceased had been an invalid for some time. She had at various times been given up by the doctor, but had always pulled through. The doctor, when he came on Thursday, would not say there was no hope, as she had cheated him so often. From what I hear, the deceased took nourishment up till within five minutes of her death. Both deceased ladies were among the few who were incapable of the slightest bad action. They both leave grown up families, to whom I extend my sincere sympathy.

Two of our residents had a trip to Mudgee to take charge of 1000 sheep bought in that district for Mr. J. McLean. The sheep arrived here on Thursday. The foxes still persist having young lambs for supper. This is very annoying to sheep-breeders, and it almost makes other residents wild when Reynard gets his lamb for nix, while people pay such exorbitant prices for their bit of meat.

It was reported some time ago that the rails on Pender's Creek bridge were in a rotten condition, and the Council said they were to be renewed. The said rails are now resting in the creek below. At present there is no protection to one side of the bridge. I believe the engineer was along here recently. He may have reported the matter anyhow it is up to the Council to repair the bridge.

09-09-1915 BT TO STAND THE SEASON- AT DULCIS VALE,  
THE PONY STALLION—TAM O'SHANTER.

This Pony is the most direct descendant of the original Tam O'Shanter in Australia. The breed has been kept pure for the last 40 years by L. McLean, Boona West, Condobolin. FEE, £2/2/. Season ends 14th Dec. Mr. L. J. McLean, Dulcis Vale, Limekilns.

17-09-1915 BT IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

PROBATE JURISDICTION. In the Estate of MARY ROURKE, late of Limekilns, in the State of New South Wales, Widow, deceased, intestate. APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that ADMINISTRATION of the Estate of the above-named deceased (without a Bond) may be granted to ELLEN ROURKE, of Wattle Plat, in the said State, Spinster, a daughter of the said deceased; and all creditors in the estate of the said deceased are requested to forward particulars of their claims within the said fourteen days to undersigned John McPhillamy, at whose office all notices may be served. JOHN McPHILLAMY, Proctor for the applicant, Exchange Buildings, William-street, Bathurst. By his Agents Icton, Faithfull & Haddock, 25 O'Connell st. Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES. PROBATE JURISDICTION.

In the Will of JOHN ROURKE, late of Limekilns, in the State of New South Wales, Farmer, deceased. APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that ADMINISTRATION (with the said will annexed) of the Estate of the above-named deceased (without a Bond) may be granted to ELLEN ROURKE, of Wattle Flat, in the said State, Spinster, a daughter of the said deceased (Mary Rourke, the sole Executrix in the said will named having died on the 12th day of August. 1915); and all creditors in the said estate of the said John Rourke, deceased, are requested to forward particulars of their claims within the said fourteen days to the undersigned John McPhillamy, at whose office all notices may be served. JOHN McPHILLAMY, Proctor for the applicant. Exchange Buildings, William st, Bathurst. By his Agents Icton, Faithfull & Haddock, 25 O'Connell-st., Sydney.

13-10-1915 BT An accident, fortunately attended by no serious results, occurred here on Monday. Frank, a son of Mr. J. Gorman, sen., of the Paling Yards, was riding a horse belonging to Mr. G. McKinnon down what is known as the Blue Hill when it bolted. The rider stuck to it for some considerable distance, when the saddle slipped round and he was thrown among a heap of rocks. No bones were broken, but a very badly bruised boy was the result.

Wolsey, in his address to Cromwell, spoke of a killing frost. Well, last week we had three of them, with the result that the fruit trees have suffered, and any vegetables susceptible to the frosts are settled. The herbage which previous to them, was a picture is now beginning to turn yellow.

Shearing started at Mr. E. Grabhams yesterday. Most of the sheep of this district will be shorn there. As Mr. Grabham has some first class shearers engaged it will not take long to cut out. Mr. W. C. R. Sinclair cut his lot out at the end of last week.

A fox drive took place here on Saturday. Owing to the paucity of shooters of whom there were only four, only half a days drive resulted. One fox was bagged, which fell to the gun of the local pedagogue.

Rabbit Inspector Lynch, I see, reports that the rabbits must have migrated from the Limekilns since his last visit. Yes, they have, per medium of traps, poison, and ferrets. If every place were as free his job would be pretty precarious.

12-11-1915 LM Although the days are very warm and the flies very troublesome, the nights are cool, and now and again we have a slight frost to remind tomato growers to keep their plants covered at night.

Mr. Inspector Henderson examined the school on Monday, and found everything most satisfactory.

I have heard of the diggers of olden days lighting their pipes with five-pound notes, but put it down as all moonshine. We had an instance of two "fivers" being burnt here recently. A local resident had a couple of them in his pocket (lucky man) when he paid a visit to a friend's place. Before he left he found he had lost them. A search was made, and the remains were found in the fire. The only part not burnt was the word "Australia." So Australia stood the test of fire there as well as at the Dardanelles. However, I do not think he recovered enough of them to have his loss made good by the bank.

08-12-1915 BT Crops which in the early part of the season promised well for wheat are now being cut for hay. This is the result of the late frosts, which, in addition to spoiling the wheat crops, have also settled everything susceptible to them.

Shearing has now finished here, and all the sheep have been dipped, with the exception of about 850 which arrived here on Friday for Mr. L. McLean. Those will be put through in the morning. The latter are very fat, which shows the state of the country from where they came, compared to what it was last year. There is plenty of dry feed here, but rain is very badly needed, as tanks and dams are at a low ebb. Bush fires have been raging on the outskirts of the district and some days the place is enveloped in smoke.

The writer received word from a Sydney fruit-grower that the flying foxes are making serious havoc with the fruit around Pennant Hills and Thornleigh. What fruit they don't destroy, he says, is mostly skin and seed.

Snakes are pretty prevalent, one having been killed by a school boy and two, both over 5 feet, by Mr. C. Tobin.

The Shire finances must be at a very low ebb. One maintenance man is off the road for good, and his length has been divided between the two who are left. Goodness knows, these two had long enough lengths to look after before, but now, well we can only expect the roads to be slummed. They have my sympathy.

A team of Kelso tennis players came out yesterday afternoon (per motor) and tried conclusions with the local team. After an enjoyable afternoon's play the Kelsoites were defeated by 15 games. One set only was won by them.

Bargains like the following are not picked up every day. A resident got a reaper and binder for £6. Slight repairs were needed, so it was sent to a Bathurst foundry, where £12 was offered for it. This was refused, and the owner is now busy cutting crops round the neighbour hood with it.

11-12-1915 BT DEATH McEvoy, of Limekilns, the public are kindly requested to attend the funeral of, John McEvoy, to move from Mrs. Ryan's residence, Willam St Bathurst

17-12-1915 LM The weather continues dry and water is at a low ebb. We have an occasional shower, but not enough to wet the ground. At Clear Creek they had a hail storm which left the hail a foot deep. Crops which in the early part of the season promised well for wheat are now, owing to the late frosts, all being cut for hay.

The apiarists seem to be doing a little good from what I can hear.

It seems things are made pretty warm for the maintenance men of the Meroo Shire. One of the men mended an Indian's vehicle on a Sunday, for which he was hauled over the coals. Another had a horse and dray working four days on the road. On the other two, he used to cut wood. He was told he would have to knock off the wood carting. He did so, but left the job altogether. A case of one man one job, but yet we see that Mr. R. D. Meagher, not satisfied with his tidy little screw as Speaker of the Assembly, is after the £1000 a year as " Lord Mayor" of Sydney. Of course it does not matter with the rich man but the poor, man "cops" it every time.

The sisters of mercy visited: on Saturday collecting for a bazaar to be hold at Wattle Flat in aid of the convent there.

As regards Australia Day Fund this scribe has had a plotter asking him what sum was collected here and the date on which it was sent.

The children of the local school are still looking forward to the certificate promised by the department on account of the collection made for the Belgian fund. For those two funds alone over £13 was sent.

25-02-1916 LM Recently 3000 sheep were to have been delivered at Wyagdon. Owing to the dogs being knocked up the sheep broke back with the result that over 1000 were missing. After all hands had searched, this tally was brought down 108. This scribe along with Mr. G. McKinnon saw about 60 of them in a local run, and as the drover has received word he now has most likely found the lot.

25-02-1916 BT Rain started to fall here yesterday at 3 o'clock and continued throughout the greater part of the night. So far 95 points have fallen. To-day it is again raining. What, with a few early showers, would have been a

good crop of corn is now being cut for cow food. All the crops in the district, of that cereal will be treated in the same manner. Mr. T. Clayton, who, until, recently was managing Mr. W. C. Richardson 's property here, has left the district. I hear that it is his intention to start a poultry farm. No one would think there was a scarcity of beef, as about 150 head of cattle passed through here yesterday towards Bathurst.

A couple of local residents are at present prospecting a reef towards Dark Corner.

11-03-1916 BT Good soaking rain fell here all day on the 7th. The previous rain gave the grass a start, and Tuesday's night to keep it growing. 160 head of bullocks passed through here recently. They were originally from Coonabarabran. On the road from Mudgee to Bathurst they were sold three times. One of the reasons, I think, for the high price the public pays for beef .

Since one of the road-men has had his services dispensed with, a maintenance man about here seems to be a rara avis. In fact, like the dodo, I think he is extinct. If one should happen along this way and cast his eye under Pender's Creek bridge he will get a shock at its dangerous state.

A lady recently arrived here who can speak five languages. It takes this scribe all his time to punctuate the atmosphere with good Australian.

31-03-1916 LM The weather in the early half of this week was cold, quite a contrast to that of last week. Rain has been threatening, but so far none has fallen. Water for stock is very scarce. In some cases the cattle have to be driven to water.

Our butcher has been unable for some time to obtain cattle, consequently customers are having a surfeit of mutton. As about 200 head of fat bullocks have passed his shop recently someone must be able to get beef.

A gang of rabbiters still grace the district but at the price paid, 3 ½ d per pair, I do not think many of them are on too good a wicket.

Fat sheep from Dulcis Vale realised a good price in Homebush recently. Some of them brought 35s per head.

Although the maintenance man and the shire engineer have both reported about the dangerous state of a bridge here, no workmen have yet turned up to rectify tilings. I suppose this matter will go before the Council's next meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Tobin have left the district to reside at Bathurst. One of our local apiarists has also taken his departure so as to get his exhibits ready for the R.A. Show. I think the apiarists have had a fair season, but the farmers are at a standstill as the ground is too hard to plough.

11-05-1916 BT

Mr. H. McCudden, one of the pioneers of the Paling Yards, died on Sunday after having had a bad time of it for some time past. The funeral, which took place to-day, was largely attended.

After the recent hailstorm, as Mr. T. Tobin was walking over his ground he was lucky enough to find a speck 4wts 6 dwts. Search so far has revealed no more.

The local saw mill, after being idle for some time past, is about to make another start. Some good logs have made their way there to be sawn into planks and flooring boards.

Notice that Mr. P. T. Cox intends offering himself for selection in the Liberal interest. Writer thinks if selected he has no hope. If Mr. R. D. Moore receives the selection, I think it will be a cake walk for him.

Our local carrier has carted out enough rabbit traps and lanterns to trap and light up the district. Rabbiting in in the boom just at present, all hands and the cook are having a slap at bunny.

Although reports have been received from local residents and from the shire engineer, traffic still goes over Penders Creek Bridge with its rotten and split girders. I can hear that one girder, a white gum at that, was put in 30 years ago.



WHEAT CARTING.

### "Glenroy" Limekilns 1916



**Back Row** (L to R): Bet Lewis, ?, Fred Tobin, ?, Frank Gorman, Jack Tobin, Mr Lewis (teacher), Dennis, Johnnie Tobin, Wed Graham, Jack Gorman, Ewen McKinnon, George McKinnon ..

**Middle Row** (L to R): Essie Tobin, Mary Byers, Annie Tobin, Eulalie Wilson, Nellie Tobin, Mid Tobin, Ella Ingram, Mrs Wed Grabham with Jessie, Mrs Lewis, Mrs Margaret Byers, Mrs Katy Ingram, Lou Tobin, Annie Lou Tobin, Mary Lewis, Mrs Emmy Gorman, Lil Gorman, Ethel Gorman.

**Front Row:** Frank Tobin, Tom Tobin, Jachie Lewis, Andy Tobin, Reg Tobin, Billy Byers, Emmet Tobin, Jimmy Tobin.

13-06-1916      BT      Heavy rain set in yesterday, and continued all the day. It also rained during a good portion of to-day. About 2 inches has fallen. Squatters and farmers seem to have lost that worried look since the rain.

The district is practically free of rabbits. Squatters consider it was never a better chance for netting their runs, but the price of netting won't let them look at it. While on the subject of rabbits, I think this the champion week's wages for a rabbiter. One trapper from Peel, who was trapping at Molong, cleared £28 for the week. He offered to bet a tanner he would clear £30 the following week, but could find no takers. We have men from here who have been clearing a tanner a week down the Turon River.

The referendum caused very little excitement here, owing no doubt to the rainy weather. Very few females, voted. The day was a good one for the publicans vote, as it made many feel inclined for a nip.

16-06-1916      LM      Mr. S Tobin recently purchased a four furrow plough, has only been able to do a couple of rounds with it owing to the rain.

The ground during the past few days has been dotted pretty well with mushrooms some of which were large enough to be used for umbrellas. This scribe has had them served up to him in all ways. The women folk are busy turning them into catsup.

17-07-1916      NA      FUNERAL.      BARNES      The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Barnes and the family the late Mr. and Mrs Thomas Tobin, Limekilns, are respectfully invited to attend the funeral of their late dearly beloved daughter and niece, Ellen Louisa, to move from her parents residence, 147 Peel Street, this (Monday) afternoon at 2 o'clock for the Catholic Cemetery, Bathurst. W. BOYD, Undertaker, 182 Piper Street. Telephone 116.

20-07-1916      BT      We have at last had a spell of fine weather, and to usher it in have had some very severe frosts. Farmers, however, cannot start ploughing owing to the sodden nature of the ground.

There are a good number of winter lambs about the district, of which the foxes take their share. Two foxes were seen a couple of days ago eating at a ewe which was scarcely dead.

After being idle for a good many years, the machinery at the marble works have been sold. Men will start immediately to pull it down, as it is to be taken away.

The saw-mill here is also to change hands, and though it will be removed from its present site, will remain in the district.

Limekiln ladies are a little indignant over the treatment meted out to them on Saturday night. Some of the Kelsoites had arranged to have a dance out here that night. The Kelso ladies were to provide sandwiches, while the

ladies here found the sweets. The latter carried out their share of the work, but not a soul or sandwich turned up from Kelso. They will have to supply a very good reason before the Limekilns ladies will go to such trouble again.

I have it on good authority that resident of Pennyweight, just out of Sofala, and who at one time was employed at Dulcie Vale station, was taken to a mental hospital on Saturday. It seems he shot his dogs, smashed up his sulky, and set fire to all his household effects, destroying the lot, and also 30 pounds, which he had in the house.

21-07-1916 LM Now that the closed season is at an end, for kangaroos, we have parties here from all directions after them, with the result that the mobs which were here have been practically wiped out. Foxes are still levying toll of the winter lambs. Two were seen eating a ewe which was not dead. .

I regret to state that Mr. G. Matthews, of near Sofala, was taken away on Saturday to a hospital. He worked here at Dulcis Vale station for a lengthy period, and was known as "Genial George."

31-07-1916 BT One of the eight horse teams engaged drawing the machinery from the Limekilns to Sugarloaf Marble Quarry, when turning off the main road at Cashman's gate (Rockley-road) took the turn too sharp, with the result that the off-side wheels missed the culvert and the trolley and team were capsized into the gutter, which is several feet deep. At the time there was over five tons of machinery on the trolley, and the marvel is that nothing was broke except a few straps, the horses escaping with scarce a scratch.

04-08-1916 LM Messrs. Partridge and party, owners of the Sugarloaf white marble quarry, near Cow Flat, having recently purchased the plant, with shed, etc., that was at the Limekilns are now dismantling same, and have three teams engaged fetching it through Bathurst to the new site.

15-08-1916 BT Mrs. Mackie, of Wattle Flat, has received a cable stating that her son Cliff has been wounded in action, whether seriously or not it does' not say.

. So far for last month and what has passed of this, we have had 15 inches of rain and two falls of snow. The ground is a veritable quagmire, and it is impossible to go with a vehicle off the main road. Fencers state that every post hole sunk is a miniature well.

Since the Shire Council dispersed with one maintenance man's services, we have been left with a length of road, between Palmers Oakey turn-off and Pender's Creek bridge, which was aptly designated as 'No Mans Land', It got its name from the fact that no maintenance man has been working on it since the Council curtailed expenses by attempting to make two men do the work which was previously done by three. The result is that the recent rains have cut a trench in one part of the road, and where this trench runs across a culvert it is possible to see the planks. As the Huns have not gained a footing in the Limekilns yet people do not see the necessity of trenches in the place, especially in the main road. If this matter is not promptly attended to it will mean a bigger expense later on. It is also becoming dangerous for vehicular traffic.

03-10-1916 BT After quite a week's fine weather we are being treated to more rain. It fell all day on Sunday, part of Monday, and, also, on Tuesday. The maintenance man was recently put on what, was termed 'no man's land' for the first time for two years. Pipe heads were put in at a dangerous culvert, and so far as he was able, by means of a barrow, the road has been made fairly satisfactory. About, five years ago some tons of shale, were quarried out here, and have never been made use of. How is it, that a horse and dray cannot be put on for a couple of days, so as some of this shale can be put on the road in place of filling in the ruts with any available rubbish which may be close, handy, and gets washed out by the first rain,?

The motor lorry runs through here daily picking up rabbits. They are that scarce that the local carter could not made a do of it. One trapper informed me that out of 30 traps he only got three pair. One paddock which at one time had numerous rabbits in it has been wire-netted and ploughed. Ferrets were put in the burrows, but not a sign of a rabbit was seen.

Bee-keepers have been busy sending in their payments, of taxation. They do not complain much about this, but they do trust that an inspector who knows his work will be appointed, and not one pitch forked into the job who may prove a squib.

Conscription is the main topic, and judging from what I hear the majority here are against it. The writer heard one staunch Labour supporter say, that if Ah Koo the chow, put up against Billy Hughes, he would vote for the former.

13-10-1916 LM Not for many years has the district been favoured with a winter like this year's. It was remarkable for the absence of frosts and the copious rainfall. The result is, that the place is a perfect picture, the grass in some places being two feet high.

While squaring a log off recently. Mr. P. McEvoy had the misfortune to inflict a nasty gash on the instep caused by the axe slipping.

Two old identities in Messrs. A. Wilson and J. Gorman have had trying times of it lately. The former, I am pleased to say, is pretty near O.K. again, but the latter does not seem to make headway.

Some stock inspectors avow that the trappers are of not much use on the ground, as they do not destroy the kittens. To show that the young rabbits are settled, two trappers here between them caught 75 pairs of rabbits one night. Out of these 50 pairs were kittens, and they got short shift.

The appeal for sheep for Hathrop, to be a home for wounded soldiers, has met with a ready response in this district. Five fat sheep were donated by Mr. J. McLean of Dulcis Vale.

03-11-1916 LM Polling day here passed off very quietly. There were only 40 votes polled, including nine absentees. Although the votes were not counted, out of the 31 voters whose names were on the Bathurst subdivision roll, 27 were against and the remaining four for conscription.



While Mr. J. Gorman and his sister were driving down what, is known as 'the sideling', the horse started to play up. Seeing things were going to be serious, Miss Gorman jumped out of the sulky. The driver stuck to it until the shaft was broken, when he also jumped out. The sulky was smashed badly from the horses kicking and the "neddy" also suffered badly from falling.

Another lucky let-off occurred while Mrs. Mackie and her daughter were returning here on Sunday. The horse fell and the occupants were thrown out. Barring minor injuries in both cases, all escaped very luckily.

The inspector recently examined the school pupils, he told them that the school would have to close owing to scarcity of numbers. The teacher has received word to prepare for a removal.

Shearing is being carried out at Mr. Grabhams. He and another local are putting some through, pending the arrival of the professional shearers. Sheep in this district are fit for the butchers, without any topping up whatever.

What promised to be a record season for fruit here, has been spoiled by a couple of heavy frosts. The stone fruit and grapes will now be an absolute failure. Frosts have been known to make their appearance here at Christmas. .

A visitor has heard of two or three in an adjoining district, who prefer gaol to reporting for compulsory training. There are two sides to this, and I was always under the impression that the outside was the better.

07-11-1916 BT LIMEKILNS. What was a very pleasing function in every way took place on Friday night, 3rd instant. As the school here is about to close owing to the scarcity of children, and the teacher, Mr. W. Lewis, is about to be removed, the residents mustered in force to give him and Mrs. Lewis a fitting send-off. About fifty people attended at the residence of Mr. D. Tobin, and danced until daylight. During the evening, Mr. J. Byers presented the guests of the evening, on behalf of the residents, with a beautiful tea service and a set of silver spoons and forks. He voiced the sentiments of the residents, he said, in saying that it was with great regret that they were losing such a worthy couple, and expressed the hope that luck would attend them where they were going. Mr. D. Tobin also made some nice remarks about the teacher's kindness to the school children during the past eight years. In thanking the residents, Mr. Lewis said that while here he had done his best for the interests of the children, and, while appreciating very sincerely their good wishes, was pleased to see that every resident could be looked upon as a friend.

We have rats here in abundance. By that I do not mean that the people have them, but that they can be found here in every residence. One resident had a number of fox and wallaby skins under some bags of chaff. The latter was put into new bags, and out of 12 bags only three were found, sound. Of the skins not a particle remained, that the rodents fancied them for nest making purposes. In a couple of places they have taken to the gnawing of harness.

One young fellow, not a local one, but from an adjoining neighbourhood, presented himself for compulsory training. Being under the influence, he was told by the doctor to go home, and come back sober. 'What!' said the one presenting himself, 'walk home 15 miles and come back here again?' 'Well,' said the doctor, 'stay in town and get sober.' 'Look here,' said the other, 'if I stay in town I'll never get sober.' I am waiting to hear the verdict

10-11-1916 BT LOST, between 11 mile and 14 mileposts on Limekilns Road, 3-bar gold Brooch, set with stones. Reward, Mrs. Atcheson, Limekilns.

10-10-1917 BT BONFIELD.— The friends and relatives, of Mrs. T. McKinnon and family, Limekilns, are respectfully invited to attend the funeral of their late dearly beloved daughter and sister, Marcella Mary Bonfield, to move from 291 Stewart-street, at 2 o'clock To-morrow (Friday) afternoon, for the Presbyterian Cemetery, Bathurst. W. Boyd, Undertaker, 182 Piper Street. Telephone 116.

08-06-1917 BT There are hundreds of people living in Bathurst who have never seen the Jenolan Caves, and probably a big percentage of these people will never see them. These gems of the underground world with their mystic streams many through dark places, their wonderful and sparkling specimens of nature's handiwork in stalagmite and stalactite, are able to tempt visitors from distance's that run into hundreds and thousands of miles, but they are just too far away for the average Bathurstian to bother about them. Were they in New Zealand, Tasmania, or one of the neighbouring States there would probably be more Bathurst names in the visitors' books than there are in the visitors book at Jenolan Caves to-day. Luckily for Bathurst, the Jenolan Caves are not the only caves near us. That they are the only ones worthwhile may be possible, but that is highly probable. Out at the Limekilns there are caves known to a few people only. Just as the Jenolan Caves were then known only to a few But men of the Wilson and Wiburd type, daring, impetuous, ready to wrest nature's secrets from the darkness, crawled and wriggled and delved through dingy passages and unknown ways until they found what they searched for, the beauties of the Jenolan. Who call tell that a similar stamp of men will not one day do for the Limekilns caves what the men named have done for Jenolan. Only if this does come to pass the new beauty spot must be re-christened. Think of sparkling draperies sending out the colours of the rainbow and doing it in the name of the Limekilns Caves.

Mr. J. J. Sullivan has interested himself in the new caves and has visited them. He believes there is some-thing good to be found there. This much he knows, that there are two caves separated by about a quarter of a mile. Little is known of either, and nothing at all is known of what lies between or beyond the two. With his usual thoroughness Mr. Sullivan has interviewed the Government represented by Mr. J. D. Fitzgerald. Appended is the official report on one of the caves. It is not an assuring report, but there is this fact that the time was when the Jenolan Caves as then known were not specially attractive. Possibly an organised party could find something at the Limekilns that would encourage others to search further. Who knows?

Perhaps a second and even greater Jenolan lies so close to our town doors that even the hundreds who have not yet seen a cave may be tempted to go out one afternoon and view nature as a weaver and a freak builder.  
Geological Branch, 16 Sept. 1898.

Sir,— In compliance with your instructions I have the honour to report on the application of W. F. Hurey, Esq., M.P. for the opening up and improving of a Limestone cave near the Limekilns Post Office. The cave is on private property, portion 13, parish of Jesse, county of Roxburgh, 17 miles N.N.E. of Bathurst. Its entrance has been improved by excavation and by the erection of a gate. The cave runs northerly for about 100 feet. It is from 8 to 15 ft. wide and from 2 to 10 feet high. At 80 feet from the entrance there is a "basin" formation. At 120 feet some small drapery formations and stalactites may be seen. There are occasional groups of broken stalactites. The formations are all dull coloured and of little beauty, and in many cases have been mutilated.

The cave is dirty and uninteresting, throughout. An objectionable feature is present in the shape of foul air which was met with at 225 feet. I do not think that there is anything to justify the Government in resuming the land for the purpose of improving the cave. I have indicated on a sketch here-with, the position of the cave, and also, of the limestone outcrops in some of which are the quarries in the beautiful variegated marble known as the "Fernbrook marble." I have, &c., O. TRICKETT, Licenced Surveyor.

15-09-1917 BT From the Chief Inspector of Stock relative to the establishment of a water and camping reserve on the Limekilns road, and stating that the transfer and voucher were at present with the vendor's solicitor (Mr. J. McPhillamy, of Bathurst) for completion, and he had been asked to expedite the matter.

08-10-1917 MG Death of Miss McCudden.—It is with deep regret that I am again the recorder of death, at Wattle Flat. Miss Elizabeth McCudden, aged 55 years, died at her mother's residence, on the Limekiln Road, on September 23. Her remains were interred at Wattle Flat in the Catholic cemetery on Wednesday, September 24.

10-10-1917 BT BONFIELD.— The friends and relatives, of Mrs. T. McKinnon and family, Limekilns, are respectfully invited to attend the funeral of their late dearly beloved daughter and sister, Marcella Mary Bonfield, to move from 291 Stewart-street, at 2 o'clock To-morrow (Friday) afternoon, for the Presbyterian Cemetery, Bathurst. W. Boyd, Undertaker, 182 Piper Street.

09-11-1917 BT WANTED, Buggy Horse, quiet and staunch. Apply by letter, H. Shirlaw, Limekilns

19-11-1917 BNA The funeral of the late James J Tobin took place from the Limekilns to the Bathurst Cemetery yesterday afternoon. The attendance was large and included many relatives and friends of the deceased from Sydney and other distant centres. The body which was contained in a polished Queensland maple coffin with silver mountings was borne to the Catholic portion of the cemetery by Messrs A and G Wilson, D, F and M Tobin and Frank Gorman. The Rev Fathers Norton and McKeone officiated at the services at the Mortuary Chapel and the graveside. Many floral tributes were received including those from Misses Murphy (Sydney), Mr and Mrs G Hudson (Sydney), Mrs McCloy (Sydney), Mr and Mrs Ben Tobin and Family and Mr and Mrs Denis Tobin and family. The late Mr Tobin was a member of one of the oldest families of the district and was widely known and popular in the Wattle Flat district.

14-12-1917 SMH IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES. Probate Jurisdiction. In the Will of JAMES TOBIN, late of Alice Dale Limekilns, in the State of New South Wales, Grazier, deceased. Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will, and Testament of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to JOHN TOBIN, the sole Executor named in the said Will. All persons having any claims against the Estate of the said deceased are requested to forward particulars thereof to the undersigned within the said fourteen days, and all notices herein may be served at the undermentioned address. F. B. KENNY, Proctor, Exchange, Church-street, Bathurst. By his Agents, FULTON and LOWE, , Sydney.

25-03-1918 BT DEATH Mr. William Atcheson, a very old and respected resident of Limekilns died last night after a long illness, at the advanced age of 74 years. The de-ceased had lived, in the district for over 50 years, and had followed grazing pursuits of late years. He was formerly a teamster, and brought loading over the Mountains in the early days, before the advent of the rail-way. The family, who have the deepest sympathy of a large circle of friends and relatives, are the widower, four daughters, and two sons: Mrs J. Griffiths (Togong), Mrs. F. Jones and Mrs V. Thorman Lithgow, and Mrs. T. Haines (O'Connell road); Messrs, William Atcheson (Limekilns) and Herbert Atcheson (Wollongong). The funeral will leave Limekilns at 10 o'clock on Wednesday morning for the Kelso cemetery.

09-04-1918 BT A petition was received from C. E. Tobin and 47 others, requesting the council to allow Mr. George Bender, maintenance man, to work permanently on the length of road Kelso to Limekilns. Under the present conditions, .Mr. Bender was frequently taken off this road, with the result that the surface got into bad repair: and when he was put back again he could not restore it to its former, state.

19-04-1918 LM Bathurst Show. The prize for the best all-round saddle and harness horse went to L.J. McLean, of Limekilns.

02-05-1918 SMH IN THE SEPREME COURT OF NFW SOUTH Probate Jurisdiction In the Will of WILLIAM WALTER ATCHESON late of Limekilns in the State of New South Wales, Labourer 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 WILLIAM CLAUD RANKIN SINCLAIR and EDWARD GRABHAM the executors named in the said Will and all notices are to be served at the undermentioned address. WILLIAM CLAUD RANKIN SINCLAIR, EDWARD GRABHAM Clear Creek and Limekilns.

26-06-1918 NA Wanted to lease, small property, little cultivation land and sufficient grass country to run from two to four hundred sheep. Particulars 'Rural, Post Office, Limekilns, via Peel

05-08-1918 BT LOST IN THE BUSH. Mr; Patrick Savage, an employee of Messrs Mockler Bros was out shooting with a small party near Limekilns on Saturday when he lost his way in the bush. Mr. and Mrs. Dayle, who were with Mr. Savage, reported the matter to the Bathurst police. A search party went out after Mr. Savage but they met him walking home along the Limekilns road about 9 p.m.

09-09-1918      NA      Died in a Train      OLD DISTRICT RESIDENT'S TRAGIC END.

An awfully sudden death took place in a carriage attached to the mail train which arrived at Bathurst at 3 o'clock on Sunday morning, when Mr. Alfred James Sinclair, a very old and respected resident of the Limekilns, who has been for sometime past living with his two sons at Dunedoo, near Gulgong, expired in a few seconds. He was 76 years of age, and had not enjoyed good health for some years, and last week arrangements were made for him to come to Bathurst and enter Strathmore Private Hospital for medical treatment. When the train arrived at Wallerawang there was a wait of about an hour for the western mail, and nothing unusual was noticeable with Mr. Sinclair. He wound his watch and with his son and son-in-law boarded the train. But as the train started Mr. Sinclair suddenly collapsed and he died in a few moments. The deceased was a native of Clear Creek. Besides leaving a widow, he leaves two daughters, Mrs. A Schofield (Bathurst), Mrs. H. Honeyman (Raglan), and four sons, Messrs. John (Nyngan) Hilton, Ernest and Hector (Limekilns), and innumerable other relatives. The remains will be interred in the Presbyterian Cemetery

to-morrow (Tuesday) morning. The funeral leaves W. S. Hodge's funeral parlor at 11 o'clock.

#### **Palmers Oakey 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  
21-09-1918      P.O. vs Limekilns Won by 1 set even games

26-10-1918      BT      ATCHESON.— The friends and relatives of Mrs. Sarah Atcheson and family of Limekilns, are kindly invited to attend the funeral of their late dearly beloved son and brother, William Robert Atcheson to move from No. 1 George-street (Mrs. McAndrew's residence). on Monday at 3 p.m. for the Kelso Church of England Cemetery

27-12-1918      LM      Mr. C. W., Johnston, M.L.A., has received a letter from the Education Department in connection with the reopening of the provisional school at Limekilns to the effect that a report had been received upon the matter that the number of children available was not sufficiently large to warrant the reopening of the school. Under the circumstances the Minister was not prepared to accede to the request. An application by the residents, however, for a subsidy in aid of private teaching of the children would be favourably considered by the department.

#### **1919 Palmers Oakey 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

06-01-1920      NA      THANKS      Mrs. Atcheson. of Limekilns, desires to return her sincere thanks to the medical attendants, matron and nursing staff of the Bathurst District Hospital for their unremitting attention and other friends for their kindness during her recent severe illness.

05-02-1920      BT      The school hall at the Limekilns was far too small on a recent night when a large number of people from the surrounding districts met to bid farewell to Mr C Tobin and family. The visitors were from Peel, Wattle Flat, Hollybrook, Sofala, Palmers Oakey, Bathurst and Kelso. Dancing commenced at about 8.30 and was kept going until it was light enough to go home. Supper was served by the ladies of the Limekilns and as usual was of the highest type. During the adjournment for supper Mr Syers made a presentation on behalf of the people of the village and a second one on behalf of the members of the tennis club of which Mr C Tobin had been Hon Sec almost since it was formed. It was due to his tact, he said, that the club had been kept going so well and it was recognised as one of the leading country clubs in the district. The present from the residents took the shape of a handsome silver afternoon tea and coffee set, while the tennis players asked Mr Tobin to accept a fine fountain pen, and at the same time gave him a hint what to do with it after he had gone. Various speakers voiced their sentiments. The family has decided to make their home in Kelso. Mr Tobin feelingly responded and extended a hearty welcome to anyone present to visit them when they became settled in their new home.

14-04-1920      NA      A SUCCESSFUL PETITION.      The Turon Shire Council received a petition from about 20 residents of Limekilns, praying that the services of G. Bender, as maintained man on the Kelso-Limekilns road, should be retained. The President, Cr. Hodge, explained to the Council that Bender had been transferred to the Quarry, but, he would be sent back to the Kelso-Limekilns road as soon as possible.

16-04-1920      BT      The death occurred suddenly Howick Street yesterday afternoon of Mr. Hugh Shirlaw, of Limekilns, who, with some of his friends, was in for the show. Mr. Shirlaw was attacked by a fit of coughing while walking between William and George streets and finally collapsed. The ambulance was summoned and the patient taken to the hospital, where life was pronounced extinct, fatal haemorrhage having set in.

16-04-1920      BT      SHIRLAW.— The relatives and friends of the late Hugh Shirlaw, late of Limekilns, are kindly invited to attend his funeral, which will move from L. V. E. Munn's funeral parlour at 11 a.m.to-morrow (Saturday) for the Presbyterian portion of the Bathurst Cemetery. L. V. E. Munn, Undertaker, 139 William-street. Phone126.

17-04-1920      NA      A very enjoyable evening took place at the School of Arts hall Limekilns, when friends from far and near gathered to bid farewell to Mrs. James Tobin and family of The Swamp, who were leaving to take up their residence at Kelso. Dancing was indulged in, very appropriate music, being supplied by Misses N. and D. Tobin. Mr. C. B. McKinnon was a capable M.C. Supper was supplied by the ladies of Limekilns, after which Mr. D. Tobin on behalf

of the residents presented the departing family with a hand painted afternoon tea service, a silver tea pot, and a silver glass sugar basin. Mr. Fred Tobin responded.

21-04-1920 NA Mr. J. L. McLean, of 'Dulci's Vale' Limekilns who recently sold his 3,000 acres Estate to Mr. Thomas Christian will shortly be leaving Bathurst to take up land in the Forbes district.

Mr. McLean has been a prominent exhibitor at the few shows and horse carnivals hold in Bathurst since the outbreak of the war. He was also a practical supporter of the Bathurst Turf and Trotting' Clubs, and was judge for the Kelso-Hereford Racing Club.

12-05-1920 NA RETURN THANKS. Mrs. H. Shirlaw; of Limekilns, desires to return her heartfelt thanks to Mr. Gourgo Maries, Mr. and Mrs. Art Schofield of Bentinck Street, Messrs Sinclair Bros (3) for their kindness and other friends for letters, cards and expressions of sympathy received during her recent sad bereavement.

15-05-1920 BT Mr. L. J. McLean, late of Dulcis Vale, Limekilns, resigning his position as acting inspector of stock for the issue of permits, and recommending that Mr. E. Grabham, of Clear Vale, Limekilns, be appointed in his stead. Received and decided to appoint: Mr. Grabham.

26-05-1920 NA TELEPHONE SERVICE

Mr. S. Nicholls M.H.R has received the following from the P.M.G Department Advirting to my communication of February 11, 1920 relative to your representations in regard to the desired establishment of telephone service between Wattle Flat and Limekilns I have to intimate that an application has been received from residents of Limekilns for the erection of a party line from Mr. McLean's residence at Limekilns to Peel post-office, and action is now proceeding in connection therewith.

31-05-1920 BT DEATH McKINNON.— The relatives and friends of Mrs. Ingram and family, and Mr. E. P. and. G. K. McKinnon, of Limekiln's, are kindly invited to attend the funeral of their late dearly beloved mother and grandmother, Catherine, to move from her late residence, Limekilns, at 8 a.m. on Wednesday next for the Bathurst Presbyterian Cemetery. Funeral will arrive at cemetery at 2 p.m. L. V. E. Munn, Funeral Director, 139 William-street. Telephone 126.



MRS. CATHERINE McKINNON. Nee Ferguson

19-06-1920 NA Sale 41 acre farm, all netted, at Limekilns (Mr B. Tobin's property) 5 acres of orchard, 5 roomed good W.B. cottage, hay shed, stable, and store room. Price £280 gift, Torrens Title. F. Glasson.

14-09-1920 BA ATCHESON— The relatives and friends of the late Sarah Atcheson, late of the Limekilns, are kindly invited to attend her funeral to leave No. 36 William-street, To-day (Tuesday) at 3.30 p.m., for the Kelso Cemetery. E. Munn, Motor Funeral Furnisher. 139 William-street.

29-10-1920 NA Death The death occurred yesterday of Miss Gladys McCudden, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McCudden, of Lithgow, and well known throughout the Bathurst, Limekilns, and Wattle Flat districts. The deceased, who was only 19 years of age, had been suffering from an incurable complaint for the last three years. Up to that time she had given promise to develop into fine robust womanhood. The greatest sympathy will be extended the sorrowing parents in their loss. The funeral will take place at Lithgow this afternoon.

05-11-1920 NA Funeral McEVOY. The friends of Mr. Patrick McEvoy, of Limekilns, are kindly requested to attend the funeral of his late brother, John McEvoy, to move from Mrs. Ryan's residence, William street, Bathurst, on Friday at 3 o'clock p.m. to Catholic Cemetery.

01-01-1921 NA DEATH TOBIN The relatives and friends of the family of the late Mrs Martha Agnes Tobin, relict of the late James Tobin, of the Limekilns, are kindly invited to attend her funeral, which will move from her late residence, Kelso, at 2 p.m. to-day (Saturday) per motor hearse, arriving at Wattle Flat Catholic Cemetery, at 4 p.m. Friends kindly meet at Wattle Flat Cemetery L. V. E. Munn, Funeral Director, 139 William Street. 'Phone 126.

02-02-1921 BT IN THE ESTATE of WILLIAM BELL late of The Limekilns in the State, of New South Wales Farmer deceased intestate. APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to DENNIS BELL of Bathurst, a son of the said deceased.

24-02-1921 BT GRABHAM.— The relatives and friends of Mr. and Mrs. E. Grabham, of the Limekilns, are kindly invited to attend the funeral of their late dearly beloved daughter (Jessie) to leave their residence at 11 o'clock on Friday morning for Dark Corner Cemetery (via Kelso). L. V. E. Munn. Undertaker, 130 William-street, Bathurst.

03-03-1921 MG The season. LOOKING BACKWARDS FROM 1926.

This forecast is based on a careful study of the sun, moon and stars compared with previous years.

Twenty-one was very fair.

As it was known by all.

Cyclonic storms both wild and rare |

Passed over in the fall.

Twenty-two, with the south skies blue,

Was somewhat slightly dry,

Though with previous rains enough grass grew

Till rain came by-and-bye.

Twenty- three was extra good.

Farmers made big money,

While all the bees' nests in the wood

Were filled right up with honey.

Twenty-four was very poor;

The spring was short of rain,

But a deluge came once more

And grass grew once again.

Twenty-five with humid atmosphere,

The stringy bark all covered in buds,

While in the later of the year

Were several fair-sized floods. ANDREW TOBIN, Limekilns.

11-07-1921 NA I withdraw the sale of my property at Limekilns from the hands of all agents, from this date.  
B. Tobin.

15-08-1921 NA DEATH Mr. Patrick Chifley, Senr., one of Bathurst's best known and highly respected residents died at his late residence, Havannah Street, yesterday afternoon, after an illness of about five weeks. Fifty-eight years ago, Mr. Chifley was born in a house in Rankin Street, and but for a few years residence at the Limekilns, had spent the remainder of his existence in Bathurst. For 42 years he was connected with the firm of Messrs. Fish and Sons where for a number of years past he had filled the position of leading blacksmith. He was a man of high integrity and was most popular with all whom he came into contact and his death will be deeply regretted. He was a good friend and loving father, a man who by straight dealing and force of character won for himself the honor and esteem of his fellows, no man can do more. For many years he was on the Board of Directors of the "National Advocate" and his advice and administrative ability proved most valuable. He is survived by a widow and three sons, Messrs. Benjamin, Patrick and Richard Chifley, all Bathurst residents. The funeral will take place this afternoon.

28-12-1921 NA RAIN From 4 o'clock on Monday after noon until about 6 o'clock on Tuesday morning, 437 points of rain were recorded in Bathurst. Particularly heavy was the rainfall at Palmer's Oakey and Limekilns, and this came down the gullies and creeks with terrific force.

16-01-1922 BT The members of the Bathurst Motor Cycle Club held a most enjoyable social run to the Limekilns Caves, 21miles north of Bathurst, yesterday. Ten side cars and four solo machines participated in the trip. The party, which consisted of nearly 20, many of whom were associate members, had a good look through the caves and had a very pleasant outing. Another trip is being arranged for next Thursday week (Anniversary Day) when Lithgow will be visited.

03-04-1922 SMH IN THE SUPRIME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES -Probate Jurisdiction -In the Estate of JEREMIAH McEVOY late of Limekilns, near Bathurst, In the State of New South Wales, farmer, 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 undersigned on or before the 3rd day of May, 1922 T W GARRETT, Public Trustee, Culwulla chambers, Castlereagh street, Sydney

IN THF SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES -Probate Jurisdiction -In the Estate of MARGARET McEVOY late of Limekilns, near Bathurst, in the State of New South Wales, Widow, 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 3rd day of May, 1922 T W GARRETT, Public Trustee, Culwulla chambers. Castlereagh street Sydney\_

01-05-1922 NA SECOND PRIZE HONEY DISPLAY

Mr. W. D. Seabrook, of Limekilns secured second prize at the Sydney Show for honey display.

04-07-1922 BT A pony harnessed to a sulky and the property of Mrs. A. Sinclair, of Limekilns, created some excitement in Bentinck-street yesterday afternoon. The pony was tied to the sulky by the reins and was standing outside the residence of Mrs. Sinclair's daughter, when it took fright and made off. The animal steered a clear course into

Russell Street, where it was stopped by Mr. C. Mansell. The little escapade was carried through without damage of any sort.

15-07-1922 NA NOT THE SAME. Mr. Ernest Sinclair who was lined at the Bathurst Police Court on Monday, is in no way connected with Mr. Alfred Ernest Sinclair of Limekilns.

03-08-1922 BT Mr. E. Grabham fell from a lucerne stack at Limekilns on to an upstanding pitchfork, which ran into his nose and held him suspended in the air for some seconds. He was brought to Bathurst for medical attention.

30-08-1922 NA 40 acres, at Limekilns, for sale today 3 o'clock at Court House, Bathurst. A/c Estate Margt. McEvoy. Glasson and Co

30-09-1922 NA TENNIS CHALLENGE The Bathurst Tennis Club has received a challenge from the Limekilns Club and duly accepted by the secretary Mr. P. J. Moodie. The match will be played on the Limekilns court on October 21, when a team of four ladies and four gents will proceed thither to try conclusions with the countryside team. .

08-11-1922 BT Councillor Crossley drew the attention of the Turon Shire Council to the dangerous state of a culvert about 15miles out on the Limekilns Road. The culvert had collapsed as a result of the July flood. Councillor Manning said the culvert was in such a condition that unless repairs were effected someone would be killed there. Engineer O'Neill said it would cost £150 to put the culvert in order. It was resolved that the engineer should effect temporary repairs.

23-10-1922 NA Players representing the Bathurst Tennis Club sustained somewhat of a shock at Limekilns on Saturday afternoon, when they were defeated by the local Club by 55 games to 42 This is the first defeat sustained by the club since its formation

07-12-1922 BT IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES Probate jurisdiction in the Estate of JOHN McEVOY late of Limekilns near Bathurst in the State of New South Wales, Labourer, deceased, Intestate. APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof, that administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased maybe granted to the PUBLIC TRUSTEE; and all persons having claims against the said Estate must render the same details to the undersigned on or before the sixth day of January 1923. T. W.GARRETT Public Trustee, Culwulla. Chambers, Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

25-05-1923 LM Three old Bathurst district residents died on Monday  
James Turnbull, of Perthville, aged 70 years;  
Alexander Wilson, of Limekilns, 80 years of age; and  
Miss Margaret Tobin, of Limekilns, at the age of 59 years.

24-10-1923 NA IMPORTANT CLEARING-OUT SALE Farming Implements, Vehicles, Milch Cows, Lucerne Hay, Household Furniture etc.

CLEMENTS & MCCARTHY have received Instructions from GEO. B. McKINNON ESQ to sell by auction at 'GLENROY' STATION, Limekilns, 18 Miles from Bathurst, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup> Commencing at 1 o'clock

#### PLANT

1 Chaff Cutter and Horse Works. (in good order) 1 Double Furrow Plough, 2 Single Furrow Ploughs, 1, I.X.L. Poison Cart in great order, 2 Horse Rake, Mowing Machine. 1 5-horse Dray. 1 2-horse dray. Spring Cart, Double Sealed Buggy, Shads and Pole, 1 Corn Sheller, Set 3 horse Harrows,- Set 2horse Harrows, Set 1 horse Harrows, Leading, Plough, Spring-Cart and Sulky Harness, Saddle and Bridles, 6 large and small Collars, Sulky (in perfect order ) 3 x 400 gal ships tanks, 1 x 200 gal ships tank

#### CATTLE

3 Milch Cows in full profit, 1 Springer.

#### FURNITURE ETC

7 piece Dining Suite (almost new) quantity of Chairs and Tables, Double and Single Bedsteads, Spring Mattresses, 1 Fuel stove, Wheelbarrow and sundries too numerous to particularise. Also about 5 tons of Lucerne hay. As Mr. McKinnon having sold his property everything is for straight-out sale. TERMS CASH.

29-10-1923 NA DEATH The death occurred at her brother's residence the Limekilns of Mrs Jessie Elizabeth Byer. Deceased who was 56 years of age had been ailing for about twelve months. A family of three sons are left. The body will be interred in the Presbyterian portion of the Bathurst cemetery this afternoon arriving at 1.45 p.m.

31-01-1924 BT The picturesque hamlet of Limekilns was alive a few nights ago when over a hundred guests were entertained at 'Tabberatong,' the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Tobin. The occasion was a farewell dinner and dance tendered to Mr. and Mrs. Tobin's only son Jack, on the near approach of his departure for America by the *Sonoma*. Mr. Tobin has been studying aviation and wireless telegraphy in Sydney for some considerable time and while in the States will continue his studies. He will spend the major portion of his American stay in New York. From America he will proceed to England and attend the grand international exhibition in London. After a holiday in the Homeland he will travel most of the continental countries. At the conclusion of the evening Mr. Thomas Clayton on behalf of the gathering thanked the host and hostess for the exceedingly enjoyable time provided and expressed the best wishes for their departing son's luck and happiness in his tour and in his future career. Mr. Tobin replied in a felicitous manner and his remarks amply attested to his keen appreciation of the sentiments passed by his many friends.

02-02-1924 BT 'Tabberatong,' the beautiful residence of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Tobin, of Limekilns, wore a pretty and gay appearance recently when a dinner followed by a dance was given in honour of their son Jack, who has



since left on a tour of the world. Both the dining and ball rooms were elaborately decorated the artistry and originality of the fair girls; being made manifest in this very spectacular work. Credit is indeed reflected on those responsible for the arrangements and carrying out of the pleasant event. After the tasteful edibles were done justice to the guests repaired to the dance hall where several hours of merriment passed all too quickly. The music for the dance lovers was excellent and made the past time the more pleasant. Quite a number of the guests travelled long journeys to join in the valedictory tendered their sincere and highly esteemed friend. Visitors were present from Sydney, Canowindra, Bathurst, Lithgow, Kandos, and other smaller centres. Mrs. Dennis Tobin received her guests in a handsome black frock. Some exceedingly attractive frocks were worn. Mrs. J. Tobin wore a smart black frock, while her daughter, Miss Mary wore white, Mrs. Jones fuchsia taffeta Miss Linda Twadell, apricot marocain, Miss Laura Pratley looked pretty in a sweet frock of white georgette, Miss Nancy Quinn danced in a simple frock of pink voile, Miss E. Ingram, eastern silk, Miss Mid Tobin, smart frock of black silk velvet, Miss Sou black frock with jet trimmings, Misses Jessie and Mary Byers pink and apricot frocks respectively, Mrs. Frank Pratley wore a dainty frock of putty crepe de chine, Miss E. Wilson, grew crepe de chine,. Miss E. Gorman (Kandos) filming georgette, Mrs. S. Tabre blue brocade, Miss Ellen Wilson simple frock of white, Mrs. Frank Gorman 's appealing, gown of green satin in the latest shade relieved with cherry was admired on all sides, Miss Ferguson blue frock, Miss Jessie Pratley smart frock of silk, Miss F. Drew canary shade of duchess mousse lain, Miss Kathleen Morris, who is staying at 'Tabberatong,' wore putty georgette, Miss Alma Tobin looked becoming in a sweet gown of bronze and kingfisher, Miss Nellie Tobin wore a curly Victorian frock of blue and crome, Miss Flora Ferguson, blue silk, Mrs. Norman Tobin (Canowindra) cream taffeta, Mrs. Griffin black touched with red, Mrs. J. Gorman apple green, Miss M. Scott pink crepe de chine. Other ladies amongst the merry throng were: Mrs. T. Tobin, Mrs. Armour, Mrs. Clayton, Mrs. Gordon, a visitor from Sydney, Mrs. Ingram, Misses A. and J. Tobin, Mrs. Ferguson.

05-04-1924 BT Mrs. J. Tobin and her young daughter, of the Limekilns, left Bathurst yesterday, for Sydney. They are off to see the Fleet



03-05-1924 BT The honey display .was one that came in for much admiration at the Bathurst show. The first prize trophy, staged by Mr. W. D. Seabrook, of Limekilns, was most praiseworthy. It had also won the championship, at the Royal Show,

11-06-1924 LM According to a report there appears to be unusual activity in mining in the district. A demand for miners' rights has set in, and many applications have recently been lodged at Bathurst, Wattle Flat, and elsewhere. At Airly a good show has been located by Messrs. Brown and Johnston. Near Mt. Werong another alluvial patch has come to light. At Wattle Flat, Geo. Foster's sluicing claims promise well in near future.

At the instigation of Mr. Thomas. Tobin of "Rosedale" Limekilns, Mr. Franklin Jackes, the well known geologist and mineralogist, of Sydney, has been induced to pay a visit of inspection to the locality; and is so impressed with the possibilities offering, and at present lying, dormant, that he has secured a large prospecting area in what is known as the mountain near Mount Franklin on the main range near the old Sunny Corner road, dividing the waters of the Turon and Macquarie, and undoubtedly feeding both Palmer's Oakey and Diamond Creek. Much gold has been got on the terraces and in, the beds, of both waters. Its source has now been traced to Mt. Franklin, up gullies, spurs and by loaming, etc.

Operations commenced a week ago and good progress is being made. Aid has been applied for. It is the intention to apply for special leases. The services of Mr. George Foster, miner, of Wattle Flat, have been secured, and he is making splendid progress with the work in hand. Mr. Jackes' report is a very favourable one, after careful testing and inspection of the whole area. He anticipates inducing an early inspection on behalf of English and American capital. A

departmental assay from the "fringe" of the deposit, gave 2oz. 4dwts. 15grs. of gold to the ton and silver 1 dwt. 2grs. per ton, which is considered satisfactory. Mr. Jackcs has applied for 83 acres (in two blocks) for Limekilns marble, and has had inquiry from American capital concerning those deposits. Extraordinary beautiful samples are to be seen at "Rosedale" and huge slabs in St. James' church, King-street, Sydney, are examples of what can be obtained from, this locality. It is of a high grade. A big slab quarry has also been taken up at Wattle Flat on Windabyne Creek on an area of 45 acres.

28-08-1924 BT The death occurred at Gulgong last week of Mr. Thomas. Joseph Tobin, a resident of Home Rule, near Mudgee. The late Mr. Tobin was born at the Limekilns, near Bathurst, and was a member of the very well known Tobin family, of Wattle Flat and the Limekilns. He is survived by a widow and family.

10-09-1924 BT Mr. Jack Tobin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Tobin, prominent residents of Limekilns, has won the distinction of obtaining an Aeronautical Brenit in America. A cable from Chicago announces the young Bathurst district man's success. Mr. Tobin has many Bathurst and district friends, who will be pleased to hear of his achievement.

18-10-1924 NA WILL USE A PLANE TO TEND SHEEP

The following extract from the Chicago 'Dally News' concerning Mr. John J Tobin son of Mr. & Mrs D. Tobin of Limekilns, will prove interesting: I soloed (flew alone) in an airplane six times,' said genial John J. Tobin; who hails from Bathurst, New South Wales, Australia and he talked with W. W. Meyer his Instructor at the E.B. Heath airplane field Chicago. 'You see an advertisement in a magazine came to my attention at my home last year. I wanted to learn to fly and perhaps thereby take better care of our sheep. I corresponded with Mr. Heath, liked his replies, and came to Chicago last February. This summer of work has taught me how to control the airplane alone in the air, so now I am a pilot. 'Mr. Tobin is 27 years of age, the oldest of 6 children, and the only boy. 'In November I shall go to Europe and study the progress of aviation there for a few months, then return to the United States, he said. 'After a brief stay here, I shall go to the Pacific Coast, pack my airplane and return to Australia, there to fly. I wish I could fly across the ocean, but those landing fields, are too wet. Some of the sheep farms are fifty miles on each side, that means less than an hour in an airplane to go across.' Mr. Tobin explained. 'Our farm is not so large but the airplane will save plenty of time and effort to pay for itself, The little fine type of an advertisement brought me to the United States, and I am very glad I came. It is most pleasant to fly, just for the fun of it; but it is especially useful in reducing the time it takes to get from point to point in Australia.'

13-02-1925 LM DEATH The death occurred yesterday of one of Bathurst 's most stalwart Labor supporters, in the person of William Melton, in his 62nd year. Born at Limekilns, he lived in the Bathurst district practically all his life, and was employed at the Bathurst gasworks for a great many years, and was always a staunch unionist. For several terms he was president of the local gas workers union. Deceased was one of the founders of the Labor movement here. He was a personal friend of the late Senator Mc Bougall, and was one of the signatories to his first nomination paper. He is survived by three daughters and one son.

04-06-1925 NA DEATH The death has occurred of Mrs. Thomas Tobin a well-known resident of Limekilns at the age of 49 years. Though the deceased has been ailing for some time her death was quite unexpected. She was engaged in her usual domestic duties when she was suddenly stricken and died within an hour. The deceased was widely known in the district and her death will be generally regretted. She is survived by a husband and a grown up family.

06-07-1925 BT 'Tabberatong,' the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Tobin, of the Limekilns, was the scene of a pleasant social function last Friday night, when about 100 friends of the family met and welcomed home Mr. Jack Tobin, who has returned after 18 months in America, where he gained a diploma after taking a course of airship construction and flying. Dancing and other forms of amusement were indulged in till the early hours of the morning, and the guest of the gathering was the recipient of several presents.

11-07-1925 BT Mr. and Mrs. D. Tobin, of 'Tabberatong, ' Limekilns, entertained a large number of friends last Friday night to welcome their son Jack, who has just returned from the U.S.A. and England. A jazz orchestra supplied the music, and extras were played by Misses K. Morris, and E. Bailey, Messrs. N. Lewis and A. Pratley. The ball room was beautifully decorated with multi coloured streamers, while the supper room was done in shaded tones of orange, forming a smart background for the charming frocks worn by the guests. The hostess, Mrs. Tobin, received her guests in a smart frock of sunset marocain, and silk lace; Mrs. Joe Tobin wore a handsomely embossed black marocain; Mrs. F. Pratley, navy marocain; Misses Jessie and Mary Byers, putty georgette, with brown finishing's, and pink silk not, respectively; Miss Annie Tobin, black velvet with Eastern scarf; Miss Lou Tobin, pink taffeta finished with black pansies; Mrs. A. Schofield wore a dainty frock of 'white georgette; Miss Enid Kefford, salmon georgette; Misses Shute, turquoise blue and apricot marocain; Miss Adams, blue taffeta and gold lace; Miss Myrtle Absalom, black velvet and fur; Misses Jean and Lexie Richards (of Ashfield), wore frocks of rose marocain and mauve satin and silver lace; Miss Eileen Bailey, black and white georgette; Miss Leavings, lemon taffeta; Miss Edie Ferguson, rose silk; Mrs. Ferguson, cream with touches of black; Miss Mary Tobin (daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Tobin) made her debut in a sweet frock of white satin, with pink feather trimmings, and received a dainty posy and brooch from the hostess; Miss Stella Tobin wore a dainty blue frock; Miss May Lewis, pink and blue net; Miss Alma Tobin, orange georgette and gold lace; Miss Win Tobin looked sweet in pink georgette beaded in crystal; Miss Nellie Tobin sapphire blue satin marocain, with gold roses; Mrs. J. Byers, black georgette, Miss. McKinnon (Lithgow) black velvet; Miss. K. Morris, black georgette; Mrs. Bert Schofield, grey marocain; Miss J. Russell, white georgette; Miss J. Tobin, navy georgette beaded with red; Miss S. McCudden, fawn georgette. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Sodon, Mr. T. Binning, Messrs. A. and A. Richards

(Ashfield), Mr. and Mrs. Lewis (Yetholme), Messrs. F. Wells, (Sydney), J. Batherham (Portland), B. Tobin, B. Shute, C. Glazebrook, J. Scott, Andy Tobin, A. Pratley, E. Tobin, Mr. and Mrs. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. A. Armour, Messrs. P. and C. Dempsey, J. Tobin, E. and A. Tobin, J. and N. Byers, M. and J. Russell, A. Wood, E. Churches, E. Finch, R. Ferguson, S. McKinnon, J. Jagoe, J. Gorman, Davis, G. B. McKinnon, R. Byers, F. Gorman, A. Schofield, R. Gorman, Bert Schofield. During the evening Mr. Tobin was presented with some most useful presents by his friends.



“TABBERATONG” c 1925.ALMA, MID, PAT (in car) JACK, MARY TOBINS

11-09-1925      NA      Miss Mary (Mid) Tobin, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Tobin. 'Tabberatong,' Limekilns, has announced her engagement to Mr. Archibald G. Wood, son of Mrs. and the late W. H. Wood, 'Brooklyn,' Hawkesbury River. Mr. Wood is a journalist attached to the 'Evening Post,' Goulburn, an old, and, one of the most influential provincial journals in N.S.W.

24-10-1925      BT      TO STAND THE SEASON AT ALICE DALE, LIMEKILNS.  
THE BLOOD STALLION. ORACLE Prize winner at the last Bathurst Show. SIRE Orator, by Kingsley (imp) from Queenie, by The Lecturer, by Kingston (imp.) . DAM Song Bird, by Sir Tristran (imp) from Sweet Song by Splendour . ORACLE is an iron grey horse, 5yrs. old. He has never been trained so far, is a beautiful hack and is bred on great lines for getting good hacks and light harness horses from common mares, and should get splendid polo ponies from pony mares, as Orator was one of the best sires of hackney horses in New South Wales, and has also sired a large number of winners on the turf. Song Bird was a splendid hack and a very good mare over a distance. Terms: £3 3s per mare, any mares proving empty this year will be taken free next year. Season starts 15th September and ends 24th. December, when all mares must be removed and paid for on removal. Any mares not removed by 31st December will be charged 2s per week for agistment. The very best of limestone paddocks. Every care taken but no responsibility. The horse has proved a sure foal getter. For particulars apply—FRANCIS TOBIN Alice Dale, Limekilns.

31-10-1925      BT      To Stand the Season at Dulcis Vale, PIOUS DERBY, Sire Mambrino Derby, Grand Sire, Owyhee (imp.) Dam, Pigeon, by Immortal, Sire, Mambrino Abdalla (imp.) Pious Derby has beauty of form and outline combined with his strong individuality and clean blood. For further particulars and booklet write, T. CRISTIAN, Dulcis Vale, Limekilns, or W. REA, 61 Morrissett Street, Bathurst TERMS: £4/4/ Good Paddocks, separate paddock for mares with or in foal. All care taken no responsibility.



FOOTBRIDGE OVER CHESHIRE CREEK AT GLENROY



"TABBERATONG" C1927 (afternoon of music)  
MID, ALMA, EMMIT(cousin) JACK. NELLIE. LOU. PAT.

26-12-1925 NA FUNERAL The Relatives and Friends of Mrs. NANCY HANNAH BRODIE and FAMILY, of Smithfield, Mr. and Mrs JOHN KIRBY and FAMILY, of Waverley, and of Mr. THOMAS BYERS and FAMILY, and Mr. and Mrs. JOHN BYERS and FAMILY, of Limekilns, via Peel, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly loved SISTER and AUNT, Belle; to leave 16 Henry-street, Waverley, THIS (Saturday) MORNING, at 10.15, for Wakerley Cemetery.

18-05-1927 NA TRIP TO CANBERRA Limekilns Residents on Tour

A most enjoyable trip was taken by Mr. Denis Tobin, of Tabberatong, Limekilns, and his daughters. Mid, Alma and Lou. to see the historical event, the opening of Federal Parliament at Canberra. The party departed in their 509 Fiat, early on Sunday morning, arriving in view of Lake George about 5 p.m., where they pitched camp, and boiled up. This was an exciting event for the Misses Tobin, as it was their first taste of real camp life. Being amongst the first arrivals at Canberra, Mr. Tobin says they were lucky in obtaining a position in the west stand, from where they had an unobstructed view of the whole programme. amid much excitement as could not possibly be imagined. The procession and the aeroplane escort were a thrill to all. After a memorable day, the party left on the return trip making a tour of Lake George, which proved not the least interesting incident of their trip, the scenery surpassing by far what had been expected. It revealed mile after mile of lake, along which any motorist must delight to motor, 50 miles and over proving no effort to the 509 in the capable hands of Miss Alma, who successfully controlled it throughout the whole trip, not at all times striking such easy running, as cars were no novelty at Canberra and ruts proved the same on many parts of the road thereto, and through Goulburn, Crookwell, and onto Abercrombie Caves, the inspection of which added greatly to the pleasure of the trip. On arriving home, the party found they had nothing to tell of the great day, not already known, having been heard by Mrs. Tobin and guests on their Radiola Super radio at their home.

06-08-1927 NA APPOINTMENT OF LORRY DRIVER The Turon Shire Council yesterday considered 24 applications for the position of motor lorry driver, and after protracted deliberation, appointed H. E. Churches, of Limekilns. Before the final selection was made, the applications were reduced to two, the runner-up being G. F. Jenkins, of Bathurst. The successful applicant is a returned soldier, 32 years of age and unmarried. The salary is £5/2 per week, plus camping allowance.

29-09-1927 SMH DEATH The death occurred on Monday of Mr. William Claude Rankin Sinclair, one of the earliest graziers of the Bathurst district, at the age of 72. He was born at Eglinton, and had resided in the district all his life. When a young man he engaged in gold-mining, but later followed grazing pursuits at Winburn, in the Limekilns.

04-10-1927 NA WEDDING Richards - Tobin

A wedding of considerable interest was celebrated at All Saints' Cathedral last evening, when Ellen, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Tobin of "Tabberatong," Limekilns, was married to Reginald Charles, second son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Richards, of Ashfield. Revd. Canon Wilton officiated and the Cathedral was artistically decorated for the occasion by friends of the bride. Mr. A. C. Lenton, presided at the organ and All Saints' choir rendered appropriate hymns. The bride, who was given away by her father, was charmingly attired in a gown of white mariette, filled with silver brocade and tulle coat. She also carried a shower bouquet, the gift of the bridegroom. Miss Mid Tobin (sister of the bride), was chief bridesmaid and was assisted by Misses Alma, Lou and Annie Tobin, (sisters of the bride) and Misses Jean, and Lexie Richards (sisters of the bridegroom). The bridesmaids were daintily attired in gowns of shot tafetta, representing the three tones of sunset. Each carried posies of tricklets, of gold made by Miss Jones of Bathurst. Mr. Alf Richards (brother of the bridegroom), acted as best man. The bridegroom's present to the bride was a gold wristlet watch and the bride's gift to the bridegroom a gold mounted smoking outfit. The bride and bridegroom received a large collection of valuable presents, including several cheques. The wedding breakfast was held at the Red Rose where over 100 guests were received by the mother of the bride, who was attired in a gown of black mariette with gold finishings. She also carried a posie of wall flowers. The Red Rose dining room was tastefully decorated with flowers and drapings and presented an artistic sight. Canon Wilton also presided at the breakfast and the following toasts were honored: The King, the bride and bridegroom, (proposed by Canon Wilton and responded to by the bridegroom, the

bridesmaids, proposed by the bridegroom and responded to by the best man and Misa Mid Tobin, the parents of the bride and bridegroom, proposed by Mr. E. C. Murray and responded to by Mr. Denis Tobin (father of the bride). After the breakfast the guests adjourned to the Red Rose ball-room where dancing was indulged in to the strains of Paton's orchestra. Mr. and Mrs. Richards later left for Mount Kosciusko, where the honeymoon will be spent. The bride's travelling dress was a brick shade rep featuring a smart coat laid in blue with hat to tone.



Tobin sisters were bridesmaids. Allan Chisholme 3<sup>rd</sup> from left. Dennis Tobin between Reg & Nellie.  
Jack Tobin 3<sup>rd</sup> from right

10-04-1928      NA      WEDDING      WOOD— TOBIN

A remarkably pretty wedding was celebrated at SS. Michael and John's Cathedral last evening, when Mary Ellen, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs Dennis Tobin, of "Tabberatong," Limekilns, was married to Mr. A. G. V. Wood, of Maitland, and late of Goulburn. The bridegroom is the northern representative of the "Daily Telegraph Pictorial." The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Father Devlin, assisted by the Rev. Father Dunne, Adm. The Cathedral was artistically decorated by friends of the bride, the setting being quaint and beautiful. The bride, who was led to the altar by her father, was handsomely gowned in ivory mariette, adorned with crystal beads, the gift of the bride- groom. The bridesmaids were Misses Alma and Lou Tobin (sisters of the bride), Anne (cousin of the bride), and Sylvia Wood (sister of the bridegroom), who were beautifully attired in old world pink georgette and nefretiti bonnets, finished with pink, and blue ribbon drapes. Mr. J. J. Tobin, brother of the bride, was best man; and the bridegroom was also attended by Messrs. W. H. Wood (brother), D. Tobin (brother of the bride), and A. Chisholm. The bride carried a bouquet of sheaf roses, and the bridesmaids showers of pink cactus dahlias. To the bridegroom the bride presented a set of diamond dress studs and a gold cigarette case; while the bride groom's gift to the bride was a set of crystal beads. The bridegroom's gifts to the bridesmaids were a gold wristlet watch to Misa Alma Tobin, ear rings to Miss Lou Tobin, and armlets to Miss Sylvia Wood and Miss Anne Tobin. The bride and bridegroom received numerous costly presents.

The reception was held at the Red Rose, where the bride's mother received about 100 guests in a handsome morocain costume. The bridegroom's mother wore black mariette and carried a posy of carnations. Mr. Frank Pratley presided and the usual toasts were honored.

Mr. and Mrs. Wood left later by car for an extended honeymoon tour, including the Northern Rivers, Sydney, Brisbane, and Melbourne. The bride travelled in a grey tailored costume with henna hat and shoes to match.

26-04-1928      MG      Wedding      A pretty wedding was celebrated. at All Saints' Cathedral, Bathurst, on Saturday afternoon, by the Rev. Leicester Johnson, of O'Connell, when Miss Melba. Churches, second eldest daughter of Mr. H. W. Churches, and the late Mrs Churches, of the Limekilns, was married to Mr Fred. Uren, of Sydney, youngest son of the late Mr, and Mrs Uren, of Hill End. The bride, who entered the church on the arm of her father (who gave her away), wore a handsome frock of white marietta, heavily: beaded in crystal. She wore a beautiful lace veil kindly lent by her cousin, Mrs Toovy, of Mudgee, which was held in place with a coronet of diamants.

15-11-1928      NA      PROBATE      In the Estate of Henry Melton late of Limekilns in the State of New South Wales, Farmer and Grazier deceased intestate. Applications will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that administration of the Estate of the above-named deceased may be granted to Catherine Cowlen the daughter



of the said deceased, and all notices may be served at the under mentioned address. Mrs, C. Cowlen, 22 Mary Ann St., Ultimo

29-12-1928      NA      WEDDING      St. Stephen's Presbyterian Church Bathurst, was the scene of a very pretty wedding on December, 22nd, when Rev. Campbell Grieve united in holy wedlock Duncan Leslie, the fourth son of the late Duncan and Mrs McKinnon, of Palmers' Oakey, and Marcella (Ella) only daughter of Mrs C. Ingram of Stewart Street Bathurst, and late of Limekilns. The bride, who was given away by Mr. James Turner, of Drumoyne, was attired in a handsome bridal gown of white georgette and silver lace, the court train of lace being lined with shell pink georgette, and caught with orange blossoms. She wore a coronet of Orange blossoms with her cut tulle veil, and carried a delightful shower bouquet of carnations and blue delphinians. Miss Valerie Turner, of Sydney, made a dainty bridesmaid, in her frock of shell pink georgette with hat to match, and carried a beautiful bouquet of Malmaison carnations. Miss Hazel Turner, wearing pink georgette, and carrying a golden basket of flowers, was train bearer. Mr. Stanley McKinnon was best man. The bridegroom's gift to the bride was a beautiful hand bag, and to the bridesmaid and trainbearer a gold armet, and the brides gift to the bridegroom was a set of xylonite brushes. After the ceremony the guests were received by Mrs Ingram at Heath's Cafe where a reception was held. The honeymoon is being spent at Katoomba and Sydney, the bride travelling in a smart frock of Madonna blue crene de chine, inlet with shadow lace, with hat to tone. Many beautiful and costly gifts were received by the happy couple.

16-01-1929      NA      FUNERAL      BYER: The relatives and friends of the late Mr John Byer of Kelso, and late of Limekilns, are respectively invited to attend the funeral which will leave Kelso at 4.30 p.m. this afternoon for the Presbyterian Cemetery Bathurst.— CAM REED, Undertaker. 180 Piper Street Phone 360.

11-07-1929      NA      FUNERAL      The funeral of the late Mr. John Thomas Thurling, which moved from his late residence, Kelso, yesterday afternoon was the largest seen in the district for many years. The procession of cars extended from deceased's residence to the Holy Trinity Church. The cemetery, too, was. thronged with mourners. The hearse was preceded by 75 members of the Loyal Kincora Lodge, of which the deceased was the oldest member. Those present included Past Grand Master Bro. W. Hill (representing Tarana), Past Grand Bro. J. Brown, of Blayney and many other Past Grands of deceased's own Lodge, also immediate Past District Grand Master Bro. D. Moran, of the Bathurst District, Immediate Past District Grand Master Bro. George Moran, of the Old Bathurst District and now of the Swatchfield Lodge, Immediate Past District Grand Master Bro. Dudley McCauley and Deputy District Grand Master Bro. Cam Reed, of the Bathurst District.

The chief mourners were the widow and daughters Alice and Ida (Sydney) , Belle (Kelso); sons Albert (Werris Creek), Jack (Kelso), Percy (Sydney), Mrs. Doris Thurling (daughter-inlaw) and sons (Bathurst, Mr. and Mrs. C. Lloyd (Perthville) , Mr. and Mrs. Dagger (Auburn), Mr. and Mrs. M. Baker (Dubbo) , all brothers-in- law and sisters, Messrs Alf Thurling (Leichhardt), and Edward Thurling (Strathfield) brothers, Mrs. Schofield (Lithgow) Mrs. W. Harris (Wongarbon) sisters-in-law, Mr. H. Churches (Limekilns) brother-in-law. The coffin bearers were deceased's six nephews Messrs. B. H. and W. Schofield, R. and W. Lloyd and E. Churches, while the pall bearers were Messrs. C. N. and A Lloyd (nephews), Bros. D. and G. Moran, Bro. J. Stewart, Bro. J. Brown, W. Boardman, all members of the Manchester Unity of which deceased was a member. The Rev. Archdeacon Oakes conducted a most impressive service in the church and at the graveside. The church was filled to its utmost capacity, many being unable to gain admittance. The Lodge service was read at the graveside by Immediate Past District Grand Master Bro. Dudley McCauley, in the absence of the District Grand Master (Bro. Jack Burke) who was unable to attend. Many beautiful floral tributes were received, including wreaths from the following: Loving wife and family: Mr. and Mrs. Kirkman; Mr. and Mrs. W. Graham and family; Mr. and Mrs .R. Saunders and family; Mr. and Mrs. George Collins and family: Mr. and Mrs. J. O'Neil; Hamir and all at " Box Hill II Carcoar,S.McCudden; Rod and Grace, Norm and Verce; Mr. and Mrs. Boyd and family; Ettie, Ada and Bert; Mr. and Mrs. Claude Sinclair; Mr. and Mrs. A C. Kent; The Railway Staff, Kelso; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gorman; Freda and Cear; Sarah, Charlie and family; Officers and Members of Loyal Kincora Lodge M.U.1.0.0.F.; Henry Smith; Mr. and Mrs. F. Carter, 11 Fair View 11; Mr. and Mrs. W. Shute and family; Mr. and Mrs. R. Nancarrow and family; Bert, Lil and family; Mr. and Mrs. H. Churches and Mr. and Mrs. F. Hill; Mr. and Mrs. S. Marsden; Messrs. Ingersole Bros.; Mrs. Evans and family; Sis. and Steve, Art and Elly; Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Thurling and family and Miss Pascoe; Mr. and Mrs. Kirk; Mr. and Mrs. N. Saunders; Mrs. Edwlp Cutler; Doris and family; Mrs., Sinclair and Jessie; Elizabeth, Emily, Jessie, Annie, Lillie and Alf; The Schofield family; Albert and Edgar Bedding and family, also Ada Dawson.

HONEY MARKETING BOARD OF N.S.W.	
Prices declared 10th Sept., 1930	
Choice	5d.
Good	4½d.
Medium	3½d.



09-01-1930 NA EVENING WEDDING FELTON—TOBIN At All Saints' Church, Parramatta, which was beautifully decorated with white agapanthus, shasta daisies and asparagus fern, and tall white blooms and lovers' knots at the guests pews, in the presence of a large gathering of relatives and friends, the pretty evening wedding of Mary Clare, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tobin, of Limekilns, near Bathurst and Mr. Eric William Felton, only son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Felton, of "Inverleigh" Early Street, Parramatta

13-12-1930 NA AMBULANCE CASE Mr. James Christian, of Limekilns, was yesterday conveyed by the Bathurst Ambulance to the District Hospital for medical attention.

05-01-1931 SMH DEATH ARMOUR -January 3 1931 at Bathurst District Hospital Samuel dearly loved husband of Teresa Armour of Limekilns near Bathurst aged 67 years

08-01-1931 SMH SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES -Probate Jurisdiction -In the Will of SAMUEL ARMOUR late of Limekilns near Bathurst in the State of New South Wales, Builder, deceased -Application may be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ALTRFD GREEN and JAMES BAYNES ARMOUR the Executors named. In the said Will and all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned All creditors In the Estate of the deceased are here by required to send In particulars of their claims to the undersigned within the said fourteen days A H GRACE Solicitor for Executors 114 Walker street North Sidney whose Agents are CLAYTON UTZ and Co, 280 Castlereagh st

12-01-1931 SMH Mrs. SAMUEL ARMOUR, of Limekilns, near Bathurst, desires to return THANKS to relatives and friends for their expressions of personal sympathy, letters, cards, and floral tributes, in her recent sad bereavement, In the loss of her dear husband.

20-03-1931 NA RECORD PRICE FOR WOOL CLIP Mr. Denis Tobin, of Tabberatong, Limekilns, topped the market at the wool sales held in the early part of this month when the wool from 300 Wethers of his own breeding brought 191d. per pound, which averaged 15/2 per head for the wool. This is a wonderful return considering the market has further hardened to the extent of 15 per cent, and shows the Bathurst district suitable for wool growing as well as good judgment on Mr. Tobin's selection of his breeding ewes with the Merriman rams.

13-06-1931 NA The engagement is announced of Millie, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Whiteman, of Kelso to Jack, only son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Tobin, of 'Tabberatong,' Limekilns

03-08-1931 NA WEDDING TOBIN—McKINNEY A quiet, but pretty wedding took place at All Saints' Cathedral Bathurst on Saturday evening last when Patricia Olive, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McKinney of Wattle Flat, was united in the holy bonds of matrimony with Joseph Byrne, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tobin of Limekilns. The Rev. Canon Holmes, officiated. The bride, who was given away by her brother, Mr. Austin McKinney wore a becoming gown of navy crepe satin relieved with white, with hat and shoes to tone. She carried a posy of sweet peas, and was attended by Miss Stella Tobin, sister of the bridegroom, wearing a gown of black silk marocain with hat and shoes in keeping; she also carried a posy of sweet peas. Mr. Athol Tobin, brother of the bridegroom acted as best man.

23-11-1931 NA DEATH The death occurred at the residence of her daughter, Mrs Armour, of Limekilns, yesterday of Mrs Mary Mellar, a well known resident of Millar-street. North Sydney. Deceased had been ailing for only a short time, having arrived in Bathurst about two weeks ago to spend a vacation with her daughter

31-03-1932 SMH IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES. Probate Jurisdiction -In the Will of SAMUEL ARMOUR late of Limekilns near Bathurst In the State of New South Wales, Builder deceased. - Notice Is hereby given that the First Accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed In my office Supreme Court House Elizabeth-street Sydney and all persons having any claims on the said Estate or being otherwise Interested therein are hereby required to come In before me at my said office on or before the 5th day of May next at ten thirty 0 clock In the forenoon and Inspect the same and If they shall think fit object thereto otherwise If the said accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. Dated this 30th day of March 1932 CHAS. E. BUTCHART. L S I Deputy Registrar AH GRACE Solicitor for Executors 114 Walker street Nt., Sydney\_

05-05-1933 LM DEATH The death occurred yesterday of, Mrs. Ivy Caroline Churches , (44), wife of Mr. H. W. Churches; of Limekilns, near Bathurst. Buried Peel. Mr. Charles Redding, of Lithgow, is a brother.

18-05-1933 N A. OUR MEMORIAL A FURTHER APPEAL The Bathurst Carillon of the singing tower comprises 35 bells. The committee allocated one for the main Memorial bell, one for the returned soldiers in honor of their fallen comrades, one in honor of the misses of the Red Cross Society and 32 others to the various sub-districts surrounding the city. Upon each of these 32 belles the name of a village or hamlet is cast. The committee appealed to and expected each village or place to sponsor its bell and contribute in some measure to the cost of the memorial. Throughout the past seven years many of the sub districts have honored the trust deposited in them by the committee. Some districts so far have not responded. The committee again appeals to those who have not yet contributed to do so, and for those who have, to co-operate with the others to raise the amount required to complete the memorial by Armistice Day. *Limekilns has its name cast into one of the bells.CF*

10-11-1933 SMH IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SAMUEL ARMOUR. Late of Limekilns near Bathurst in the State of New South Wales, Builder, deceased, Pursuant to Section 60 of the Trustee Act, 1925, Notice is hereby given that every creditor or other person having any debt or claim upon or affecting the property or any part thereof In the Estate of the above named deceased is hereby required to send In particulars In writing of such debt or claim to the PUBLIC TRUSTEE, the Trustee of the Will of the said SAMUEL ARMOUR on or before the thirteenth day of January, 1934 at the expiration of which time the said Public Trustee will proceed to convey and distribute the property and assets of the said deceased to or among the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the debts or

claims of which he then has notice And Notice Is hereby further given that the said Public Trustee will not be liable for the property or assets or any part thereof, so conveyed or distributed, to any person of whose debt or claim he shall not have had notice at the time of such conveyance or distribution The said Samuel Armour died on or about the third day of January, 1931 and Probate of his Will and Codicil thereto was granted on the nineteenth day of March, 1931 to ALFRED GREEN and JAMES BAYNES ARMOUR the Executors named in the said Will. The Public Trustee was appointed sole Trustee of the said Will on the eighteenth day of May 1933. W. KESSELL Public Trustee, St James Buildings, 109 Elizabeth-street Sydney.

11-11-1933 NA DEATH The death occurred at her late residence, Kensington on Wednesday night after a long illness of Miss Ellen O'Rourke. The deceased was born in Sydney 70 years ago, but had practically lived in the Limekilns, Wattle Flat and Bathurst districts all her life, where she was well and favorably known. She is survived by two sisters, Mrs. McCudden (Kensington), Mrs. R. Bell (Kelso), and two brothers John (Cootamundra), Albert (Kelso). The funeral took place to the Catholic portion of Rookwood cemetery yesterday.

08-12-1933 NA NEIGHBORS' SHEEP INVOLVED Alleged to have stolen his neighbor's sheep, Herbert Atcheson., a well known grazier of Limekilns faced six charges before Mr. W S. Bromhead S.M. at the Bathurst Police Court yesterday. After lengthy evidence, had been given, Atcheson was discharged. The charges levelled against him were that between December 1, 1932 and November 14, 1933, at Limekilns Road near Bathurst' he stole one sheep valued at £1 the property of Francis Thomas James Tobin, and also that he fraudulently ear-marked one sheep the property of the same man; that between April 1 and November 15, 1933 stole one sheep valued at £f, the property of John Sinnott Schumack and also that he fraudulently ear-marked one sheep the property of the same owner; that between December 1, 1932 and November 15, 1933, he stole one sheep valued at £1 the property of Harold Guihot, and also that he, fraudulently ear marked one sheep the property of the same owner. Inspector Ireland prosecuted and Mr. R. H. Browning defended Atcheson. The first four Charges were taken together. Sgt. Brindle gave evidence that on November 13 last In company with Constable Stapleton he went to 'Clear Creek' property situated on the Limekilns Road about 19 miles from Bathurst and the following morning in company with defendant, Claude Sinclair, Jack Schumack, Frank Tobin and Harol Guihot and a muster was made on Atcheson's property and also on portions of Sinclair's and Tobin's properties. On Tobin's, 22 woolly sheep were mustered; 4 were picked up on Sinclair's and 201 on Atcheson's place. The sheep were placed In a yard and the stragglers hand-picked.

They found 18 woolly sheep which belonged to Guihot, 10 belonging to Schumack and 3 bearing the brand of Drysdale Scott. Atcheson caught a woolly wether with a bell on it and put it over the fence in to another yard. At witness's request, Atcheson examined the earmark on the sheep and said it was his. He was certain it was his sheep as it had his ear-mark on the unregistered ear. Tobin who was standing nearby was invited to have a look at the earmark on the sheep and he said, 'It is my registered mark and a private mark on the registered ear, Tobin also pointed out a private mark on the tail of the sheep. Atcheson then said, 'It is not my sheep, Frank. It is your's and you'd better take It.' He told witness that he must have ear marked the sheep by, mistake. Witness said I marked the sheep with an indelible pencil and now produced it to the Court. On November 16, the Sergeant said, he went to another property owned by Atcheson, who said he had about 215 sheep running there. A muster was made and while it was in progress Tobin drove up in his car. The sheep were placed in two small yards near the house and an examination. Was made. Witness asked Atcheson whose mark was on a wether he had caught and defendant replied, 'That is one of the sheep I got from Ossie Webb.' Atcheson then had a conversation with Frank Tobin which witness did not hear. He came back and said. 'That is not my sheep. It belongs to Jack Schumack.' Asked how he came to shear the sheep, defendant said it must have been shorn in mistake. As he was leaving, witness informed Atcheson that he would report full particulars of the case and defendant replied, 'Make it as light as you can and in my favor, as a man's name will look well in the newspapers.'

Cross-examined Mr. Browning, the Sergeant said the country at 'Clear Creek' was very rough and he would not say the fences were sheep proof, it was possible for sheep to stray from one man's property to another in the course of a year. None of the sheep claimed by Schumack and Guihot were marked on the unregistered ear. There were nine sheep with bells on in the mob at Clear Creek. Witness said that the sheep claimed to be Schumack's was shorn and bore Atcheson's tar brand. It was true Atcheson had told him he was not present at the shearing, which was done at Dennis Tobin's. Sgt. Brindle, in reply to further questions, denied that Atcheson's ear mark 'was similar to those of Tobin or Schumack.

Francis Thomas James Tobin, grazier, of Limekilns described his registered ear-marks and said the marks were found on the sheep concerned. In the charge Atcheson's ear-mark was on the unregistered ear and there was a bell and strap around the animal's neck which witness did not own. Witness valued the sheep at £1 and claimed he could identify it blind folded.

John Sinnott Schumack, grazier of Dark Comer, gave a description of the marks on the sheep which he claimed as his property. He valued the sheep at £1. in the wool. To Mr. Browning, Schumack said his property was about six miles from Atcheson's. -

Defendant, giving evidence in his own defence said he was 52 years of age and had his present holding for about 16 years. He had lived in the district practically all his life. He had bought 260 sheep from Mr. O. S. Webb in September 1932 and about January last he had marked them with his registered ear-mark, being assisted by George Clapham. The marking was done in an open yard and it was raining heavily at the time. He had never put his earmark on other sheep on any other occasion under such circumstances'.

When the sergeant drew his attention to the bell wether at the muster, he said he had said it was his, believing it to be one of the sheep he had bought. Sinclair was the first to refer to the sheep. He said 'It is not my mark and I know whose

it is,' Referring to the other sheep claimed by Schumack, Atcheson said he did not know Schumack's marks and he thought the sheep, was his own. Defendant, added that he was not present at the shearing and did not know who tar-branded the sheep. Cross-examined by inspector Ireland, Atcheson said he had been a grazier only about five years and had not had much experience with sheep. He did not examine closely the sheep which were subject of the charge. He supposed he would have found out eventually that the sheep were not his. He had 443 sheep and denied he had represented to a firm that he had 600 sheep. Evidence was given by George Clapham, a grazier of Peel, that he assisted Atcheson to mark the sheep and it was possible for them to have marked two or three sheep by error. He had known Atcheson all his life and he bore an excellent character. John Boyd stated that he had known Atcheson about 30 years and thought his character most excellent. He had always found him a perfectly honest man.

In the case of Schumack's sheep' I am quite satisfied that no felonious intent has been proved,' commented the S.M. 'In the other case while there is some evidence of it there is a doubt in my mind and I give the defendant the benefit of .the doubt. Atcheson was then discharged. The remaining two charges were then withdrawn by the police and Atcheson was then, charged with having in his possession a Sheep reasonably suspected of being stolen. An adjournment until January 4 was granted.

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16-01-1934 NA GRAZIER IN COURT A Sheep Case Fails. No Evidence for Defence Called. Neighbors Flocks Get Mixed. Without entering the box Herbert Atcheson a well known grazier of "Gordon Vale", Limekilns Road, who had pleaded not guilty to having in his possession a sheep reasonably suspected of being stolen, was discharged at the Bathurst Police Court yesterday

The police case, Mr. R. H. Browning, defendant's solicitor .argued did not sustain the charge, and the Magistrate agreed. In dismissing the case, Mr. Bromhead said, 'taking all the factors into consideration I don't think the sheep can be regarded as reasonably suspected of being stolen. Sgt. Brindle stated that about 8 a.m. on December 15, in company with Constable Stapleton he went to defendant's property, where he asked defendant how many sheep he had running on his property. He replied, 'about 215.' Asked what they were, he said, 'ewes, wethers and lambs.' Witness said, 'I want to muster them,' defendant replying 'Alright, I will get my pony and give you a hand.' The sheep were mustered into two small pens to examine. Witness caught a wether (produced) and asked defendant to examine the earmarks on it. After examining it defendant said, 'that is a wether I bought from Os. Webb and it has my registered earmark on the unregistered ear.' Witness said 'there is a thistle out of the front of the ear and a slit out of the back,' and defendant said, 'It is not my sheep.' Defendant added that a neighbor named Guihot owned it and his (defendant's) earmarks must have been put on it by mistake. Witness said. 'You have also shorn the sheep and placed' your registered tar brand on it,' and defendant answered, 'it must have been shorn and branded by mistake.' When witness said he was going to take the sheep defendant said to leave it in his small paddock and he would give it back to Guihot. Defendant said he had marked the sheep he bought from Webb in December 1932 or early in January, and witness then said 'well you must have shorn this sheep twice.' He replied 'Yes'.

To Mr Browning: Was anything said about 19 sheep to defendant? Yes on the morning of November 14 he saw defendant at Barnes' hut on J. Tobin's property at Clear Creek. He told Atcheson he was looking for 1 woolly sheep missing from Sinclair's paddock. He said. 'No. I know nothing about them. I did not see them.' He repealed the question about these sheep about 20 times in the day during the whole of which he was mustering sheep in company with defendant. About 7 o'clock that night Atcheson admitted having put the 19 sheep in with his others. Witness said why didn't you tell me that this morning. It would have saved all this trouble of mustering. Defendant made no reply.

Are you sure defendant said it was Guihot's sheep? Yes after he came back from talking to a man named Tobin. Did defendant give you every assistance in mustering? - He did at the house.

Has Guihot claimed the sheep as his property?- No.

Did Guihot tell you that defendant had given him notice of mustering in 1933? - I can't say whether he did or not.

Did defendant say he was not present when his sheep were shorn? Yes.

Didn't he say they were shorn at Dennis Tobin shed? - Yes, he did.

Did you see Mr. Tobin to verify that statement?. No.

And Dennis Tobin is a man of high repute?- I have only met him once and I know nothing against him.

Francis Thomas James Tobin of 'Alice Dale' Limekilns, said on November 15 he was at defendant's property when the police were examining defendant's sheep. He saw Sgt. Brindle catch a recently shorn woolly on which was defendants registered tar brand. The Sergeant asked defendant to catch another with similar marks. He was unable, to find another similarly branded. On the unregistered ear of the sheep (produced) were defendant's mark and on the registered ear there were marks which he believed were those of Guihot. While the Sergeant was holding the sheep witness had a talk to defendant, whom he told the sheep wasn't his defendants property, and to admit to the police it was Guihots. Defendant then made the admissions to the sergeant.

To Inspector Ireland: He was present on November 14 when Sergeant Brindle asked defendant several times during the day If he had seen 19 sheep, and late in the afternoon defendant admitted he got 19 off the hill and brought them down over the creek to put with the mob; the 10 sheep were brought from Claude Sinclair's paddock, Atcheson that morning asked him what he was going to say and witness replied, 'I am going to tell the truth.' He also said defendant mentioned about not admitting anything in front of Claude Sinclair.

S.M. When the Sergeant was holding the sheep, who started the conversation between defendant and yourself?

Witness: I did; I told him to admit he did not own the sheep, but Atcheson said he owned it, having bought it from Webb.

To Mr.' Browning: Off the sheep's registered ear a thistle mark was out of the back and a music note out of the front; he was not quite sure whether the music note was out of the front or the back.

Wasn't it the day you assisted defendant muster, that the 19 sheep got mixed?- Yes defendant put them into my paddock and went away. The next day he took the sheep to Dennis Tobin's to be shorn, but the shearers would not shear them as they were wet.

He knew the 19 stragglers were in the mob?-Yes.

Harold Mallow Guihot, a grazier, residing at Sunny Comer, said he still had some sheep to muster for 1933. Defendant's property adjoined that of witness on three sides. He was present when the police mustered and examined defendant's sheep, out of which he got 18 that belonged to him. He examined the sheep (produced, outside) and it compared with the class of sheep he had missed. The marks were similar to his, but one was bigger than that made by his pliers, unless it had grown out of shape. He had 20 years' experience of sheep and he believed the marks grew smaller. He still had country to muster and expected to find the missing sheep. To Inspector Ireland: He got two sheep out of Atcheson's after the 1932 shearing, defendant did not give him the fleeces from them, but his men did; defendant being then away.

Mr. Browning: And he was away for his last shearing.

25-01-1934 LM A pretty wedding of local interest was solemnised at the Portland Methodist Church on Monday, afternoon, when Amy Alice, eldest daughter of Mrs. A. L. Elbourn and the late Mr. Elbourn, of "Lochaber," Capertee, was married to Francis Thomas James, eldest son of Mrs. J. F. Tobin and the late Mr. Tobin, of Limekilns. The officiating minister was the Rev. J. Thompson. The church was artistically decorated with a profusion of flowers. The bride entered the church on the arm of her brother, Mr. J. W. Elbourn. She was arrayed in a bridal gown of ivory marocain, and wore a veil of tulle held in position by a coronet of orange blossoms. Her bouquet-consisted of white roses, dahlias and frangipani. The bridesmaid Miss Flo Elbourn, sister of the bride looked charming in an ankle-length frock of daffodil yellow, crinkle marocain she carried a bouquet of sunset shades of dahlias and frangipani. The best man was Mr. Dan. Healey, of Wattle Flat; a friend of the bridegroom. The reception was held at Mr. J. Sophios "Empire" Cafe, where the bride's mother, wearing a frock of brown: marocain, with hat and shoes to tone, and carrying a bunch of red gladioli, received the guests. The presents were very numerous. The bridegroom's present to the bride was a set of pearls, whilst a set of gold mounted xylonite brushes was the bride's present to the groom. The bridesmaid was the recipient of a gold wristlet watch. Conspicuous among the bride's gifts was a cut glass crystal salad set, which was presented to her by the Parents and Citizens and children of The Ranch Provisional School, Weethalle, - where she, was teacher-in-charge until the commencement of the present mid summer vacation. For her travelling frock the bride chose, powder-blue silk marocain, trimmed with white, with white hat and shoes to tone. After the reception the happy couple left for a motor tour, which will embrace Sydney, Canberra, Melbourne, and the Riverina. Their future home will be "Alice Dale" Limekilns.

13-02-1934 NA WAGES CASE. Put off from the previous Monday the wages case of Peter Winoff against Francis Thomas James Tobin, grazier of Limekilns was postponed another week when called on at the Bathurst Small Debts Court yesterday afternoon. Winoff's claim is for £7 for work and labor done in the capacity of a cook and a laborer between August 29 and December 8 last year. Legal men concerned in this action are Mr. J. Wilson for the plaintiff, and Mr. Frank Kenny for the defendant.

20-02-1934 NA WAGES CLAIM FAILS Case Against Shire-Councillor. The much adjourned wages claim case in which a middle aged foreigner, Peter Winoff sued Francis Joseph Thomas Tobin, a councillor of Turon Shire, and a well known Limekilns district grazier, was finalised in the Bathurst Small Debts Court yesterday. Winoff claimed £7 which he alleged was the balance due for work performed for defendant in the capacity of a cook and a laborer between August 29 and December 8 last. Winoff said in evidence that he did general work in addition to cooking, his latter duties including the job of providing for seven people during the last shearing season. Defendant denied that he had employed Winoff to do any work and said that at the man's own request he lived at Tobin's place and got his food at defendant's home in order to keep off the dole, pending a job turning up. Two men who were employed by defendant at the time Winoff lived at Tobin's place, gave evidence that bore out defendant's statement that he wasn't employed on any definite date. Thomas Christian, grazier, of "Dulcis Vale" also gave evidence in favour of defendant. Mr. W. S. Bromhead, who adjudicated, dismissed the claim and allowed the defendant £2/2 professional costs and £3 witnesses expenses. Mr. Frank Kenny appeared for Tobin and Mr; Jack Wilson for Winoff.

24-03-1934 NA FENCING CLAM DISPUTE BETWEEN NEIGHBORS

A dispute between Limekiln neighbors concerning the erection of a dividing fence was settled by the Bathurst Land Board yesterday. Joseph Byrne Tobin, a grazier, claimed £18 from Ewen McColl Ferguson, lieu of work which should have been done. After the hearing of evidence was concluded, the Board assessed Ferguson's contribution to the cost of the fence at £16-1-0. Mr. R. H. Browning represented the claimant and Mr. John Boyd, the respondent.

Resuming his evidence, Ewen Ferguson said he saw Byrne Tobin a few months after the wire had been removed from the fence and Tobin said that witness owed him £18. Witness said he maintained that he had given Tobin two miles of wire to cover the cost of his half of the dividing fence. Ferguson said he had had a good deal of fencing experience and considered the value of the fence erected by Tobin exclusive of the value of the wire at 5/ per chain. His half cost of the disputed fence would then be about £13. The wire given to Tobin was good, second hand wire and in his opinion was worth 10/ per cwt. its total value being £13. The dividing fence was a light fence and would not average more than 3ft. 6in. high. Some of the posts were not two feet high. On a cash basis he believed there was a balance in his favor in

connection with the fence. Cross-examined by Mr. Browning, Ferguson said when the 78 chains of fencing in the southern portion of the fence was erected, he contributed £27 as his share. That was at the rate of 11/ per chain, and the fence was erected in 1928 when times were good. He did think that the fencing values had dropped about half in 1932, as wages had fallen considerably. Mr. Browning: Do you think 10/ a day is a fair wage for men at present? — I think it is over a fair wage. 3/ is a fair wage at present. Ferguson said sometimes he made arrangements for fencing with, Joseph Tobin Snr. and sometimes with Byrne Tobin. Witness added he had purchased second hand galvanised wire from the Main Roads Board at 15/ per cwt., but had not bought second hand black wire. Joseph Tobin had ridden 10 miles to inspect the wire and it was his fault if he had not done so thoroughly. Some of the wire had been stacked for about three years, and some not more than six months. Mr. Browning: What do you suggest became of the balance of the wire not used in the fence? Do you suggest Mr. Tobin used it for some other purpose?— I suggest nothing.

Evidence was given by Ewen Ernest Smith, a laborer and fencer, of Palmers Oakey, that fencing costs had fallen about one-third in recent years in accordance with the fall in wages. A good price for the erection of the disputed fence would be 5/ a chain. The wire in the fence would be worth 12/ a cwt.

Recalled by the Board, Joseph Byrne Tobin, the claimant, said he spent £5 on wire for another fence, in connection with, which there was further expenditure for drawing Thompson's wire. The wire he had put in his half of the disputed fence was partly new and partly second hand. He had paid 25/ a cwt. For the new wire.

Re-examined by Mr. Browning, Tobin denied he had agreed to accept two miles of wire from Ferguson in satisfaction of his claim for the erection of the fence. He had never suggested that Ferguson should give him £8 to square the matter up. To Mr. Boyd: He did agree to accept the wire instead of cash.

After hearing addresses, the Chairman (Mr. G. E. O. Butterfield) announced that the Board assessed the amount of contribution to be paid by Ferguson to Tobin at £16/11/ and directed that payment be made within three months. The Board assessed the cost of the fence at 6/ per chain and therefore half the cost was £16/1. Mr. Boyd asked if the Board had taken into consideration the wire provided by Ferguson and the Chairman replied that any claim regarding the wire could be made in another court. Mr. Boyd indicated that an appeal might be lodged. No costs were allowed. The Board ordered the refund to Tobin of £3, being portion of an amount of £5 paid into court.

02-05-1934 SMH Results of Election. BATHURST-Six members of the P. P. Board were elected unopposed there being a ballot only for one of the four divisions. The poll resulted Bathurst division. Norman James Holmes, Clareville, Limekilns, and Samuel Williams. Alloway Bank Bathurst.

09-08-1934 SMH When a detonator prematurely exploded during prospecting operations between Wattle Flat and Limekilns about, 17 miles from Bathurst, yesterday afternoon Walter Saxby 29, a prospector, had his right hand practically blown off and received part of the force of the explosion in his face. He was taken to hospital in Bathurst but died some hours after admission from shock and loss of blood. Saxby, with companions was prospecting for gold. He had placed a charge of gelignite and a detonator in a hole preparatory to blowing away a quantity of earth and was kneeling over the explosive. Suddenly the detonator went off while Saxby still had his hand on it. Several of his fingers were blown off and part of his palm was blown away. Earth and pebbles blew up into his face causing numerous wounds and injuring his eyes. Saxby suffered intense agony. His wounds bled copiously. His companions endeavoured to stop the flow of blood, and summoned the Bathurst ambulance, which made the trip to the injured man and took him to St Vincent's Hospital, Bathurst in 50 minutes. Although doctors tried to revive him, he died at 8 30 pm.

20-09-1934 NA Dance In aid of Bathurst Ambulance at Dennis Tobin's Limekilns, next Saturday night. A wonderful time assured.

09-10-1934 SMH Clan McDonald a Clydesdale stallion on lease to Mr. H. Carter of Lithgow dropped dead. The animal was owned by Mr. H. Atcheson of Limekilns. He was valued at 100 guineas, and was not insured.

25-01-1935 SMH WALTER JOHN WILSON late of Limekiln near Bathurst In the State of New South Wales Apiarist, who died 5th October, 1934, Intestate. And Notice Is hereby further given that every creditor or other person having any debt or claim upon or Interest In or affecting the estate of any of the above mentioned deceased persons, Is required to send In particulars In writing of such debt claim or interest to the PUBLIC TRUSTEE on the thirteenth day of April, 1935, at the expiration of which time the said Public Trustee will proceed to convey and distribute the property and assets of the respective deceased person to or among the respective persons entitled there to having regard only to the debts claims or Interests of which he then has notice, And Notice is hereby further given that the Public Trustee will not be liable for the property or assets in any part, thereof, so conveyed or distributed to any person of whose debt claim or interest he shall not have had notice at the time of such conveyance or distribution. Dated this twenty-third day of January, 1935. W. J. KESSELL Public Trustee, St. James Buildings, 100 Elizabeth-street, Sydney

01-02-1935 NA PERSONAL Mr. Frederick Hill, of Limekilns, admitted to the District Hospital last night for medical attention,

16-02-1935 SMH (Before Mr Justice Nicholas) LATE MR ARMOURS WILL

The Public Trustee was plaintiff in an originating summons by which the Court was asked to determine a number of questions arising out of administration of the trusts of the will of the late Mr Samuel Armour late of Limekilns near Bathurst

The testator who died In January 1931 gave his residual estate consisting of shares mortgages and realty on trust to pay his widow the Income from investment and to permit her to continue during her lifetime in the use and occupation of the property on which he was residing at the time of his death free from rent, rates, taxes insurance and cost of repairs. No provision was made by the testator for payment of the rates taxes etc. on the property in which the widow took a life tenancy and among the questions asked were several having reference to this matter. The Court held (1) that if any

payments for rates taxes Insurance or repairs were paid out of Income during her life she would be entitled to be recouped out of corpus with Interest at 3 percent (2) that if any such payments were made not of the corpus of the life estate she would be entitled to a charge on the residuary estate with interest at 3 percent on the amounts so paid

Mr. R K Manning (instructed by Messrs Whatmore Gee and Co) appeared for the Public Trustee Mr R S Murray-Pilot (Instructed by Messrs Barry Norris and Wildes) for the life tenant and Mr A O Gain and Mr 1 S McKay (instructed by Messrs Whatmore Gee and Co ) for the representative of the class entitled In remainder.

15-04-1935 NA DEATH The death occurred at the Club House Hotel, Bathurst, yesterday afternoon, of Edward Graham, after an illness of two weeks. Born at Dark Corner 69 years ago deceased had lived in the Bathurst district all his life, and was a grazier at Limekilns, for many years, retiring some twelve years ago. Deceased was well-known and highly respected throughout the Bathurst district. He is survived by his sorrowing wife, one brother, Mr Graham, of Wyagdon, two sisters, Mrs. Davidson, of Capertee, and Mrs. Shumack, of Portland. The sympathy of a wide circle of friends will be extended to the sorrowing relatives. The funeral will move from Mr. J. Tangye's funeral parlor, 177 Lambert Street, this day (Monday) at 1.30 p.m., and will proceed to the Church of England portion of the Dark Corner cemetery, arriving there at 3 o'clock, where interment will be made.

17-07-1935 NA Death. The death took place at his residence, Kelso, of Mr. Patrick McEvoy in his 85th. year. He was one of the oldest and most highly respected residents of the district, of which he was a native. For many years he lived at the Limekilns, but during recent years he retired and lived at Kelso. His wife died about eight months ago in her 84th. year. This afternoon his remains will be laid to rest by her side in the Presbyterian cemetery. A family of two sons and three daughters is left to mourn their loss. They are, Mr. William McEvoy, of Forest Reefs, and Mrs. Arthur McEvoy, of Durham. Street, Bathurst; Mesdaanes H. E. Bayliss (Catherine, Concord West), Daniel Minogue (Maude, Belmore), and Arthur Connell (Muriel, of Kogarah).

30-07-1935 NA WAGES CLAIM After a protracted hearing, Mr. W. S. Bromhead S.M. returned a verdict for the defendant in a case in the Bathurst Small Debts Court yesterday in which Percival Prendergast of Limekilns, claimed £30/10/6 from Francis James Tobin, a Limekilns grazier, alleging the money to be due as wages.

Mr. C. S. Faulkner appeared for Prendergast, and Mr. F. Kenny for Tobin. Prendergast said he had been engaged by Tobin to erect fences and a dip fence, in addition to clearing. He had worked with Arthur and Charles Shields and a man named Bennett, but he denied that Arthur Shields had contracted to do the work, employing him. He stated he had approached Tobin for payment and the defendant had told him that he would pay him when he had the cheque for his wool. Tobin, in evidence said Arthur Shields had contracted to do the work, and had employed Prendergast. The defendant said he had paid in full Shields' claim, and added that he was not indebted, to Prendergast. The magistrate finally said that, the defendant had entered to a contract with Arthur Shields, who had been paid in full. He returned a verdict for the defendant.

05-10-1935 NA . Another dance will be conducted at 'Tabralong', Limekilns, home of Mr. Tom Christian, on October 12

.22-11-1935 LM A party of Bathurstians gathering wood near Limekilns discovered a possum in a hollow tree. One man placed his hand in the hollow, and the Opossum grabbed his finger with a holdfast grip. It began, to look as if the finger would be a permanent possession of the possum until someone suggested they should give the tree a few hard knocks. The tree was accordingly banged, and finally the possum released its grip. At least one man has learned how not to catch, a possum.

20-01-1936 SMH Concern is felt by the Turon Shire Council at the Increase of noxious weeds in its territory. The president ( Councillor D. Healey) said that stink wort has reached alarming proportions and clearing properties was an immense task. Land holders might as well walk off their property as clearing the weed would not pay. Rate-payers had declared that the spread of Bathurst burr in the Sofala district threatened the ruin of the district for wool production. Comment was also made on the growth of stinkwort and St. John's wort In the Limekilns district in a complaint to the council from the Bathurst P.P. Board.

06-02-1936 MG SOFALA CRICKET Big Hitting by J. Seaman

A feature of the battle was a brilliant 119 retired by Jack Seaman. Smiting the bowlers hip and thigh, he hit no fewer than six sixes and 14 fours. That's going for you. The other bright efforts were those of F. Smith (54 retired), C. Pearce (37), and M. Smith (37). Sofala closed with 8 wickets for 294. Limekilns could not combat the Sofala attack, and faded out for a mere 34, A. Scofield top-scoring with 13. The bowling of C. Pearce and M. Smith was deadly in the extreme. The Limekilns ladles provided a splendid dinner and dainty afternoon tea, which were greatly appreciated by the Sofala boys.

12-02-1936 LM Miss Murray, of Oberon, has been appointed to take charge of the school at Hollybrook Limekilns-road, in the Bathurst district. She will succeed Mr. T.R. Connell who has gained a Teachers' College scholarship tenable at Armidale in recognition of work that he has done in connection with the subsidised schools branch of the service.

16-05-1936 SMH CONTRACT No. 2/1936.-Construction of Concrete Causeways as follow:

1 Over Cheshire Creek on the Limekilns Wattle Flat-road, 19 miles from Bathurst. (100ft x 16ft).

2. Over Blackfellows Cr, on the Limekilns Upper Turon road, 20 m. from Bathurst. (160ft x 16ft).

03-06-1936 LM The failure of Arthur Shields to vacate the property known as 'Hollybrook,' Limekilns, after receiving notice from the owner, Francis Thomas James Tobin, led to his appearance at the Bathurst police court on a charge of trespassing. He pleaded not guilty, but Mr. Bromhead S.M., imposed a nominal fine of 10/-.



19-02-1937 NA BOXING & CYCLING

Ossie Stark (Limekilns), a fast mover, v. George Howard, (Judd's Creek), k.o. king.

22-02-1937 NA Bathurst boxing The boxing contests proved particularly entertaining and were watched by a large crowd of enthusiasts. In the main 6-round bout Ossie Stark Limekilns was successful in recording, a technical knock-out over Wal Jones, The end came in the second round.

23-02-1937 BT DEATH By the death of Mr Samuel Tobin of Sydney Road, Kelso in the Bathurst District Hospital last night the Bathurst district lost one of its oldest and most respected residents. Deceased had been in ill health for a long time but was admitted to hospital only on Sunday. He was born at Limekilns 66 years ago, and had followed farming and grazing pursuits. The late Mr Tobin was a bachelor, and lived in this district all his life, and was very widely known and popular. He is survived by four brothers Messrs John and Thomas Tobin (Limekilns), Charles Tobin (Kelso) and Benjamin (Bathurst); three sisters Mesdames Barnes (Bondi), Barnes (Culcairn), and Mick Tobin (Bathurst). The sympathy of a wide circle of friends will be extended to his bereaved relatives.

01-06-1937 Snowed.

20-06-1937 Rabbit skins 5/9 per lb.

05-07-1937 Snowed.

12-07-1937 NA DEATH, The death occurred at an early hour on Saturday night at his residence 34 7 Stewart Street, of Mr. Ewen Peter McKinnon, eldest son the late Mr. and Mrs. John McKinnon, two of the earliest pioneers in the Limekilns district. The late Mr McKinnon was born at Limekilns on August 20, 1857, nearly 60 years ago and he had followed grazing pursuits in and around the district all his life. The deceased was highly respected and will be sadly missed in the community. He is survived by a brother. Mr. G McKinnon, and a sister. Mrs. Ingram, both of Bathurst, and a nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs I. McKinnon, of Bathurst. The sympathy of a wide circle of friends will be extended to the sorrowing relatives in their sad bereavement. The funeral will leave his late residence, 347 Stewart Street, this afternoon, at 2 p.m. for the Presbyterian portion of the Bathurst cemetery.

11-12-1937 NA At 'Winburn', Limekilns TUESDAY NEXT, DECEMBER 14, 1937, 2 P.M. MESSRS. BURKE BROS, have received instructions from L. SINCLAIR to sell on the above date the following: 11 Draught and Light Horses including 3 Heavy Draught Mares, 5 and 6 years. 1x2 Furrow Disc Plough. 1x2 Furrow Plough; Lucerne Mower; 2 Horse Spring Tooth Cultivator; 2 Cows and Calves; 200 Merino Wethers, 1x3 Furrow Oliver Plough; 1x3 Furrow Disc Plough. As Mr. Sinclair has gone for a tractor everything is for genuine sale.



WARDMANS HUT ON Mt FRANKLIN ROAD c1938

06-03-1938 Tennis at Limekilns victory to Limekilns

30-06-1938 Snowed.

18-07-1938 Rabbit skins 2/9 per lb. fox skins 6/- each

02-07-1938 Snowed.

11-02-1939 NA FIRES On his way to town on Wednesday, Mr. Bern. Tobin, noticed a fire which had, started near the Junction of the Limekilns-Pailing Yards Road and immediately raised the alarm, and soon a number of men were on the scene. A phone call to the Limekilns, brought additional men from there, all being well equipped with rakes, water bags etc. The fire was quickly subdued. At about 11 p.m the same night notice came through of another outbreak in the ranges between Wyagdon and Limekilns. Men were roused from their beds and soon two lorry loads sped on their way. Being in such rough country it was difficult to locate.

16-10-1939 NA Shearing is expected to finish on Mrs. Holmes Wyagdon Station about Wednesday. Operations will then be transferred to "Clear Vale" property Limekilns. Messrs. Din Tobin (Taberatong) and F. J. of Alicedale have both cut out. Mr. Christian. of "Dulci's Vale" starts this week. Mr. Gordon Nash, of "Ulabie" is well under way with his flock..



CHRISTIANS STALLION "HONEY UAN."

19-05-1941 SMH A soldier was killed and three others were seriously injured when a Bren Gun Carrier in which they were travelling crashed through a bridge, turned upside down, and dropped 15 feet into a dry creek bed on the Limekilns Road about eight miles from Bathurst on Saturday. The injured men were trapped beneath the carrier for more than an hour. Private I. Martin, of Melbourne driver of the carrier was killed. Those injured were Captain Bride who suffered shock and petrol burns. Corporal Thorncroft both of whose legs were broken and a soldier named Swadling. The men were from the military camp at Bathurst it is believed that a defect developed in a side chain of the carrier. Private Martin was apparently killed instantly in the accident. The injured were unconscious when released. Captain Bride and Corporal Thorncroft were admitted to a hospital in Bathurst. Swadling was taken to the hospital at the military camp.

13-09-1941 SMH DEATH The death occurred early yesterday morning at the District Hospital of Miss Alice Harriet Tobin, of 14 Gladstone Street. Deceased who was 42 years of age, had been in very delicate health practically all her life and had been in hospital for the past six months. Besides her sorrowing mother, she leaves behind one sister, Jessie (Mrs. R Byers, of Kelso) and three brothers, Frank and Andy (Limekilns) and Joseph (Bathurst). Her father predeceased her by 24 years. The funeral will take place today, a service being held in the Presbyterian Church, prior to the cortege moving to the Bathurst cemetery.

02-10-1941 NA PERSONAL The death occurred suddenly at Mendoran, of Mr. John Walter Sinclair, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sinclair of Limekilns. The deceased was in the employ of the Railway Department for many years. Besides his wife he is survived by two sons, Athol (Mendoran), and Ivan (A.I.F., Abroad), and two daughters, Ruby and Mona; also three brothers, Messrs Ernest (Raglan), Hector and Hilton (Coolah) and two sisters, Mrs. A. Schofield (Bathurst) and Mrs. L. Honeyman (Raglan).

05-02-1940 NA FIRE AT CLEARVALE Wattle Flat Brigade Turns Out—

A bush fire was reported on Mr. Norman Holmes's property at Clear Vale yesterday, and Wattle Flat Bush fire Brigade and volunteers responded to a call for assistance. A telephone call to Wattle Flat found a ready response, and a party left immediately for the property. Fortunately, on arrival, it was found that the fire was under control, but the volunteers assisted last night by keeping a vigil of the burned out area. The fire is attributed to the oversight or carelessness of a fisherman. There was some comment in this district at the fact that there is no Limekilns Fire Brigade, and that the fire, being in that area, demonstrated the necessity for the formation of such a brigade. The fire, actually, was outside the Wattle Flat brigade's area.

19-10-1942 NA Albert. James. Dunn (43) was found lying in bed at the home of Mr. Andrew Tobin, Limekilns about 20 miles from Bathurst, suffering from a pea rifle wound in the upper part of the abdomen. He was admitted to St Vincent's Hospital in a critical condition late last night. Foul play is not suspected. Dunn has been living for the last five months at Mr. Tobin's property. The Tobin family left home shortly after 11 o'clock yesterday morning and on returning at, 6.30, found Dunn in his room in bed. The bedclothes were saturated with blood. He asked for a drink of water and said he had been shot. A pea rifle was lying near the bed. The wounded man is stated to have said that he had suffered the injury about noon. Sergeant Carter, who accompanied the Bathurst ambulance to the house, was told that Dunn had been in ill health for a considerable time. It is understood he has no relatives in this district. His brother is a schoolteacher at Rothbury, and the police arranged for a message to be sent to him.



- 09-01-1943 NA AMBULANCE CASE Mrs. B. Cole of Limekiln, was yesterday conveyed to the Bathurst District Hospital and admitted as a medical case.
- 25-09-1944 NA Mr. H. Churches, of Limekilns, was taken to the District Hospital on Saturday as a medical case.
- 08-11-1944 NA DEATH The death took place at his late residence, Kelso, yesterday afternoon of one of the oldest and most highly respected residents of Bathurst district in the person of Mr. Robert Bell. The late Mr. Bell was born at Limekilns 80 years ago and, lived in this district all his life. The greater part of deceased's time was spent as an orchardist and farmer at Kelso. Besides his invalid widow, deceased is survived by one son Mr. Jack Bell, of Kelso; and three daughters, Misses Mary, Abbie and Florrie Bell all of Kelso; also one niece, Mrs. Gillies, of Bathurst.
- 21-11-1944 NA DEATH The death occurred at her late residence, Kelso, yesterday, of Mrs. Johanna Mary Bell, at the age of 78. The deceased, who was born at the Limekilns, was the last surviving daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs John O'Rourke. She had been in bad health for the last few years and the death of her husband a fortnight ago brought on a serious relapse, from which she never rallied. She had resided in the district all her life, where she was well known and highly respected

#### FARM RECORDS

The following is taken from records kept by a Limekilns farmer, he had a wife and kids, a property that ran an average of 300 sheep, a little cultivation and he picked up what work he could get around the district,

- 11- 3-1945 Bought 15, 4 tooth ewes from Mr. N. J. Holmes, 14/- per head. 1 Ram £10.  
 3-1946 Bought from N. J. Holmes 16 aged ewes 11/6 per head, 1 Ram £10.  
 26-11-1946 Bought a bay horse from Norman Tobin for £11.

#### 1945 / 46 Expenditure on produce.

1 bag seed potatoes	15-00
1 bag wheat, 1 bag pollard	4- 7
1 tin drench	4- 9
1 bushell wheat	4- 7
1 bush wheat	5- 7
1 bushell bran	1- 7 ½
1 bag wheat, 1 bran, 1 pollard, chickfeed	1-19-3
2 bags chaff, chickfeed, 1 bag oats	2- 4- 6
3 bags graded oats @ 4 / 6 bushell	2- 5-6
2 bags super @ 12/-	1- 4-0
25 lbs chickfeed	4-0
15 lbs sub-clover seed @ 2/6	1- 17-6
1 bag wheat	16-3
Pollard and bran	18-6
Total for 1945-46	13-5- 7

#### 1946/47 Wages paid.

Bruce McLeay Jr. dipping	10-00
Colin Clapham ploughing 3½ acres	2-10-00
Bruce McLeay five days	2-10-00
Colin Clapham ploughing 5 acres	3-10-00
Norman Tobin 2½ days cultivating, 5 acres	3- 0- 0
Merv Nancarrow help with stable 4 days	4- 0- 0

#### INCOME 1944-45

Cashed War Bonds	20- 11- 4
Crutching Mr. T. Christian 1 day	1- 00- 0

4 Bales wool	45- 4- 8
3 Bales wool 1 butt	43- 15- 4
5 Sheep. skins	10- 6
2 days crutching for Mr. T. Christian	2- 0- 0
2 days crutching for Mr. T. Christian	2- 0- 0
Mr. N. J. Holmes shed hand	24- 13- 8
1 bale 1 bag wool	11- 16- 10
12 ½ % from wool August 1945	14- 3- 10
Sale of pine logs to Tobin	3- 0- 0

INCOME

£168- 16- 2

1951 Pasture improve 1 acre paddock

½ lb. phalaris	9- 2
3 lb. sub clover	19- 6
2 lb. perennial rye	6- 8
1 lb. cocksfoot	4- 8
1 lb. wimmeria rye	1- 9
1 bag superphosphate	1- 1- 1
Cost of seed	3- 2- 10
9 hours ploughing	5- 14- 9
2 ½ gallons petrol	7- 6
½ pint of oil	6
2 ½ hours sowing etc	15- 0

Working costs

6- 17- 6

Total cost

£10- 0- 7

MOTOR CAR EXP. 1944-45

Petrol & wiring	3- 14- 11
2 gals petrol	6- 4
Petrol, oil, battery charged	10- 10
Repairs by B McLeay	2- 10- 0
Wiring motor B McLeay	1- 0- 0
6 gals petrol, oil	1- 1- 0
Battery clips	1- 6
Engine repairs B McLeay Fit new condenser & coil	2- 10- 0
Petrol, oil	2- 0- 0

TOTAL

£13- 14- 7

08-01-1945 NA PERSONAL A most enjoyable evening was spent at 'Tabberatong,' the home of Mr. and Mrs. Denis Tobin. Limekilns on Sunday night week, seeing the old year out and the New Year in. Dancing and music were the main features. A large number of visitors from Wattle Flat, Sofala, Palmers Oakey and Kelso were present.

16-01-1945 NA A meeting held at the residence of Mr. B. McLeay formed a bush fire brigade at Limekiln.

The officers are: Secretary, James Tobin; Captain Athol Tobin; Vice-captain Ozzie. Stark:: Treasurer Bruce McLeay; President Dennis Tobin

00-00-1945 NA COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES N.S.W. L. OF C AREA.BHQ-M 8341

WARNING

THE PUBLIC ARE HEREBY WARNED THAT FIELD FIRING,PRACTICE

with Machine Guns, Rifles, and Mortar will be carried out in the vicinity of BATHURST MILITARY CAMP on MONDAY. October 15. TUESDAY. October 16. WEDNESDAY. October 17. THURSDAY. October 18. FRIDAY. October 19.

THE DANGER AREA is 1 mile wide and 24 miles long, running North easterly from the junction of Swamp Creek and Winburndale Rivulet, N.E of Bathurst Camp, as has already been proclaimed, being portions of the properties of the Misses Pratley and Messrs. O. S. Webb.

P. Ryan, and W. S. Sinclair.

WILL BE CARRIED OUT IN THE VICINITY OF THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS "CLEARVALE."

Persons entering this range do so at their own risk . The Danger Area extends 3 mile

THE PUBLIC IS WARNED of the Danger of handling Bombs. Grenades, etc. in the danger area, and are requested not to touch, but should notify the Brigade Major Bathurst Camp, or police at Kelso or Bathurst of any ammunition. R. J. DICK, Major. B.M. Bathurst. Jnr.

*These were regular ads in Bathurst papers. CF*

25-04-1945 NA THANKS Mr. and Mrs. F. Hill. Clear Vale. Limekilns, wrote expressing their very sincere thanks and appreciation for the untiring attention and kindness to their daughter, Rosemary, who had just returned home after being a patient for 15 months, during which time nothing had been a trouble to the overworked nurses, the letter stated.

19-05-1945 NA PERMIT OFFICER RESIGNS Following the resignation of Mr. T. Christian, of Limekilns, as permit officer on account of ill health, and his anticipated absence from the district, Bathurst PP Board yesterday agreed to recommend the appointment of Mr. J. Tobin, of 'Rosedale.' Limekilns.

28-05-1945 NA DEATH CHRISTIAN, Thomas, 27th May, at the residence of Mr. R. Christian. Glanmire; late of Dulcis Vale Limekilns; aged 70 years

28-06-1945 NA DEATH The death occurred in Bathurst District Hospital early yesterday morning of Mr. Alfred Ernest Sinclair, of Raglan. The late Mr. Sinclair was born at Limekilns 63 years ago and he lived in the Bathurst district all his life. He was very well known and highly respected. He is survived by two brothers, Messrs. Hilton and Hector Sinclair, of Coolah, and two sisters, Mrs. H. Honeyman, of Raglan, and Mrs. A Schofield, of Woonona. His funeral will take place this afternoon, leaving Messrs. MacDonald and Moloney's parlors at 2 o'clock for the Presbyterian portion of Bathurst cemetery.

23-08-1945 NA AMBULANCE CASE Mr. H. Churches, of Limekilns, was admitted to the District Hospital yesterday for medical treatment.

26-10-1945 NA DEATH The late Mr. Thomas Patrick Clayton, formerly of Limekilns, a report of whose death was published earlier in the week, was, in his younger days a noted sportsman in this district He was regarded as a first class pigeon shot, and won many pigeon matches. He was also a good cricketer and until recent times had been umpire for matches played at Wattle Flat. Deceased who was a highly respected resident of the district, was 76 years of age and was the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Clayton, late of Arkstone.

28-11-1945 NA FUNERAL TOBIN. The relatives and friends of the late Joseph Tobin, of Limekilns, are kindly invited to attend his funeral, to move from Messrs. Cam Reed and Son's funeral parlors Today, (Wednesday) at 12.30 o'clock for the Catholic Church, Wattle Flat, arriving at 2 o'clock, and, after a service, for interment in the Catholic portion of the Wattle Flat cemetery. Cam Reed and Son, funeral directors, 182 Piper St. Phone 360

01-03-1946 NA Last Saturday night, at the historic old homestead of 'Rosedale', Limekilns, a very successful dance and card, party was held to say farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fry, of Gosford, who have been holidaying in the district for several weeks. Over 60 attended and danced to the music supplied by Mrs. Browne. Mr. Wardman played extras. Novelty dances were won by Dorothy Nash, partnered by Max Churches (juveniles); and Miss J. Hopper (Bathurst) and Mr. Tom Tobin. Mr. Jim Tobin was the efficient M.C.

22-06-1946 GOLDEN WEDDING The parties of parties was held at "Tabbertong" to celebrate the Golden Wedding of Dennis and Mary Tobin. A room to hold the guests was built on the western side, this was a wonderful venue for entertaining and was used on many occasions in the years to follow. The night of the golden wedding was very cold with a bitter frost. There were far too many guests to fit inside, so to help keep the guests warm the family had made huge heaps of logs and these roaring fires added to the magic of the night. Food and fluid flowed freely amid the toasts, singing and dancing to the small hours of the next morning. Some of the "lads" helped themselves to a half empty beer keg and moved into the dark. They must have had a good time as they were still there sound asleep, covered in frost, when Dennis found them next morning.



DENNIS and MARY TOBIN'S GOLDEN WEDDING "TABBERTONG"

01-07-1946 NA DEATH The death occurred at St. Vincent's Hospital on Saturday night of Mrs. Jessie Florence Tobin of 14 Gladstone Street. Deceased who was 80 years of age had been ill for a very short time. She was born at Glanmire and had lived in the Bathurst district all her life, before her marriage being a member of the Davison family who were pioneers of Glanmire. She was predeceased by her husband 39 years ago and by one daughter (Alice), by five years. Her surviving family are three sons Francis of Limekilns, Andrew of Mudgee, and Joseph, of Bathurst, and one daughter Jessie (Mrs. R. Byers of Kelso); also three brothers,

04-01-1947 NA FUNERAL TOBIN : The relatives and friends of the late Mr. John Michael Tobin, of Wattle Flat and late of Limekilns are kindly invited to attend his funeral, which will move from McDonald and Moloney's Funeral Parlors this afternoon (Saturday) at 1.30 o'clock for the Catholic Church Wattle Flat,

11-01-1947 NA DEATH The death occurred very suddenly on Friday morning, of Mrs. Ethel Elgin Nancarrow, at the age of 57 years, and wife of Mr. Reginald Nancarrow, of Limekilns Road, Kelso. Deceased was a well known and highly respected resident of the Bathurst district.

She was born at Palmer's Oakey and has resided in the district all her life. Besides her husband, Mr. Reginald Nancarrow, she is survived by five sons and three daughters, Leonard, Raymond, Reginald, Victor, Mervyn; Mary (Mrs. Stark, Limekilns), Jean and Merle (Kelso), two sisters, Mrs. A. Shumack (Bathurst), and Mrs. Parr (Queensland), and one brother, Mr. Robert Munro (Enfield).

22-03-1947 SMH IN the Will of THOMAS CHRISTIAN late of Dulcis Vale Limekilns near Bathurst in the State of New South Wales, Grazier deceased. Pursuant to the Wills Probate and Administration Act 1898 1940 and Trustee Act 1925 1942 Robert Christian and Richard Christian the Executors of the Will of the said Thomas Christian who died on the 27th day of May 1945 hereby give notice that Creditors and others having any claim against or to the estate of the said deceased are required to send particulars of their claims to the said Executors in care of John Wilson Solicitor Commonwealth Bank Chambers William Street Bathurst on or before the 11th day of June 1947 at the expiration of which date the said Executors will distribute the assets of the said deceased to the persons entitled having regard only to the claims of which they then have notice Dated the 20th day of March 1947. John Wilson Proctor for the Executors Commonwealth Bank Chambers William Street Bathurst By his Agents Clayton Utz and Company Solicitors 136 Liverpool Street Sydney

25-04-1947 NA A very pleasant evening was spent at 'Glenroy,' Limekilns, on Sunday last, the occasion being the 21st birthday celebrations of Amy, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C Bennett, about 40 guests arrived and singing and dancing were indulged in until the early hours of Monday morning. Many beautiful presents were received.

19-05-1947 NA FOOTBALLER INJURED Three Bathurst footballers were injured in matches over the week-end. One being John Hill 'Clear Vale,' Limekilns

18-07-1947 NA DEATH NOTICE TOBIN: July 18, 1947, at St. Vincent's Hospital, Bathurst, Selina Jane, widow of the late Joseph Tobin, of The Limekilns, and loved mother of Norman, Michael, Athol, Byrne, Mary (Mrs. Felton) and Stella. Aged 77 years. R.I.P.

19-07-1947 Churches clearing sale at old school.

22-08-1947 NA On the eve of her departure from Limekilns where she has been teaching for the last two years, Miss Clare Peacock was tendered a surprise party and presentation by the Limekilns residents at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. McLeay of 'Sunshine,' Limekilns.

A very enjoyable evening was spent by a large gathering of friends, and a dainty home-made supper served after which the guest of honor was presented with a silver service by Mr. Austin Fearn. Miss Peacock has resigned her position owing to her approaching marriage

06-12-1947 NA ENGAGEMENT The engagement is announced of Harriet Alice, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Gibson, of Gertrude Street, North Gosford, to James Spencer, younger son of Mr. Thomas Tobin, of Limekilns, via Bathurst, and the late Mrs. Tobin.

30-04-1948 NA WEDDINGS TOBIN—GIBSON Christ Church, Gosford, was the scene of the wedding of Harriet Alice, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Gibson, of North Gosford, and James Spencer, younger son of Mr. J. Tobin, of Limekilns, and the late Mrs. Tobin. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a gown of ivory embossed satin, cut on classical lines with a flowing train. Her coronet of orange blossoms and pearls held in place her two veils, loaned by Mrs. Jack Fry and Mrs. Geoff Morris, of Gosford. She carried a bouquet of white carnations, dahlias and frangipanni. For something old, the bride carried a linen handkerchief from a trousseau of 116 years ago. She wore a string of pearls with matching earrings, a gift from the bridegroom. She was attended by her sister, Mrs. C. A. Bargent, as matron of honor, and Miss Anne Fry, a cousin of the bride was bridesmaid. Both wore gowns of blue brocaded silk with matching picture hats. They carried bouquets of asters and tuber roses. Flower girls, Jill and Christine Fearn, of Limekilns, cousins of the bridegroom, wore pink figured organdie and carried baskets of pink sweet peas and carnations. The bridegroom's gift to the bridesmaids were pearl necklets, with matching pearl earrings. The gifts to the flower girls were gold lockets. Best-man was Mr. Jack Fry, of Gosford, whilst Mr. Jack Gibson, of Wollongong, acted as groomsmen. The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. Cyril Francis. Mrs. S. Martin presided at the organ. During the signing of the register, Mrs. E. Peck sang "O Promise Me." The reception was held at Mattock's Hall, where 100 guests were received by the bride's mother, wearing a frock of delphinium blue silk linen and a shoulder spray of frangipanni. She was assisted by Mrs. Jack Fry, sister of the bridegroom, who chose a frock of powder blue moss crepe with black accessories. A feature of the breakfast was the three-tier wedding cake, made and iced by Mr. Jim Douglas, who was in charge of catering. The honeymoon was spent on a tour of the North Coast. The bride travelled in a frock of teal green with brown accessories. They will make their home at Limekilns.

29-10-1948 NA FLYING HOLIDAY Mr. and Mrs. D. Tobin of Limekilns, left on a flying tour of Australia on Wednesday afternoon. They intend to spend fourteen days on the trip, which includes stops at Sydney,

03-01-1949 BA DEATH The death occurred yesterday morning, at his daughter's residence (Mrs. B McLeay, Limekilns), of Mr. James Cullen Hunter, aged 79 years. Deceased, who was a resident of the Portland district, was on a visit to Bathurst. The body was taken to Portland for interment.



15-01-1949 BA DEATH Death in St Vincent's Hospital of Mr Herbert Wallace Churches aged 84 years.  
Buried Peel.



1948/49 movie made in sofala, "The Kangaroo Kid" STARRING Jock Mahoney.  
L to R Kay Fearn, Jock, Chris Fearn, Jill Fearn, Dawn Chishlome, Carol Fearn

24-01-1949 NA MR: CHIFLEY'S FIRST SCHOOL MASTER DEAD

The death occurred recently at a Sydney hospital of Mr. Hamilton Hume, who was the first school teacher of Mr. J. B. Chifley, the Prime Minister, when the latter first entered the Public School at Limekilns, which still functions and is in a remarkable state of preservation. The late Mr. Hume was 101 years of age and was born at Limekilns, where his parents lived for many years, being amongst the earliest settlers. A few months before his death, Mr. Chifley wrote to his old teacher and forwarded his best wishes, a communication which was highly prized by the recipient.

14-02-1949 NA AMBULANCE CASE Mr. T. Tobin, of 'Rosedale, 'Limekilns', was conveyed to the Bathurst District Hospital yesterday, where he was admitted for medical treatment.



Mary Tobin, Chris Fearn, Kay Fearn, Jill Fearn, Roger Fearn, Austin Fearn, Coral Fearn, Dennis Tobin.

08-04-1949 NA Bathurst ambulance yesterday conveyed Mrs. A. Hunter. 20 Lime St., Portland, from her daughter Mrs. R. McLeay's residence on the Limekilns, to 26 miles along the Sydney Road, when the patient was met by the Lithgow Ambulance and taken to Portland hospital.

20-05-1949 SMH IN the Will of HERBERT WALLACE CHURCHES late of Limekilns near Bathurst In the State of New South Wales Retired Farmer, deceased. Application will be made after 14 days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Testament dated the 26th April 1939 of the above named deceased may be granted to Herbert Erle Churches the sole Executor named In the said Will and all notices may be served at the undermentioned address All creditors In the Estate of the deceased are hereby required to send In particulars of their claims to the undersigned JOHN WILSON Proctor the Executor Commonwealth Bank Chambers William Street Bathurst By his Agents Messrs CLAYTON UTZ and CO Solicitors 136 Liverpool Street Sydney

29-10-1949 NA Engagement Notice The engagement is announced of Alma Heath, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Porter, of Yetholme, to Raymond James, second son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Cole, of Limekilns.

12-01-1950      NA      PROPERTY SALE      A farm and cottage on an area of 901 acres, situated 15 miles from Bathurst and auctioned yesterday realised £1905 following brisk bidding by a large and representative attendance of buyers. Offered by Mr. A. G. Walker, on account of the Public Trustee; the property, which is on the Limekilns road, was formerly a portion of the estate of the late Samuel Amour. Bidding commenced at £800 and rose rapidly in £25 bids to £1700. Buyers were still enthusiastic and the ultimate purchase price of £1905 was rapidly secured following bids of £10 and £5. The property which comprises grazing land, was bought by Mr. Dick Christian, of Dulcis Vale.

11-02-1950      NA      Mr. Tom Tobin jnr., of 'Rosedale', Limekilns, has just returned home from a holiday spent at Sydney and Gosford. While in Sydney he attended the wool sales.

17-02-1950      NA      Engagement      The engagement is announced of Margaret Thelma, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. Cole of Limekilns, to Kenneth Harold, only son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Bonham of 92 Piper Street, Bathurst.

17-02-1950      NA      WEDDING      COLE — WEMBAN      A very pretty wedding was solemnised at St Barnabas Church of England, East Orange recently, when Norma Cecily, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Wemban, of Glenroy Heights, East Orange, said I will to Cecil Bertie, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Cole, of Sunnybank, Limekilns.

24-04-1950      NA      FAREWELL AT LIMEKILNS      Departure of Mr. and Mrs. M. Ryan  
A residence of 21 years in the Limekilns District, came to an end on Saturday night, when residents of the area gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Tobin, at 'Tabberatong', to bid farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Mick Ryan, prior to their departure for Sydney. Mr. Ryan has been managing the Christian property at Limekilns for over 20 years and owing to ill-health has decided to take up residence in Sydney with his wife's sister at Kingsford.  
The couple leave early this week for Orange, where they will spend five or six weeks as the guests of their daughter. Mrs. Tobin presented Mrs. Ryan with a travelling bag and a case and Mr. Tobin made a similar presentation to Mr. Ryan, on behalf of those present. Approximately 200 attended the function and all had thoroughly enjoyable night, with dancing and singing. Mr. Jim Tobin carried out the duty of master of ceremonies, while Mr. Eric Sant, of Sofala supplied the music for dancing, per medium of a pick-up. Mr. Gordon Nash, introducing Mr. Ryan said that he had known the guests of honor for the past 18 years. 'Mr. Ryan with his genial personality has been a great help in the district and Mrs. Ryan's likeable disposition had been an inspiration,' said Mr. Nash. 'We regret their leaving the district and we are going to miss them very much. On behalf of the residents of the limekilns area I wish them God speed and happiness.' Mr. Dan Healey spoke on behalf of the residents of Wattle Flat. He referred to Mr. and Mrs. Ryan's association with the local Parents and Citizens Association, and the benefit they had been to the district. He also wished them happiness in their new abode. Mr. Nash then thanked Mr and Mrs. Tobin for the use of their home. Replying, Mr. Tobin said that it gave his wife and himself great pleasure to make their home available for such a purpose

19-05-1950      SMH      DEATH      Mr. James Melton, of Bridge Street, passed away on Sunday night, 14<sup>th</sup> May, after having been a respected resident of this community for ten years. The late Mr. Melton was widely known throughout the central west of the State. He was the discoverer of the mineral dolomite, at Mount Knowles, near Mudgee, where he carried on business for many years. He supplied dolomite in partnership with the late Mr. Hunter White, of Havalah, on whose property it was discovered. The dolomite was supplied to the Broken Hill proprietary company at Newcastle. In later years, deceased represented the Main Roads Board as a quarrying expert at Bega, Nowra, Wallerawang and Port Macquarie, and retired about four years ago. The late Mr. Melton was born at the Limekilns, Wattle Flat, near Bathurst, and was the youngest member of the family. He leaves a sorrowing widow and nine adult children, while one daughter predeceased him about six years ago. Besides their mother, two members of the family live at Port Macquarie, viz, Mr. Barry Melton, and Phyllis (Mrs. Eric Williams). The funeral on Tuesday moved from the Church of St. Agnes, and the interment was made in the Roman Catholic portion of the Port Macquarie cemetery, Rev. Fr. Curran officiating

11-10-1950      NA      Limekilns Bush Fire Brigade      A MEETING of above Brigade will be held at Secretary's residence at 8 p.m. on October 15. All Interested please attend. J. S. TOBIN, Hon. Secy.

24-11-1950      NA.      Mrs. Jack Fry, of Gosford, will return home today, after an enjoyable holiday spent in Bathurst. She has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. Bally, of Stewart Street. She also spent the weekend with her brother's Tom and Jim Tobin, of 'Rosedale', Limekilns.

25-01-1951      NA      PERSONAL      Mr. A. G. W. Wood, who has been looking after the Daily Mirror in Melbourne for some years, has resigned because of ill health. He is going on the land to raise sheep.  
Location—Limekilns, NSW.'

04-10-1951      NA      DEATH      The death took place at St. Vincent's Hospital yesterday morning of Mr. Francis Thomas James Tobin, of Limekilns. Deceased was born at Bathurst 50 years ago and had lived at Limekilns all his life. He followed grazing pursuits. He was well known and highly respected. The late Mr. Tobin is survived by his widow, two sons, Donald and Ian, and two daughters, Nita and Kay, one sister, Mrs. Byers, of Kelso; two brothers, Andrew, of Mudgee, and Joseph, of Bathurst. The funeral will take place this afternoon, moving from MacDonald and Moloney's funeral parlors at 3 p.m. for the Methodist portion of Bathurst cemetery where interment will take place.

15-10-1951      SMH      IN the Will of FRANCIS THOMAS JAMES TOBIN late of Limekilns married Bathurst in the State of New South Wales, Grazier, deceased Application will be made after 14 days from the publication here of that Probate of the last Will and Testament dated the first day of October 1951 of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to Amy Alice Tobin the Executrix named in the said Will and all notices may be served at the undermentioned address All creditors in the Estate of the de-ceased are hereby required to send in particulars of their claims to the undersigned MCINTOSH, McPHILLAMY & CO Proctors, William Street Bathurst, 3W By their Agents BARRY NORRIS WILDESA, LENDER Solicitors 62 Hunter Street Sydney

10-04-1952 NA ENGAGEMENTS The engagement is announced of Rosemary Jane, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Hill, 'Dulcis Vale,' Limekilns, to James White, 63 Lambert Street, formerly, of England.

05-07-1952 Snowed.

20-10-1952 NA CAR OVERTURNS A car over turned on the Limekilns Road on Saturday afternoon after it skidded on loose gravel and struck a culvert. The driver, Thomas J. Tobin, told police he was driving along the Limekilns Road about 25 mph when he hit a patch of loose gravel. He lost control of the car and it struck the culvert and overturned. No one was injured but the car was considerably damaged.

02-01-1953 The Farmer & Settler (part of article by Arthur Pratley)

About this time, James Stewart, Mt. Pleasant, Eglington, and Dulcis Vale, Limekilns, had a flock of good fine woolled sheep. The flock at Limekilns was mainly Tasmanian blood.

Before mentioning any of the present day breeders, let me pay a tribute to one of the old school of breeders who is still with us. I refer to Mr. Norman J. Holmes, Yarras, Hope Street, Bathurst. Mr. Holmes had a stud many years ago at Cathundral, Trangie. Later he bred Merino sheep at Yarras, Kelso, the homestead of which is now owned by Mr. Herbert Pratley. Some years ago he conducted a Corriedale stud, but once a Merino breeder always a Merino breeder. He started on that breed again at what may be termed two studs. He formed them both on Wanganella blood, one at his own property, Clear Vale, Limekilns, the other at Wyagdon between Peel and Wattle Flat. Mr. Holmes ran the Limekilns stud successfully for many years. He sold it a few years ago to Mr. J. Toole, Kelso. Wyagdon is still going, and under the careful supervision of N. J. it will continue to flourish. Mr. Holmes, and his father before him, were more famous for Durham cattle than sheep. Their stud at Holmhurst, Kelso (now in the possession of Mr. J. Eaton and Mr. J. Leitch) was famous throughout N.S.W. Mr. Holmes now supervises this family heirloom for his daughter, Mrs. E. N. Stack, on portion of his original Yarras property.

Next In order of foundation was Alicedale, Limekilns, founded by the late Frank. T. J. Tobin. This stud was started from James Stewart's sheep at Dulcis Vale (now owned by Abel and Christian) These were mainly Tasmanian blood The next infusion was from Old Bayly rams from E. Gazzard, Clergate, Orange. The Old Bayly blood was early type Havilah (Mudgee). After persevering with these lines for a number of years, Egelabra blood was introduced with splendid results. Several special Egelabra sires were purchased and the stud may now be termed almost pure Egelabra.

02-12-1952 NA DEATH TOBIN: The death occurred on Sunday, 30th November, of Mrs Dennis Tobin, at her home, 'Tabratong,' Limekilns. There will be no funeral as her body is bequeathed to the University.

22-12-1952 NA DEATH TOBIN The death occurred in the Bathurst district Hospital yesterday morning of Mr. Dennis Tobin, of 'Taberatong,' Limekilns, at the age of 81 years. The late Mr. Tobin, was well known and respected in the district and his passing comes as a great shock to all who knew him: Deceased was predeceased three weeks by his wife. The family has announced that there will not be a funeral as Mr. Tobin bequeathed his body to the Sydney University for medical research. The late Mr. Tobin had lived in the Bathurst district all his life. Both he and the late Mrs. Tobin were keenly interested in local charities and often held social evenings at the home Taberatong, for the Bathurst District Hospital and the Ambulance. The couple celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their home in June, 1946. Deceased is survived by one son and five daughters, 12 grandchildren and one great grandchild. The family is Jack, (Wattle Flat); Alma (Mrs. D. Healey, Wattle Flat); Helen (Mrs. Richards, Sydney); Lou (Mrs. Chisholm, Wattle Flat), and Pat (Mrs. Fearn, Limekilns). Mr. Tobin had been a subscriber to the National Advocate since its inception. Mrs. Tobin also bequeathed her body to the Sydney University for the furtherance of medical and scientific research

04-02-1953 NA MINOR ACCIDENT No person was injured when a car and a utility collided on the Limekilns Road, about 11 miles from Bathurst at 10.45 p m, Monday night. The accident was reported, to Bathurst police yesterday by Mr. Matthew C. Toole, of Peel Road, Kelso. Toole reported that his utility truck skidded into the approach of an oncoming car driven by Mr. Duncan. Ferguson of Palmers Oakey. The offside front mud guard of Toole's truck struck the offside rear guard of the vehicle driven by Ferguson. Damage to the vehicles was only slight.

14-03-1953 NA BUS LINK SOUGHT Limekilns Move The request for the appointment of a Departmental teacher to the school at Limekilns could only be considered after it was established that the school could maintain a minimum average attendance of nine pupils over a reasonable period,' the Minister for Education (Mr. Heffron) advised yesterday. In a letter forwarded Turon Shire Council by the local member (Mr. Kelly), Mr. Heffron said: 'I understand that the parents at Limekilns are giving consideration to the establishment of a subsidised school, and when it is proved that a satisfactory attendance can be maintained, I will give further consideration to the establishment of a Departmental school in the area. Mr. Heffron referred to Mr. Kelly a representations on behalf of the Turon Shire Council, concerning its support of the application by the Limekilns Progress Association for the establishment of a school bus service from Limekilns to Bathurst. Representatives of the parents at Limekilns recently discussed the matter with the Director of Education. Western Area, Bathurst. It was then pointed out that it would be most costly and uneconomical to convey the small number of children such a distance each day. The Limekilns representatives had pointed out that it would not be possible to find a contractor for the proposed service at the subsidy ratio which would be payable were funds available. The matter was then taken up through Mr. Kelly. A copy of Mr. Heffron's letter will be forwarded to the Limekilns residents. Mr. Austin, bus contractor operating between Sunny Corner and Bathurst is prepared to travel five miles along the Limekilns Road from the Western Highway and the offer will be considered by residents.

18-04-1953 NA Engagement The engagement is announced of Betty Emma, youngest daughter of Mr. H. R. Weal and the late Mrs. E. Weal, of William Street to Maxwell Herbert, youngest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. H. Churches late of Limekilns.

15-08-1953      WT      DEATH Another link with old Bathurst was severed when the death took place at Bathurst District Hospital last Friday of Mr Thomas Joseph Tobin at the age of 84 years. The late Mr Tobin was born at Limekilns where his father, Mr Thomas Tobin, conducted the Rising Sun Hotel. The original building was built in 1852 and is still the family homestead Apart from ten years spent at French's Forest, Mr Tobin lived his life at Limekilns, where he following grazing pursuits until he retired about ten years ago. The late Mr Tobin, whose hospitality was known to a wide circle of friends, had vivid recollections of the gold rush days. He was married in 1898 to Miss Florence Beatrice Lewis of Palmer's Oakey. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs J Fry of Gosford, and sons, Thomas James, and James Spencer both of Limekilns, an elder sister Mrs Barnes of Delegate, and two brothers, Mr John Patrick Tobin of the Macquarie Homes Bathurst, who celebrated his 90th birthday last Sunday, and Mr Ben Tobin of Dunkeld

05-02-1954      NA      Mrs. A. Gibson, of Gosford has returned home after an enjoyable holiday spent with her daughter, son-in-law and granddaughter, Mr and Mrs. J. S. Tobin and Nola, of 'Rosedale', Limekilns. She was accompanied by another granddaughter, Beryl Baugent, of Avoca Beach. Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Tobin. of Rosedale, Limekilns, have had as their guests, Mrs. O. Rampling and daughter,



AFTER CHURCH at ROSEDALE 1950's



Mrs Olive Rampling (nee Guihot) & Amanda Guihot.

10-04-1954      NA      DEATH Mr. John Patrick Tobin passed away in the Macquarie Homes, Bathurst, yesterday at the age of 90 years. The late Mr. Tobin had lived in the Bathurst district all his life, for many years at Limekilns.

24-04-1954      NA      ELECTRICITY AT LIMEKLINS Sixteen ratepayers in the Limekilns, area .want electricity extended to their properties, in a letter to yesterday's meeting of Turon. Shire Counsel, Mr. M. C. Toole and 15 other petitioners asked that Council investigate the possibility that the extensions be carried out. This will be done.

04-06-1954      NA      Bruce J. McLeay, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. McLeay, of Limekilns, who has spent the last fourteen months in New Zealand, flew home recently for a fortnight's holiday, before sailing on the "Oronsay" for Canada on May 21. He intends seeing the Empire Games while in Canada.

02-07-1954 SMH. SOUND BATHURST DISTRICT GRAZING PROPERTY "ALICE DALE"

For Sale by Public Auction at Royal Hotel, Bathurst On FRIDAY, 16th JULY, 1954, at 3 p.m.

Under instructions from MRS. A. A. TOBIN we will submit her property in three blocks as under:

1. "LIMEKILNS BLOCK": Situated 17 miles from City of Bathurst by good Road. 246 Acres, Freehold. Country undulating with good black soil flats on Cheshire Creek. Practically all enclosed with netting and subdivided into 12 paddocks. Watered by 6 dams and Cheshire Creek. 40 acres sown with sub-clover, phalaris and rye grass. 48 acres growing crop given in. Pise house of 4 rooms Telephone connected to Bathurst. Woolshed, yards, dip and large hay shed.

2. "CLEAR CREEK BLOCK": 15 miles from Bathurst, Area of 640 acres, Freehold. Restricted Title. About 30 acres creek flats, balance undulating to hilly. Timber mainly box and stringy, killed out except for shade trees, and 140 acres of green timber. Subdivided into 5 paddocks, fencing good. Watered by creeks and springs.

3. "QUART POT BLOCK": Situated 12 miles from Bathurst. Area 1266 acres, Freehold. Restricted Title. Undulating to hilly, some creek flats. Boundary netted and subdivided into 4 paddocks. Watered by dams and Clear Creek. Pise and concrete house, 6 rooms, kitchen and enclosed veranda, septic tank. Telephone connected to Bathurst, water laid on to garden, dairy, garage and shed.

"ALICE DALE" has been held by the Tobin family for many years and is only being sold for health reasons. The property is renowned for its high quality wool and is recommended as a sound grazing proposition. 25% rebate allowed to an outside agent introducing the approved buyer in writing prior to the sale. For further particulars and inspection apply: E. H. TAYLOR & COMPANY, AUCTIONEERS, BATHURST

17-07-1954 NA BIG PRICE FOR GRAZING AREA. LIMEKILNS PROPERTY SOLD

The remarkable increase in values for small properties In the Bathurst district was indicated yesterday when the grazing area known as 'Limekilns Block', (*Alice Dale house*) comprising 246 acres, was sold for £53 an acre. The purchaser, after spirited bidding, was Mr Gordon Nash, of Wattle Flat.

The price is probably a local record for this type of country and its location, some 17 miles from Bathurst. The sale was conducted by E. H. Taylor & Co. of Bathurst at the Royal Hotel on account of the owner Mrs. A. A. Tobin.

Two other areas belonging to the same owner were also sold.

One was the Quart Pot block. 15 miles from Bathurst area 600 acres, which went to Mr. John Wilson, a Bathurst solicitor, for £13 5-. An acre

The third was the holding known as Clear Creek. 12 miles from Bathurst, area 1260 acres. This was bought by a neighbouring landholder, Mr. H.(Sam) Harrison, for £8 an acre.

There was a large attendance at the sale, the lounge room at the hotel being filled to overflowing with spectators, the majority local landholders.

The whole property is known as 'Alicedale'. The Limekilns block, sold first, has been in the hands of the Tobin family for 100 years.

Bidding for Limekilns block (246 acres), started at £25. It quickly rose to £40 and with three bidders in the room the offers rose in £1 bids until the final figure of £53 was reached. It is understood that the under bidders were Messrs. J. Toole (*who later purchased it. CF*) and H.(Sam) Harrison. The latter subsequently purchased one of the other blocks.

Limekilns block was described as undulating country with black soil flats on Cheshire Creek. It is practically all netted, and subdivided into 12 paddocks: watered by six dams and Cheshire Creek. 60 acres sown with sub-clover and other grasses and 48 acres of crop.

A house on the property is of pise of four rooms. Other improvements include a woolshed, dip and hayshed. It was stated after the sale that in 1923 similar land adjoining Limekilns was bought for £3 an acre.

Bidding for what is known as the Quart Pot block, 15 miles, from Bathurst, started at £8 an acre and finished at £13 5-0, at which price it was knocked down to Mr. J. Wilson. The area (600 acres) comprises about 30 acres creek flats, balance being undulating to hilly. Timber is killed out except, for shade trees and 140 acres of green timber. The property is subdivided into five paddocks and watered by creeks and springs. (*Onsold to Austin Fearn. CF*)

Bidding for the block known as Clear Creek. (1266 acres), 12 miles from Bathurst, started at £6 and closed at £8 an acre at which price it was purchased by Mr. H.(Sam) Harrison. This holding is undulating to hilly with some creek flats. The boundary is netted and subdivided into four paddocks, watered by dams and Clear Creek. There is a pise and concrete house of six rooms. These three properties are regarded as sound grazing propositions and noted for high class wool production

02-08-1954 LM CLEARING SALE "Alicedale". Situated 17 miles on Limekilns Road from Bathurst Saturday, 7th August 1954, at 2 p.m. Under instructions from Mrs. A. A. Tobin.

PLANT: 1 6ft. Massey Binder; 1 13 run Massey Disc Drill; 1 No. 7 Massey Mower. 2 Hay racks. 1 Harvey Orchard Disc Harrow. 1 Sunglow Cultivator. 1 Pasture Cultivator and Seed Box. 1 Horse Wagon. 2 3 Furrow M.B. Ploughs. 2 2 Furrow M.B. Ploughs. 2 Single Furrow Ploughs. 1 Road Plough. 1 2 Blade Chaff cutter. 1 Hand Corn Cracker. 1 Power Blower. 1 Adjustable Saw Bench. 3 Leaf Harrows. 1 4 h.p. I.H.C. Portable Engine. 1 2½ h.p I.H.C. Engine. 2 Sulkies. 1 Buggy. 1 Spring Cart. 1 Horse Dray. 1 Water Cart (110 gal.). 1 1 Stand O.H. M.V. Shearing Plant complete, brand new. 1 Fargo Truck 1936 model 2 Tons. 1 Steel Tool Box. 1 4 wheel Light Tractor Trailer. Also numerous sundry items.



FURNITURE. 3 Furniture Suites (wardrobe, dressing table and bed). 1 Sideboard. 1 "Air-zone" cabinet model Wireless. 1 Fountain. 2 Kitchen Cabinets. 1 large Kitchen Table. 3 small Tables. 1 "Blue Bird" Sewing Machine. 1 Bath Tub. 6 Iron Bedsteads. 6 Chairs. 1 Chest of Drawers. 1 Settee. Quantity Crockery. 1 Cane Chair. Copper and Stand. 3 Double Mattresses. 1 Home phone Cabinet Gramophone.

HORSES. 7 well bred Horses, including 2 stallions. 4 Mares in foal and 2 unbroken Horses.

Approximately 40 tons Oaten Hay.

Please Note Time and Place of this important Auction. E. H. TAYLOR & CO., Auctioneers,

02-08-1954 Snowed

04-08-1954 NA Engagement of Edith Alice, eldest daughter of Mrs. A Bonfield, of Peel, to Maxwell James, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cole, of Limekilns.

17-12-1954 NA "Clearvale", Limekilns was the scene of a very happy gathering last Saturday when local residents and friends from Bathurst and Peel joined together for the annual Xmas party. The arrival of Santa Claus, who distributed gifts from a gaily decorated tree, was a great delight to the children, and a happy climax to the day's pleasure.

1955 Car Insurance on Ford Sedan valued at £175-00-00 = £16-10-3

18-05-1955 Snow

21-05-1955 Sale of sheds etc at Bathurst army camp.

20-11-1955 SMH Death Patrick Tobin, age 94 late of Limekilns

26-06-1956 Buyers Clem Callagan, Frank Burke & Max Palmer buying sheep at 50/- to 82s6d.

28-06-1956 Snow

11-07-1956 Snow

23-08-1956 Snow

07-07-1957 Snow.



DENNIS and VERONICA (Birdie)TOBIN Sept. 1957

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)

10-07-1959 The old Hollybrook School Site was transferred by Duncan Ferguson, Palmers Oakey to the Bathurst P.P.Board for them to use as a T.S.R. He had leased it from the Crown for several years and used it as a T.S.R. When the Palmers Oakey people were erecting the phone line they camped in the old school that was still standing.

00-10-1959 Automatic telephone service connected through R A X at Limekilns.

05-07-1960 Snowed

20-07-1960 Snowed heaviest for years

13-08-1960 Snow.

01-08-1962 Snowed.

21-08-1962 Snowed.

13-07-1963 Snowed





1963. LOADING WOOL AT "CLEARVALE" ONTO CHEV. TRUCK

- 03-11-1964 Big snow storm, heavy rain, floods.  
 24-11-1964 Palmers Oakey people working on phone line repairing snow damage.  
 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  
 18-07-1965 Record fall of snow over 2 feet on Mt Horrible. No phone and no power.  
 11-11-1965 Cold and snowing, very cold day.  
 06-12-1965 Locals working on road at Penders crossing, Shire supplied pipes and and Brian Thompson used his dozer and grader, Fergusons used their dozer.  
 16-12-1965 Palmers Oakey Brigade members were testing radios and word came through that "Clearvale" woolshed 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. Jack Toole replaced it with a new and up to date shed, that was "The Shed" for many years.  
 15-07-1966 Snowed  
 26-07-1966 Snowed  
 27-07-1966 Snowed  
 22-08-1966 Snowed  
 03-10-1966 Snowed  
 31-07-1967 Locals and Palmers Oakey men working on re-aligning Diamond Creek crossing.  
 03-08-1967 Finished roadwork at Diamond Creek.  
 07-08-1967 Snowed  
 24-11-1967 CLEARING SALE Stock, Plant, Furniture "TABBERATONG"  
 Situated 16 miles from Bathurst on Limekilns Rd. SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1967, at 1.30 p.m.  
 On account Estate Late AUSTIN. S. FEARN

#### STOCK:

720 MERINO MIXED SEXES, various ages to be drafted.  
 215 MERINO EWES, 3, 4 and 5 years with merino lambs at foot.  
 11 MERINO RAMS.

All sheep carrying 12 months of good clean free wool.

10 COWS AND CALVES.

1 POLL HEREFORD BULL, 2 years old.

PLANT, including: 1 1959 Ford sedan car, Massey Ferguson 35 tractor, Harley Davidson motor cycle ,tiller, harrows, super spreader, 3-point linkage, Canadian chain saw, lucerne mower, Villiers pump and motor; timber splitting gun, large quantity sundries, tools.

FURNITURE, including: Westinghouse deep freezer, lounge suite, dining room table and chairs, sideboard, occasional tables, wardrobes, dressing tables, bedroom suites, two pianos, Philips TV set, five Laminex tables, ornaments, kitchen utensils, sundries. .. No outside entries. Terms cash .. Afternoon tea available from Sofala Red Cross.

E. H. Taylor ;& cs. Auctioneers 142 Russell St., Bathurst. Phone 3115, 2532

02-12-1967 N A Grazier's Death A Bathurst district grazier who collapsed and died while attending an auction sale at Limekilns on Saturday had an Interesting career in aviation. He was John Joseph Tobin, who at the time of his death was a grazier at Limekilns. Mr. Tobin collapsed and died while attending a sale at the "Tabberatong" property, which he assisted, his late father, Dennis Tobin, to establish. In recent years, Mr. Tobin had conducted the Limekilns properties, "The Brook." and "North Brook" In 1924, he was keenly interested in aviation and went to the United States, where he became a pilot. Mr. Tobin later became manager of the Heath Airfield in Chicago. On his return to Australia, he married, and settled' on his Limekilns properties.

He is survived by his wife, Millie, sisters, Mary (Mrs. A. Wood), Alma (Mrs Dan Healey), Neillie (Mrs. Richards). and Lue (Mrs. Allen Chisholm). He was predeceased by his sister, Hypatia. Funeral arrangements are of a private nature.

31-07-1967 Locals working on re-aligning Diamond Creek crossing at Limekilns.

17-11-1967 NA Probate in the Estates of Austin Stanley Wallace and Hypaita Margaret Neville Fearn may be granted to Stella Christine Dean a daughter of said deceased.

01-09-1970 Snowed.

11-02-1972 SMH

#### AUCTION SALE

One of the Best Known BATHURST PROPERTIES. "DULCIS VALE"  
 18 Miles North of the City of Bathurst  
 3328 Acres Freehold of Limestone Formation,  
 highly suitable for the production of beef, oilseeds, wool and lambs.  
 For genuine sale by Public Auction to wind up the long standing Abel and Christian Partnership.  
 At the Civic Hall BATHURST, Friday 25th Feb. 1977 at 3-00 P.M.  
 LOT 1 Homestead approx. 1630 acres all necessary buildings.  
 LOT 2 Sunshine Block approx. 1068 acres. Cottage  
 LOT 3 Plateau Block approx. 530 acres.  
 Each block enclosed with netting, and watered by creeks and springs.  
 Details from DALGETY AUST LTD. Bathurst 313010, AH 313252, 314216.

07-07-1972 Snowed.

25-05-1974 Heavy snow,

17-10-1974 Snowed.

07-02-1975 SMH Death Lattice Marie Davis Late of "Tabberatong" Limekilns

12-06-1975 Snowed.

09-02-1977 SMH Death Eileen Mary Toole age 71 late of Limekilns.

31-05-1977 Snowed.

01-06-1977 Snowed.

02-06-1977 Snowed.

12-08-1978 Snow.

26-01-1979 Bush fire at "Dulcis Vale" Limekilns that lightning started.

06-04-1979 John Ernest Cribb and William Munday escaped from the Morisset Hospital for the criminally insane, on the 4-4-79. After committing murders and rapes in the Sydney area they made their way to Bathurst in a stolen car. They changed their clothes in a local store and then walked to Limekilns. Several people (*including my wife and I. CF.*) saw them along the road and did not associate them with the Sydney rampage. They stoped at the Rising Sun and demanded Tom Tobin drive them to Sydney. Tom refused and they tied him to a bed with strips of towling and neckties. They stole his car, 2 shotguns, a 12 gague and a 410 along with ammunition and \$30-00 in cash. The next afternoon Tom was found by a visitor and released. Two days later Tom's car was found at Blacktown. They were later caught and received life sentences. (*Poor Tom was never the same after his ordeal. CF.*)

28-06-1980 Snow.

04-07-1980 Snow.

21-03-1982 WA Death Thomas James Tobin,(Tom) late of Limekilns

19-04-1982 WA Funeral Eileen Massom Hope Hill, late of Limekilns.

20-06-1982 Snow.

19-07-1982 Snow, about 125 mm on Mt Horrible.



"TABERRATONG" 1982



**TOBIN/GORMAN REUNION 1982 AT "TABBERATONG"**  
Dawn Callan, Chris Dean Turner, Kay Skidmore, June Cotteril.  
Denice Moorhouse. Alma Healey. Corral Tobin Fern, Lee O'Brien.  
Millie Tobin, Jill Bonic, Leita Healey



**LACHIE GUIHOT, BETTY, TONY TOOLE & KIDS**

19-06-1984	First snow for winter.
04-07-1984	Heavy snow. Very cold day,
07-09-1984	WA Death                      Ida Mary Guihot, age 80, late of "Kelanndale" Limekilns.
30-01-1985	Bush fire at Blue Hill Limekilns.
04-06-1985	Snow.
05-06-1985	Heavy snow,
06-08-1985	Snowed



**THELMA & BERT COLE**

23-11-1985	WA	Death	Thelma Emily Ada Cole, late of "Sunnybank" Hollybrook
13-12-1985	WA	Funeral	Bertie Cole late of "Sunnybank" Hollybrook.
06-08-1986	Heavy rain & snow. Roads closed, Bathurst record flood.		
31-08-1987	Snowed		
09-01-1989	WA	Death	Harget Seaborn Davis. Late of "Tabberatong" Limekilns. Age 27.
24-07-1989	Snow.		
08-08-1989	Snow.		
24-08-1989	Snow		
04-09-1989	WA	Death	Colleen June Hagney, age 64 late of "Wunnah" Limekilns
28-12-1989	WA	Funeral	Athol Tobin late of "Oakleigh" Limekilns
28-06-1990	Snow		
06-07-1990	Snow		
24-07-1990	Heavy rain,		
02-08-1990	115mm overnight, floods across the State		
05-08-1990	Snow and rain		
00-08-1990	Landslides		
22-08-1990	Snow		
25-08-1990	Snow		
24.04.1993	Leo Palmer (Mt Horrible) died at the wheel of his ute (at Bread & Butter Flat) on his way to Peel.		
12.06.1993	Snowed		
30-10-1993	WA	Death	Bruce Patrick McLeay age 86, late of Limekilns.
03.11.1993	Bruce Mc Leay buried at Bathurst		
08.12.1993	Don Nash buried at Bathurst		
01-03-1994	WA	Death	Ruby Alice McLeay age 85, late of Limekilns
04.03.1994	Ruby McLeay buried		
13-10-1984	WA	Death	Athol (Bobby) Tobin, late of Limekilns
15-03-1995	Amy Tobin died at Gulgong. Wife of the late Frank Tobin "Alice Dale" Limekilns		
17-03-1995	Escapee 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	Escapee caught at Limekilns		
10-12-1995	Ben Stark shot and wounded slightly while hunting rabbits at Limekilns		
18-06-1996	Ozzie Stark buried on the Starks property at Limekilns		
28-07-1998	Snow		
14-06-1991	Snow		
15-09-1996	SMH	Death	Edward John Edwards age 65 late of Limekilns & Wentworth Falls.
11-08-1997	WA	Death	Lyle Tobin, late of "Delhi" Limekilns
19-09-1998	WA	Death	Millie Irene Tobin late of "Northbrook" Limekilns
27-09-1999	WA	Death	Stephen Charles (Steve) Buckley. Late of "Deloraine Park" Limekilns.
31-08-2003	WA	Death	Mary Elgin Stark, age 81, late of Limekilns.
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		
01-05-2012	WA	Death	Wesley Alexander (Bud) Davis. Age 78, late of Limekilns.
10-10-2012	WA	Death	Michael Robert Dwyer. Late of Limekilns
11-08-2016	Death. Harriet Alice Tobin died Bathurst Hospital, aged 92. Late of "Rosedale" Limekilns, wife of James Spencer Tobin.		



Typical Early Limekilns Residence.





## LIMEKILNS TENNIS CLUB.

*In my quest for information on Limekilns, Carol Churches came to my aid with photos and material.*

*One of these gems were the "Books" of the Limekilns Tennis Club, years 1912 to 1925.*

*Most of the entries are legible, but some are showing their age. I have done my best to set this information out for you, as it was, I consider it important as it puts a time and place to names.*

*I have set this out as it was in the 2 books (160mm x 120mm)CF*

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### RECEIPTS

2 <sup>ND</sup> Sept Subs	£3-12-00
Edgleys donation	10-00
Mrs M Tobin subs	3-00
Miss N Rourke	3-00
Mrs McCudden	3-00
Miss E Gorman	3-00
E Butler	3-00
Mrs G McKinnon	3-00
J Miller donation	1-00-00
Received Charles Tobin.	£1-18-00 23-9-12
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22-9-12 Subs	6-00-00
24-9-12 J Wilson subs	3-00
J Wilson cont.	4- 6
S Tobin	3-00
J Roher 17 oct 12	5-00
P Tobin "	5-00
J BJ Meaher	10-6
17-10-12 Received C Tobin	1-11-00

### EXPENCES

Aug 25 Letter to McKinnon	1d
" " Meayher	1d
" " Edgley	1d
Sept 3 <sup>rd</sup> " Mocklers	1d
" : Edgley	1d
" " Mr Stewart	1d
" " L H Webb	1d
" " J Miller	1d
2 coils netting 36x18x1,1/2	2-5-00
4-9-12 J Miller Rtn Thanks	1d
20-9-12 ½ doz Ten balls	9-6d
Received 17/6 23-9-12 ? Lewis	
Expenses 23-9-12	2-15-00
Rtn. Thanks Meagher 19-10-12	1d

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23-9-12 Mr F Tobin, B Tobin, John Tobin, T Jones, T McKinnon, Mrs Lewis, Josey Bayliss, Sis Bayliss, Mr C Tobin, L Lewis, L Larnach, H McKinnon.

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Meeting 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept 12

Pro by Miss S Bayliss sec by Mrs Lewis that the minutes as read be adopted (carr).

Pro by W Lewis sec by Mrs H McKinnon Mr Millen be elected as President of the Tennis Club (carr)

Pro by Mr C Tobin sec by Mr T Bayliss that the accounts for wire and tennis balls be passed for payment (carr)

Pro by Mrs Lewis sec by Mr C Tobin that no obscene language be used within the hearing of the court, and anyone so doing be fined 2/6 (carr).

Prop by Mr Lewis sec by Mr Jones that a member owing 5/- be unfiancial, and if the money be not forthcoming within a month be struck off the list of members, (carr)

Pro by Miss Baylis sec by Josey Bayliss that no member play two consecutive sets, providing other members are present (carr)

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Pro by Mr Lewis sec by Mr H McKinnon that Mr Bayliss be one of the Selection Committee.

Pro by Miss Bayliss sec by Mr H McK. that Mr John Tobin be one of the Selection Committee

Pro by Mr Bayliss sec by Mr C Tobin that Mr McKinnon be one of the Selection Committee.

3 motions carried Meeting closed 9-55 pm. W.A Larnach

Meeting at court 20<sup>th</sup> Oct 12

Pro by Mr C Tobin sec by Mr Larnach that a weather shed be erected. (carr)

Pro by Mr C Tobin sec by Mr D Tobin that shed have iron roof, guttering and a 100 gallon tank (carr).

Pro by Mr John Tobin sec by Mr D Tobin that 16 sheets of 7 feet iron, 2 sheets of 5 feet iron, 2 lbs screws, 1 lb washers, 1 lb 3in nails, and 1 lb 2in nails be bought for the shed. (carr)

Pro by Mr J Tobin sec by Mr Bayliss that the shed be built at the northern end of the court. (carr)

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Pro by Mr B Tobin sec by Mr M Tobin that 50 ft of ¾ or 1"x 6 in undressed pine boards be bought for a table (carr).

Meeting held 26 th Jan 13

Pro by Mr Lewis sec by J Tobin the account rendered be passed (carried)

Pro by Mr C Tobin sec by Mr F Tobin that tenders be called to carry out the necessary improvements to the court. (carried)

Pro by Mr C Tobin sec by Mr J Wilson two tables be made with the boards purchased (carried)

Pro by Mr J Wilson sec by Mr.T Bayliss that the three club racquets be restrung (lost)

Pro by Mr Lewis sec by J McCudden that new racquets be bought when club is financial enough, instead of the old racquets being restrung, (carried)

Pro by Mr J Tobin sec Mr U Schofield that a net be bought (carr)

Pro by Mr U Schofield sec by Mr W Wilson that a call of 2/6 each member be made. (carr)

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Ball. Mr F Tobin 2/6, Mr U Schofield 2/6,

At an extraordinary meeting it was proposed and passed that Mr C Tobin carry out the work at the court for 1-15-00. It was pro and passed that a match be played at Wattle Flat. W A Larnach.

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Meeting held 3<sup>rd</sup> March 13

Pro by J Tobin sec by Mr Schofield that the minutes as read be adopted (carr)

Pro by W J Byers sec W Wilson that the resignation of Mr T Bayliss and Mr T McKinnon from the Selection Committee be accepted. (carr)

Pro by Mr J Wilson sec by Mr W Wilson that Mr F Tobin be on the Selection Committee (carr)

Pro by Mr U Schofield sec by Mr J Wilson that Mr W Larnach act on the Selection Committee. (carr)

Pro By Mr Lewis sec by Mr J Byers that in the absence of one of the Selection Committee , Mr J Wilson act in place of the absentee (carr)

Pro by Mr W Lewis sec by Mr U Schofield that only playing members be asked to subscribe for requisites for playing (carr)

Pro by Mr Lewis sec by Mr J Byers that the new racquets and net being purchased be allowed out to practice with in the

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event of a match coming on and not for ordinary practice. (lost).

Pro by Mr Larnach sec by Mr Wilson that the racquets and balls be left out for practice and the net kept for matches (carr)

Pro by Mr U Schofield sec by Mr F Tobin that in reply to Palmers Oakeys challenge the sec reply to the effect that if a mixed team came from the Oakey a mixed team will be sent from here in return, (carr) W A Larnach

Pro by Mr C Tobin sec by Mr J Wilson that the minutes as read be adopted (carr)

Pro Mr J Tobin sec by Mr J Wilson that the new net be used for practice (carr)

Pro by Mr C Tobin sec by Mr Larnach that a call of 2/6 be made for tennis materials (carr)



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Pro by Mr J Tobin sec by Mr T Bayliss that a notice be written to the effect that when hitting a ball not in play from one end to the other end only a light hit be made. This notice be put up in the weather shed (carr)

1 doz ball

1 set of tapes

1 press for racquets

Pro by Mr G McKinnon sec by Mr T Bayliss that a week clear notice be given to those picked to play in a match (carr)

Pro by W Lewis sec by Mr C Tobin that the use of the court be granted to the Palmers Oakey T.C. for 3 matches against

Bathurst T. C. the Oakey Club to be responsible for any damage to the court or any thing pertaining thereto (carr)

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Call of 2/6 made on 4<sup>th</sup> Feb 14.

H McKinnon	2-6	W Wilson	2-6
Mr J Tobin	2-6	S Bayliss	2-6
Essie Tobin	2-6	Mrs C Tobin	2-6
W Bayliss	2-6	W Randall	2-6
Josey Bayliss	2-6	F Tobin	2-6
Mr J Wilson	2-6	S Wilson	2-6
Mr S McKinnon	2-6	C Bennett	2-6
W Lewis	2-6	Mrs Maint	2-6
Mrs Lewis	2-6	Mr B Tobin	2-6
Mr C Tobin	2-6	Mrs B Tobin	2-6
Mr Larnach	2-6	F Tobin (don)	5-0
S Larnach	2-6	Jessie Byers	2-6
		Mary Byers	2-6
		S Tobin	2-6

Balance of money 4-4 ½

Received 1-16-10 ½ Charles Tobin,

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Meeting held 30-1-15 at court.

Pro by Mr J Tobin seconded by Mr J Wilson that a call of 2/6 be made.

Call 30-1-15

Mr A Wilson	2/6	
Miss M Byers	2/6	
Miss J Byers	2/6	
Mr J Tobin	2/6	
Miss E Tobin	2/6	
Mr J Wilson	2/6	
Mr F Tobin	2/6	
Mr W Wilson	2/6	
Mr B Tobin	2/6	
Mrs B Tobin	2/6	
Mr G W McKinnon	2/6	
U Schofield	5/0	
Mr C Tobin	2/6	
Mrs C Tobin	2/6	
Mr Randall	2/6	
W Lewis	2/6	
Mrs Lewis	2/6	
Mr S Tobin	2/6	
Louie Tobin	2/6	
Ella Ingram	2/6	
Mary Tobin	2/6	
Alma Tobin	2/6	
Mr A McKinnon	2/6	
Frank Gorman	2/6	
Jack Gorman	2/6	
Mrs Ingram	2/6	
T Curtis	3/0	
J Byers	3/0	
*** Byers	3/0	3-19-6

Receipts		NEW PAGE	
£2	call	Expenditure	
10-0	call	bal on 1 doz balls	1-9
10-0	call	Tennis net	1-2-1
7-6	call	13/3/13 doz balls	17-6
3-0	membership T Curtis	Postage & Pound	1-0
3-0	membership A Tobin	14-2-16 1 doz balls	17-6
3-0	membership J Byers	Post & Pdge	1-3
3-0	membership Eulalie Wilson		3-1-3
3-19-6	Receipts	3-19-6	
	Expences	3- 1-9	
		18-3 cash in hand	
3-0	J Tobin (mem 14-2-16)		
3-0	M Lewis (mem)	6-0	
Cash in hand 1- 4-3		½ cwt hoop iron	£1- 4-6
		Carriage	9
			1- 5-3
Leaving debit of 1/-			

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Call made 29-10-16			
Mr A Wilson	2/6	.....	
Mr J Wilson	2/6		
Miss E Wilson	2/6		
Miss * Byers	2/6	paid 8-10-16	
Miss J Byers	2/6		
Mr F Tobin	2/6		
Mrs * Lewis	2/6		
May Lewis	2/6		
Mr Lewis	2/6	.....	
Mr W Wilson	2/6	paid 14-10-16	
Jim Tobin	2/6	paid 29-10-16	
Louie Tobin	2/6		
Jack Tobin	2/6		
Alma Tobin	2/6		
Mary Tobin	2/6	paid 5-11-16	
Ella Ingram	2/6		
Mr C McKinnon	2/6		
Mr John Tobin (snr)	2/6		
Essie Tobin	2/6	.....	

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Meeting 5-11-16

Pro by Mr C McKinnon sec by Mr L Wilson that Mr C Tobin be elected chairman (carried)

Pro by Mr Lewis sec by Mr H McKinnon that ??? be secretary (pro tern) (carr)

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Mr McGrath	2/6	Weathershed	2-15-9
Received 2/6 1-11-12 Charles Tobin		20-10-12	
W Schofield	3/-	Meagher	1- 5-5 ½
B Schofield	3/	Webb	1- 6-6
? Schofield	3/	Mockler	1- 7-0
P Dempsey	3/	six balls webb	9-6
C Bennett	3/	additions to	1-15-0
Cellac Kie	3/	the court	
Mr Randall	3/	six balls Edgley	8-6
Mary Tobin	3/	1 sheet iron	2 7 ½
Call	4-12- 6	1 net	17-6
Lil Gorman	3/	2 racquets	1- 5-0
Agnes Schofield	3/	½ doz tennis balls	8-6
Mrs Mayne	3/	mocklers	
S Larnach	3/	½ doz tennis ball	8-9
Louie Tobin	3/	½ doz tennis balls	8-6
		1 doz tennis balls	17-6

Mr Dunlop	3/	2 presses	7-0
Mr G Wilson	2/6	1 set tapes	
Mrs G Wilson	2/6	postage on above	2-3
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Mrs Dunlop	2/	1 doz tennis balls	17-0
Jack Gorman	3/	9 tennis balls	12-9
Ella Ingram	3/	1 hank gut	3-8
Alma Tobin	3/		16- 3- 1
Lil Gorman	2/6	15-11-14 1 doz balls	1- 1 0
Ethel Gorman	2/6		
Frank Gorman	3/	1 doz balls	19- 6
		1 net	1- 2 1

Balance sheet made out and accepted Jan 20<sup>th</sup> 15

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Meeting held 7<sup>th</sup> Feb 15

Pro C Tobin sec by Mr G McKinnon that Mr J Wilson be Chairman (carr) not accepted.

Pro W Randall sec by W Wilson that Mr J Tobin be Chairman. (carried)

Pro by Mr J Tobin sec by Mr J Wilson that the new net be purchased (carried).

Pro by Mr G McKinnon sec by Mr J Tobin that the secretary be paid for the net and the debit on 1 dozen tennis balls making a total of 1- 3-10 (carried)

Pro by Mr G McKinnon sec by Mr C Tobin that the last call made and any future call that may be made be paid within a month or the member be unfinancial. The month to date from to-day concerning the last call. (carr)

Pro by Mr Lewis sec by Mr Randall that the rule concerning members owing 5/- be unfinancial be struck out. (carr)

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Pro by Mr Randall sec by Mr W Wilson that an intermediate call be made at any time the secretary may think fit. (carr)

Pro by Mr W Randall sec by Mr C Tobin that Mr J Wilson be made a permanent member on the Selection Committee (carr)

Pro by Mr W Randall that a permanent practice captain be appointed sec by Mr C Tobin (carr)

Pro by Mr W Randall sec by Mr F Tobin that Mr J Wilson be practice captain (carr)

Pro by Mr C Tobin sec by Mrs Lewis that a vote of thanks be tendered to the Chairman (carr)

Pro by Mr Randall sec Mr J Wilson that a vote of thanks be tendered to the Sec. (carr)

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Pro by Mr Wilson sec by Mr W Wilson that the old racquets not used by the club be given to the school children (carr)

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Call			
Mr F Tobin	2/6	Mrs Larnach	2/6
Mr U Schofield	2/6	Mr P Tobin	2/6
Mr J Wilson	2/6	Mr T Wilson	2/6
Mr J Byers	2/6	Mrs T Wilson	2/6
Mrs Byers	2/6	Mr T Rourke	2/6
Miss U Byers	2/6	Mr B Tobin	2/6
Miss J Byers	2/6	Mrs B Tobin	2/6
Mr A Wilson	2/6	Ethel Gorman	2/6
Mr Grabham	2/6	W Wilson	2/6
Mrs Grabham	2/6	Miss * Rourke	2/6
Mr Bayliss	2/6	Jack Tobin Jr	2/6
Mrs Bayliss	2/6	Mr Din Tobin	2/6
Josey Bayliss	2/6	Mrs Din Tobin	2/6
Sis Bayliss	2/6	Mr Lewis	2/6
J McCudden	2/6	Mrs Lewis	2/6
Essie Tobin	2/6	Mr C Tobin	2/6
Mr J Tobin	2/6	Mrs C Tobin	2/6
Mr Larnach	2/6	Mr S Tobin	2/6
H McKinnon	2/6	Mrs Ingram	2/6
		Mr T McKinnon	2/6

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Meeting at Court March 23<sup>rd</sup> 1919

Proposed by Mr John Tobin sec by Mr John Wilson that the Limekilns Tennis Club have an annual subscription of 3/- payable in the month of January of each year and that any intermediate calls to be paid by the general players The general players to be approved by the Working Committee, any member joining after Jan will be charged 2/- till the end of the year (carr)

Selection Committee John Wilson, William Wilson, John Tobin Jnr, W Randall Emg

Working Committee John Wilson , William Wilson, John Tobin Jnr, John Tobin Snr, Fred Tobin, W Randall Emg. Carr

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Meeting at Tennis Court March 23<sup>rd</sup> 1919

Rules of the L T Club.

That no obscene language to be used within the hearing of the court and any one so doing penalty 2/6

That no member play two consecutive sets providing other members are present. That visitors be allowed to play under same conditions as members.

That when hitting a ball not in play only a light hit with the racquet be made.

That a weeks clear notice be given to those picked in a match.

That the L T C have an annual fee of 3/- payable in the month of January of each year and that any intermediate calls to be paid by the general players. The general players to be approved by the working committee.

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Hard to follow entries, some crossed out, mixed dates, but mainly pertaining to the purchase of tennis balls. 3 pages.

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10-9-22

1/- call made at tennis court, money received 14/6 Cash on hand 17/- 1-11-6 total

15-10-22

2/- call made at Tennis Court 24/- received, cash on hand then 9/6 making 33/6 altogether. 3/6 left after paying for balls. Donat of 21/- from Mr F N Pratley 22-10-22 leaving 24/6 on hand. Donat of 21/- from P Dempsey 28 . 10 . 22

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Expenses for 1924

Subscriptions	£3 - 3 - 0
1 ½ doz balls	2 - 5 - 0
Cash on hand	18 - 0 7 april
J Tooby subs ½ year	2 - 0
	£1 - 0 - 0
½ doz balls	10 - 0
Donation from Byers boys	4- 6
And A Schofield 4/6	14-6
½ balls	14-6
2 <sup>nd</sup> Aug cash on hand	nil
2/- call for balls 7-9-24	
Money received	£1 -0 -0
½ doz balls	14-3
½ doz balls	9-9

Cash on hand 6/- 14/9/22

Sold pair Ayres reject balls to Willow Dale 3/-

½ doz balls (29/11/24) 14/6----9/- leaves 5/6 owing

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Expenses for 1925

Subscriptions collected Jan 25 <sup>th</sup>	1-19-0
	Owe 5-6
	1-13-6
1 doz Wisden balls	1- 9-0
	4-6
Subs handed in Feb 7 <sup>th</sup>	10-6
	12-0
	1- 2-6
Subs received Feb 22 <sup>nd</sup>	3 -0
	1 - 5 -6
Half year subs received July 19 <sup>th</sup>	2 0
	1 - 7 6
½ doz Barnett glass balls	14 0
½ doz Barnett glass balls	13 0
½ year subs received Sept 6 <sup>th</sup>	2 0
“ “ Nov 6 <sup>th</sup>	2 6

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Expenses for 1925 cont		
Cash on hand	4 6	Nov 6 <sup>th</sup>
Score book	4	
	4 2	
	1 2 6	
	1 6 8	
1 doz Barnett balls glass balls	1 8 0	1 4 owing

# NEW BOOK

*This book is hard to follow, the start date is 29/10/16 and some of the entries relate to and are copies of the previous book, several pages at the start have been torn out, if they had information it is hard to say, but I will do my best to sort it out.*

(On inside cover)

A BYERS

Hon Secretary & Treasurer

Limekilns Tennis Club

18 10 23

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Up till 29/10/16 the expenses since the call were £4 6 3 and the receipts £4 5 3 which left 1/- debit

Meeting 29 – 10 – 16

Proposed by Mr C Tobin sec by Mr F Tobin that Mr J Wilson be chairman (carr)

Pro by Mr C Tobin sec by Mr J Wilson that a call of 2/6 be made (carr)

Pro by Mr G McKinnon sec by Mr C Tobin that a general meeting be held on 5/11/16 at the court to elect a new Sec. (carr)

Pro by Mr G McKinnon sec by Mr J Tobin that the sec be refunded the 1/- paid by him for the balance on hoop iron & carriage for same (carr)

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Call made 29-10-16

Mr A Wilson	2/6	.....
Mr J Wilson	2/6	
Miss E Wilson	2/6	
Miss M Byers	2/6	paid 8-10-16
Miss J Byers	2/6	
Mr F Tobin	2/6	
Mr W Lewis	2/6	
May Lewis	2/6	
Mrs Lewis	2/6	.....
Mr W Wilson	2/6	paid 14-10-16
Jim Tobin	2/6	paid 29-10-16
Louie Tobin	2/6	
Jack Tobin	2/6	
Alma Tobin	2/6	
Mary Tobin	2/6	paid 5-11-16
Ella Ingram	2/6	
Mr E McKinnon	2/6	
Mr John Tobin	2/6	
Essie Tobin	2/6	.....

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From 29 - 10 - 16

Receipts		Expenses	
Call up to 29;10;16 @ 2/6	1 7 6	Refund of 1/- from 29;10;16	1 0
5 11 16 @ 2/6	1 0 0	1 doz balls 1/11/16	19 3
	2 7 6		1 0 3
Leaving credit balance of	1 7 3	handed over To Mr C Tobin 4/11/16 by Mr Lewis	

John Byers	call	2 6	
Nellie Tobin	call	3 0	1 doz balls 24/3/17
Balance on presentation		1 3	Postage & poundage
Charles Tobin	2-6		1 0 1
Annie Tobin	2-6		

Mrs C Tobin	2-6
Frank Gorman	2-6
S Tobin	2-6
G B McKinnon	2-6
W Byers	2-6
Ethel Gorman	2-6
Lilly Gorman	2-6
J Gorman	2-6

2 19-6

Less 1-0-10  
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1-18-8

1 18-8

Frank Tobin	3-0
W Randall	3-0
George Wilson	3-0
Ewen McKinnon	3-0
Roy Ferguson	3-0
Ronnie Ferguson	3-0
Chas Ferguson	3-0
Reggie Tobin	3-0
Lock Sinclair	3-0
Chas Hancock	3-0

stamps 1 0

1 doz ayres balls 1 5 5

3 8 8

Stanley McKinnon 3 8

March 20th 1918 1 doz Ayers balls 1 6 6

May 30<sup>th</sup> 1918 1 doz Ayers balls 1 6 4 ¼

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Meeting at the court 16/8/18

Receipts since last meeting 5/12/9

Expenses since last meeting 6/5/1 ½

Proposed by Mr J Wilson sec by Mr H McKinnon that Mr Fred Tobin be Chairman (carr)

Proposed by Mr G B McKinnon that the secretary be paid 4/9 for bolts sec by Mr J Tobin (carr)

Proposed by Mr W Randall sec by Mr Fred Tobin that a call of 2/6 be made (carr)

Proposed by Louie Tobin sec by W Wilson that Mary Tobin be secretary for the club (carr)

Proposed by W Randall sec by J J Tobin that the secretary be paid the 7/7 ½ debit balance (carr)

Proposed by W Wilson sec by Nellie Tobin that J J Tobin be on the Selection Committee (carr)

Proposed by W Randall sec by F Tobin that W Wilson be on the Selection Committee (carr)

Proposed by Mr A Wilson sec by Mr Fred Tobin that W Randall be on the Selection Committee (carr)

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Proposed by Mr W Wilson sec by Nellie Tobin that the floor be tarred (carr)

Meeting closed 5 P M

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From 16<sup>th</sup> /6/18

Receipts

Expenses

W Randall	2-6
G B McKinnon	2-6
Ewen P McKinnon	2-6
Fred Tobin	2-6
James Tobin	2-6
Hughie McKinnon	2-6
Ella Ingram	2-6
William Wilson	2-6
C Tobin	2-6
Mrs C Tobin	2-6
Annie G Tobin	2-6
Reggie Tobin	2-6
Jessie Byers	2-6
Mary Byers	2-6
Eulalie Wilson	2-6
William Byers	2-6
John Byers	2-6
John Tobin	2-6

to Mrs C Tobin 16/6/18 12 4 ½



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Essie Tobin	2-6	
Alex Wilson	2-6	
Louie Tobin	2-6	
Frank Tobin	2-6	
John J Tobin	2-6	
Alma Tobin	2-6	
Nellie Tobin	2-6	
John Wilson	2-6	
Mary Tobin	2-6	
Emmet Tobin	3-0	
C Ferguson 23 June 1918	2-6	
R Ferguson	2-6	
Stan McKinnon	2-6	
L K Sinclair 1 <sup>st</sup> July 1918	2-6	
L McKinnon	3-0	
Total up to 8 Sept 1918	4 3 6	Total up to 8 <sup>th</sup> Sep 1918 12 4 ½
This leaves on 8 <sup>th</sup> Sep 1918 a balance of 3 11 1 ½		

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A meeting held at the court 8<sup>th</sup> Sep.

Proposed by W Randall sec by Mr J Tobin that Mr Fred Tobin be chairman (carr)  
Proposed by Mr Fred Tobin & (carr) decided that we purchase a new net not to exceed 35/-  
Proposed by Mr Fred Tobin sec by Mary Tobin that the Limekilns Club has colours. (carr)  
Proposed by Jessie Byers that we select purple and gold second by Alma Tobin (carr)  
Proposed by J Tobin seconded by H McKinnon that each person wishing to wear colours purchase their own and wearing be left to their own choice.  
Proposed by Jessie Byers that the colours be worn in two stripes seconded by Mr K Wilson (carr)  
Proposed by Mr C Ferguson seconded by Mr L McKinnon that the colours be worn 3 inches in length and 1 inch in width (carr)  
The majority are in favour of having a tournament (carried)

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Receipts		Expenses	
Charles Hancock	2-6	1 doz balls Ayers & Slag	1 8 6
Athol Tobin	3-0		
Charles Marshall	3-0	poundage	6
Hilton Morgan	3-0	3 yards calico	3 4 ½
Bob Byers	3-0		
Artie Morgan	3-0	1 doz Ayers balls	1 7 6
Lou Tobin	3-0	postage	1 0
Percival Dempsay	3-0	poundage	6
F Tooby	3-0		
G Wilson	2-6	1 doz Ayres balls	1 6 0
		Postage on same	1 0
		Poundage	8
		Feb 5 <sup>th</sup> doz balls	1 3 0 ½

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H Tobin	2-6	Jack Tobin	2-6
J Tobin	2-6	Les McKinnon	2-6
W Randall	2-6	Mrs C Tobin	2-6
Athol Tobin	2-6	Mr C Tobin	2-6
Bob Byers	2-6	Annie Tobin	2-6
E Wilson	2-6	Reggie Tobin	2-6
Frank Tobin	2-6	Stan McKinnon	2-6
E McKinnon	2-6	Louie Tobin	2-6
Johnnie Tobin	2-6	Mid Tobin	2-6
Elsie Tobin	2-6	Jessie Byers	2-6
Mary Byers	2-6	Jack Byers	2-6
Billie Byers	2-6	G Wilson	2-6
W Wilson	2-6		
Alma Tobin	2-6		
Nellie Tobin	2-6		
Lou Tobin	2-6		

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Lime Kilns Tennis Club 16<sup>th</sup> Feb 1919

Proposed by Me Randall & sec by Mr J Tobin that we make a 2/6 call (carr)

Pro by J Tobin sec W Wilson that C Tobin be paid 10/7 owed to him

Pro by Mr W Randall sec Mr J Wilson that sec be paid ¾ ½ owed

Meeting closed

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Call made 16<sup>th</sup> Feb 1919

Receipts

Fred Tobin	2-6
Jimmy Tobin	2-6
W Randall	2-6
Athol Tobin	2-6
Bob Byers	2-6
E Wilson	2-6
Frank Tobin	2-6
E McKinnon	2-6
Johnnie Tobin	2-6
Essie Tobin	2-6
Jessie Byers	2-6
Mary Byers	2-6
Jack Byers	2-6
Billie Byers	2-6
J Wilson	2-6
W Wilson	2-6
Alma Tobin	2-6
Nellie Tobin	2-6
Lou Tobin	2-6

Expenses

own to Mr C Tobin	10-7
own to M Tobin	3-4 ½
postage on balls	6

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Jack Tobin	2-6
Les McKinnon	2-6
Mrs C Tobin	2-6
Mr C Tobin	2-6
Annie Tobin	2-6
Reg Tobin	2-6
Stan McKinnon	2-6
Louie Tobin	2-6
Mid Tobin	2-6
Ronnie Ferguson	2-6
H McKinnon	2-6
Ella Ingram	2-6
Hilton Morgan	2-6
Ortis Morgan	2-6
Charles Marshall	2-6
T B McKinnon	2-6
A Wilson	2-6
Total receipts March 23 <sup>rd</sup>	4 10 0

Total expenses March 23<sup>rd</sup> 14 5 ½

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Aeg Schofield	3-0
Wall Schofield	3-0
Les Healey	2-0
Fairy Hodges	2-0
Ursol Schofield	2-0
George Bender	2-0
Emmett Tobin	2-0
	5 6 0

1 doz balls	1 15 0
postage & poundage	1 2 ½
October 15 <sup>th</sup> 1919	
9 tennis balls	1 6 3
18 <sup>th</sup> Decn 1 doz balls	1 16 0
Stamps	6
	5 13 5

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28 3 20

Received from (sec) F Tobin £3 4 1 cash in hand. The following proposed

(sub com) Jessie Byers, E Wilson, Louie Tobin, (Treas) ?? Byers (sec) E Ingram

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Meeting at Limekilns court 18<sup>th</sup> Jan 1920, membership fee 3/0 per anum

	Receipts	Expenses	
William Wilson	3-0		
Ewen McKinnon	3-0	stamps	6
Ella Ingram	3-0		
Mr Johns	3-0		
W Randall	3-0		
John Tobin senior	3-0		
John Byers Junior	3-0		
Jessie Byers	3-0		
Mary Byers	3-0		
W Byers	3-0		
W Byers	3-0		
C Hancock	3-0		
J Wilson	3-0		
G Bender	3-0		
Eulalie Wilson	3-0		
Fred Tobin	3-0		
James Tobin	3-0		
Alexander Wilson	3-0		
Alf Schofield	3-0		

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Ewen McKinnon	3-0
Annie Tobin	3-0
Bob Byers	3-0
Les McKinnon	3-0
Proposed by Mr W Wilson seconded by J Tobin that Ella Ingram be secretary (carried)	
Proposed by G B McKinnon that Mary Byers be treasurer (carried)	

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Members for the year 1920

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W Wilson	
E McKinnon (Senr)	E McKinnon Jnr
E Ingram	R Ferguson
Mr Johns	G McKinnon
W Randall	Athol Tobin
J Tobin (Senr)	Annie Tobin
J Byers (Jnr)	B Byers
Jessie Byers	L McKinnon
Ln Byers	J Tobin (jnr)
W Byers	A Tobin
C Hancock	N Tobin
J Wilson	L Tobin
G Bender	M Tobin
E Wilson	U Schofield
F Tobin	S McKinnon
J Tobin	A Schofield
A Wilson	

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Meeting at Tennis Court Membership Fee 3/- Ja 30 1921

W Wilson	3-0
J Wilson	3-0
J Byers	3-0
W Byers	3-0
M Byers	3-0
J Byers	3-0
E Wilson	3-0
J Tobin senr	3-0
H McKinnon	3-0
S McKinnon	3-0
R Ferguson	3-0
C McKinnon	3-0

E Ingram	3-0
A Schofield	3-0
S Healey	2-0
B Byers	2-0
H McKinnon	2-0
A Tobin	2-0
G Bender	2-0
W Ryan	2-0

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## Members for Year 1922

E McKinnon senr	3-0	E Wilson	3-0
W J Wilson	3-0	E Ingram	3-0
L Healey	3-0	Jess Byers	3-0
J Byers	3-0	A Byers	3-0
W Byers	3-0	A Tobin	3-0
G Bender	3-0	N Tobin	3-0
J Tobin senr	3-0	M Tobin	3-0
A N Wilson	3-0		
R Byers	3-0		
A Schofield	3-0		
L McKinnon	3-0		
S McKinnon	3-0		
T Byers	3-0		

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## Annual Subscriptions 1923

J Tobin	3-0	Jess Byers	3-0
H McKinnon	3-0	E Wilson	3-0
Jack Byers	3-0	M Byers	3-0
L McKinnon	3-0	E Ingram	3-0
W Byers	3-0	Jess Tobin	3-0
A Schofield	3-0		
A Wilson	3-0		
B Byers	3-0		
J Wilson	3-0		
W Wilson	3-0		
G Bender	3-0		
W Leabrook	3-0		
P Dempsey	Hon Mem	F Pratley	Hon Mem

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## Annual Subscriptions 1924 M T Byers Sec

F Pratley	Hon Mem		
P Dempsey	Hon Mem		
J Tobin	3-0	Jessie Byers	3-0
J Byers	3-0	E Wilson	3-0
A Schofield	3-0	M Byers	3-0
W Byers	3-0	Miss Churches	3-0
R Byers	3-0	E Ingram	3-0
G McKinnon	3-0	Jessie Tobin	3-0
H Tooby	3-0	W J Wilson	3-0
W W Wilson	3-0	A N Wilson	3-0
G Bender	3-0	H Churches	3-0
F Tobin	3-0	E Churches	3-0
J Tooby half year	2-0	H McKinnon	3-0

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## 2/- call for balls 7/9/24

A Schofield	2/-		
W G Wilson	2/-	Jessie Byers	2/-
W Byers	2/-	N Byers	2/-
E Churches	2/-	E Wilson	2/-
H Churches	2/-	Jessie Tobin	2/-
R Byers	2/-	J Tobin	2/-
J Byers	2/-	H Churches	2/-
W W Wilson	2/-	H Tooby	2/-

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## Annual Subscription 1925

A N Wilson	3/-		
J Tobin	3/-	Jessie Byers	3/-
W J Wilson	3/-	Eileen Churches	3/-
J Byers	3/-	Mary Byers	3/-
W Byers	3/-	Jessie Tobin	3/-
E Churches	3/-	Mrs Cole	3/-
R Byers	3/-	Meba Churches	3/-
B Cole	3/-	Eulalie Wilson	3/-
G Bender	3/-		
H Churches	3/-		
W Wilson	3/-		
A Schofield	3/-		
J Tooby	3/-		
A Cuffley	2/- (half year)		
H Tooby	2/- (half year)		
C Marshall	2/- (half year)		

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## 2/6 call for balls Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> 1925

E Churches	2/6	Jessie Byers	2/6
J Tooby	2/6	M Byers	2/6
R Byers	2/6	Jessie Tobin	2/6
W Byers	2/6	J Byers	2/6
J Tobin	2/6		

£1 2 6 received



TENNIS c1922.

DENNIS TOBIN FAR RIGHT. MARY TOBIN 3RD FROM RIGHT  
PAT IN THE MIDDLE.

## WAR SERVICE

I have searched all records of war service, and found 6 that were born and or lived at Limekilns.

### WW 1

#### **PATRICK ARTHUR McEVOY**

Regimental number	493
Religion	Presbyterian
Occupation	Labourer
Address	c/o Patrick McEvoy, Lime Kilns, New South Wales
Marital status	Single
Age at embarkation	30
Next of kin	Father, Patrick McEvoy, Lime Kilns, New South Wales
Enlistment date	3 January 1916
Rank on enlistment	Private
Unit name	3rd Pioneer Battalion, B Company
Embarkation Roll #	1411511
Embarkation details	Unit sailed Melbourne, Victoria, on board HMAT A62 Wandilla on 6 June 1916
Rank from Nominal Roll	Private
Unit from Nominal Roll	3rd Pioneer Battalion
Fate Returned to Aust	23 May 1917 (Hearing problem)

#### **SURNAME.**

#### **CHURCHES HERBERT ERIC**

REGIMENTAL #	747A
RANK	L/C
UNIT	17 <sup>th</sup> BATT
D.O.B.	1895
P.O.B.	PEEL
P.O.E.	SYDNEY
D.O.E.	24-8-1916
N.O.K.	Herbert Wallace Churches (father)
NOTES.	Served in Europe, wounded in action, remained on duty,
MEDALS	14/15 Star. British War Medal. Victory Medal.

### WW 11

#### **CHURCHES, HAROLD FRANK (Tom)**

Name	CHURCHES, HAROLD FRANK (Tom)
Service	Australian Army
Service Number	21981 (NX34404)
Date of Birth	22 Apr 1919
Place of Birth	LIMEKILNS, NSW
Date of Enlistment	18 Jun 1940
Locality on Enlistment	LIMEKILNS
Place of Enlistment	PADDINGTON
Next of Kin	CHURCHES, HERBERT
Date of Discharge	9-Dec 1942
Rank	Private
Posting at Discharge	2/20 Battalion

#### **CHURCHES, JACK RUSSELL**

Name	CHURCHES, JACK RUSSELL
Service	Australian Army
Service Number	N195638
Date of Birth	30Sep 1917
Place of Birth	BATHURST, NSW
Date of Enlistment	12 Nov 1941
Locality on Enlistment	LIMEKILNS
Place of Enlistment	BATHURST
Next of Kin	CHURCHES, HERBERT
Date of Discharge	7 Jan 1946
Rank	Gunner
Posting at Discharge	102 TK ATK REGT



Full Name: **GIBSON HARRIET ALICE** (Married Jim Tobin)  
Service Number: 97617  
Category of Service: Women's Auxiliary Australian Air Force  
Employment: Clerk Stores  
Date of Enrolment: 9 May 1942  
Date of Enlistment: 30 March 1943  
Date of Discharge: 14 June 1946  
Rank on Discharge: Corporal  
Postings:  
2 RAAF Recruit Centre Sydney 09-05-1942  
2 W.A.A.A.F Depot Robertson 09-05-1942  
2 Stores Depot Waterloo 04-06-1942  
2 Aircraft Park Bankstown 15-05-1944  
5 Operational Training Unit Williamtown 11-02-1945  
2 Stores Depot Waterloo 07-01-1946  
1 Personnel Depot Ransford 27-05-1946  
Attachments:  
3 RAAF Hospital (non-effective) Concord 13-08-1943 to 09-09-1943  
3 Aircraft Depot Amberley 29-01-1945 to 06-02-1945  
5 W.A.A.A.F Depot Penrith 12-08-1945 to 24-08-1945  
6 RAAF Hospital Heidelberg 21-05-1946 to 12-06-1946  
Honours and Awards: War Medal 1939-45 Australia Service Medal 1939-45 General Service Badge

SURNAME. **WOOD ARCHIBALD GILMOUR VIRTUE**  
SERVICE AUST. ARMY  
REGIMENTAL # NX9326  
RANK MAJOR  
D.O.B. 29-04-1906  
P.O.B. BROOKLYN NSW  
P.O.E. SYDNEY  
D.O.E. 22-12-1939  
N.O.K. WOOD. MARY  
REMARKS WAR CORRESPONDENT.

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JAMES PATRICK TOBIN 9-12-1847  
died 10-9-1903

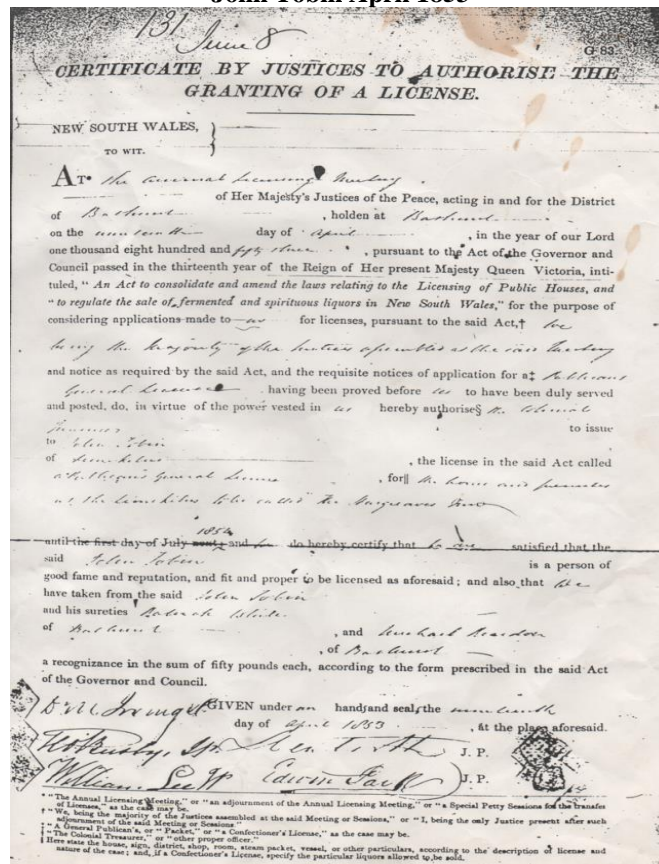
There are no records to be found. Maybe he was involved in a local reserve unit.

# LIMEKILNS LICENCED HOTELS

<b>1852</b>	Duncan McKinnon	The Limekilns Inn	<b>1861</b>	Duncan McKinnon	The Limekilns Hotel
<b>1853</b>	Duncan McKinnon	The Limekilns Inn		Samuel Taylor	The Rising Sun Inn
	John Tobin	The Hargraves Inn	<b>1862</b>	Samuel Taylor	The Rising Sun Inn
<b>1854</b>	Duncan McKinnon	The Limekilns Inn	<b>1863</b>	Samuel Taylor	The Rising Sun Inn
	John Tobin	The Hargraves Inn	<b>1864</b>	Samuel Taylor	The Rising Sun Inn
<b>1855</b>	Duncan McKinnon	The Limekilns Inn	<b>1865</b>	Samuel Taylor	The Rising Sun Inn
	John Tobin	The Hargraves Inn	<b>1866</b>	Samuel Taylor	The Rising Sun Inn
<b>1856</b>	Duncan McKinnon	The Limekilns Inn	<b>1867</b>	Samuel Taylor	Morning Star Hotel
	John Tobin	The Hargraves Inn		Lawrence Kearney	The Globe Tavern
<b>1857</b>	Duncan McKinnon	The Limekilns Hotel	<b>1868</b>	Samuel Taylor	The Rising Sun Inn
	John Tobin	The Hargraves Inn	<b>1869</b>	Samuel Taylor	The Rising Sun Inn
<b>1858</b>	Duncan McKinnon	The Limekilns Hotel	<b>1887-1895</b>	Thomas Tobin	The Rising Sun Inn
	John Tobin	The Hargraves Inn			
<b>1859</b>	Duncan McKinnon	The Limekilns Hotel			
	Samuel Taylor	The Rising Sun Inn			
<b>1860</b>	Duncan McKinnon	The Limekilns Hotel			
	Samuel Taylor	The Rising Sun Inn			

*1856/1858 Lawrence Kearney had a hotel in Sofala and he opened The Globe Tavern in 1867 at Limekilns. This was 500m on the Kelso road up the hill from The Rising Sun, I think at some stage it became known as "Kilgobbin Castle",*

## John Tobin April 1853



REGISTER OF THE NATIONAL ESTATE "RISING SUN INN" Record Identifier: 916 Location: Limekilns Rd, Limekilns

**Local Government: Bathurst Regional State: NSW Country: Australia**

**Statement of Significance:**

The former Rising Sun Inn reflects some of the key characteristics of wayside inns during the nineteenth century period. (Criterion D.2) The pise and brick former inn together with the slab outbuildings and nearby wattle and daub hut show a rich diversity in vernacular building materials and methods. (Criteria A.3 and B.2) Having catered to the local goldfields traffic, the building, located between Bathurst and the Upper Turon area, is historically significant owing to its association with this important industry and historical phase. (Criterion A.4)

**Description:**

The central section of the former Rising Sun Inn is built of pise and is understood to have been erected in about 1851, possibly by a Mr Taylor. From 1868 to about 1900 the building was extended in rendered brick by Taylor's son-in-law, Mr Tobin, and the building was operated as licensed premises. Trading to the local goldfields traffic, the building is historically significant for its association with this important chapter of the region's history. The building is about 24m in length and consists of a row of main rooms, with small skillion rooms behind. Running along the front is a veranda which has end rooms built of rendered brick; the veranda posts are chamfered and the roof is of the broken back form. The building's main roof is hipped and clad with iron and there are three simple yet stout chimneys. With its predominating length and veranda with end rooms, the former Rising Sun is a good example of a wayside inn of the period. There are several doors opening off the veranda and windows are twelve pane. Apart from the bar, all doors are of the ledge type, and there are many original fittings inside the building. A large detached kitchen has two fireplaces and a cooking crane. The barn, hayshed and stables are all built of slab, and there is also a wattle and daub hut. A small graveyard nearby has headstones dating from the 1860s



## TELEPHONE

When the P M G connected the telephone to Limekilns I am not sure but the following appeared in the press of 27-3-1908. *A telephone is also required. Mr. Stewart applied for a private wire, but was departmentally informed that he'd have to plank down £720 for it.*

17-05-1912      A meeting with reference to telephonic communication to this place was held at Mr. B. Tobin's on Saturday night. There was a good roll up and it was decided that the work be carried out. Mr. Carr, M.P. is doing all possible for the residents in reference to this.

26-05-1920      NA      TELEPHONE SERVICE      Mr. S. Nicholls M.H.R has received the following from the P.M.G Department Advirting to my communication of February 11, 1920 relative to your representations in regard to the desired establishment of telephone service between Wattle Flat and Limekilns I have to intimate that an application has been received from residents of Limekilns for the erection of a party line from Mr. McLean's residence at Limekilns to Peel post-office, and action is now proceeding in connection therewith.'

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.

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 "Wunar" Peel (at the junction of Prymonts Lane/Limekilns Rd) found out that Frank Tobin of Limekilns was on the line. Arthur and Frank did not see eye to eye regarding sheep studs, so a war of words started, lasting almost a year.

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".

So the line through Pratleys was pulled down and a new one erected from Hollybrook school site to a half Km of the Clear Creek road turnout.

To save travelling the Oakey crew camped at "Alice Dale" and as they progressed closer to Bathurst they (including Frank Tobin) camped in the old Hollybrook School.

Frank Tobin had a line to "Alice Dale" Limekilns and one to his Property on the Clear Creek.

There was also a local party line.

00-10-1959      Automatic telephone service connected through R A X at Limekilns.

## LIMEKILNS POST OFFICE 1861 - 1930

Messrs John and Archibald McKinnon, in July 1861 wrote to the Post Master General to the effect that there was a large population at Limekilns who would benefit greatly if a post office was established and mail carried on horseback from Peel once a week. They nominated Hugh McKay as a fit and proper person to take charge of the office. His referees were G. E. Wise and Dr Machattie both of Bathurst. William Cummings also supported Mr McKay's appointment. Another correspondent advised that Limekilns was on the main thoroughfare from Browns Hill, Sydney Road to Sofala. This route was about to be proclaimed a public road as soon as mapping was complete. -

Hugh McKay opened the post office on 1st August 1861 but resigned in October 1862 because his business commitments elsewhere meant he was not attending to postal business as he should. However by January 1863 his resignation had not been acknowledged and he begged to be relieved of duties.

Samuel Taylor who had become postmaster on 11th March 1863 recommended the local school teacher as postmaster, but this avenue terminated when the teacher closed the school and left the neighbourhood. 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 that a site 1 ½ miles north would be more central to the population. Mr William Cummings M.P preferred the schoolteacher option, if possible while Samuel Taylor supported by Dennis Gaynor defended the manner in which the office had been run at the public house. The building was 100 feet long with the Taylors private residence separating the inn from the post office. He indicated the support of W.H.Suttor, M.L.A, J.B.Suttor M.L.A and Dr Palmer.

Lawerence Kearney took up duties as post master on 1st January 1869, on the recommendation of Wm Cummings whose reason for support was the central position of Mr Kearney's property. He was P.M. 69-70, and 74-76.

In February 1870 Samuel Taylor wrote from 42 York St Sydney recommending his son Samuel, age 26 and married, as postmaster if one were required. Lawrence Kearney did tender his resignation shortly after, but by this time John W. Fitzgerald had restored stability at the Limekilns school and requested the appointment as postmaster. As the school was the only other central locality, Fitzgerald was appointed in May 1870. His sureties were John and Patrick Carey, both farmers of Limekilns.

By 1873, Fitzgerald had accomplished the purpose for which he had been appointed schoolmaster at Limekilns, that was to rebuild the attendance at the school and he too was ready to move on.

Mr William Cummings was again ready with a recommendation, this time in the person of John McCudden, who he felt was more central to the population and would remove the cause for complaints received. McCudden's date of commencement was set at 15th January 1873 and his allowance was £10 per year. His sureties were Wm Cummings M.P freeholder, Clear Creek, and Dennis Donnelly, miller, Peel. He resigned in 1874 and Lawrence Kearney was re-appointed after enlisting the help of Wm Cummings.

It soon became evident that better postal facilities were expected by the residents of Limekilns. A bi weekly service from Wattle Flat instead of a weekly service from Peel was favoured by Catherine Read, Patrick Gorman and Charles Y. Smith. A petition supporting this proposal plus the transfer of the post office to a situation nearer the school was signed by the following residents:-

John McKinnon, Edward O. Kerr, Lachlan McKay, E.P. McKinnon, Hugh McPherson, John Rourke, John Chapman, Thomas Force, R.O. Kerr, Patrick Devlin, Robert Bruton, Francis McAlare, James Peet, Thomas Price, John Carey, Samuel Riley, A McKinnon, Frederick McKinnon, Fred Beek, Patrick Gorman, John Gorman, Henry McCudden, George Ball, Frances McCudden, Thomas Southall.

This list was challenged by postmaster Kearney who believed that the signatures were those of people who were not residents of Limekilns. He pointed out that the school was in the centre of R.O. Kerr's 1000 acres which meant that there would be no increase in population in that immediate locality. He believed that a bi weekly service from Peel would be more beneficial.

In February 1875 a letter was received from John Tobin who had been the mail contractor for 10 years. He would be penalized to the extent of 6 extra miles a day if the post office was relocated. He was prepared to provide an extra delivery from Peel each week as long as the post office remained where it was. The following people who described themselves as legitimate residents of Limekilns supported this proposal.

L. Kearney, G. Hopper, James Tobin, James Ryan, William Bell, William Bell Jnr, John Bell, Patrick Tobin, John Tobin Jnr, Henry Horace Kearney, M. McEvoy, John McEvoy, Edward McEvoy, John Atkins, William Atchison, Robert Hudspeth, Walter Hudspeth, John McCudden, E Simpson, Thomas Tobin, Louisa Tobin, Margaret Tobin, John Tobin, Mary Tobin Jnr, Mary Tobin, Margaret Tobin, Thomas Tobin Jnr, William Smith, James Tobin, William Bulloch, John Tobin, Simon Tobin, John Smith, Henry McCudden.

In May 1875 postal inspector Mr Buchanan indicated that the post office should be at the school under the control of schoolmaster John McDonald and John Tobin refused to convey mail from Wattle Flat to Limekilns. Mr Cummings also bought into the argument stating that there was a migratory population of gold seekers living about 8 miles from Peel and only 2½ miles from the present post office, on upper Clear Creek, who would be seriously affected if it was moved to the school. James McDonald forwarded a petition from the residents of Clear Creek Goldfields explaining that they would be seriously affected if the Limekilns Post office was moved.

Mr Cummings again wrote in September 1875 to the effect that Mr Buchanan's recommendation should not be adhered to as he was a perfect stranger to the district. Mr Cummings believed that the removal of the post office to the school would be an injustice to the people living between Peel and the present post office. About the same time tenders were called to convey mail from Wattle flat to Limekilns.

Mr W. H. Suttor then added his influence to that of Mr Cummings and the tender of Mr Chippingdall was accepted to take mail from Peel to Limekilns twice a week. About a week later the realization that he would be obliged to wait at Limekilns for 6 hours for the return mail caused Mr Chippingdall to ask to be relieved of his contract.

The post office was removed to the school but John McDonald could not accept the position because of his transfer to Teapot Swamp. The new teacher Mr Peter Walsh took up duties as postmaster 8th January 1876.

For the next few years the only ripple to disturb the smooth operation of postal affairs at Limekilns was an objection to mail times at the centre. Henry McKean assumed the responsibilities of the post office in 1877 when he replaced Peter Walsh as schoolmaster. Hamilton Hume was postmaster from 1884 until he resigned as schoolmaster in 1893. Mr Fred C Harrison of "Dulcis Vale" was then appointed but continued to operate the post office from a room at the school which had become half time. This annoyed the teacher Mr Cox and Mr Harrison was asked to vacate the schoolroom. This, Mr Harrison did vowing never to come back even if he was allowed.

Harrison resigned at the end of 1894 as he was leaving "Dulcis Vale" and recommended William Foord, who with his brother was taking over the property. Wm Foord commenced duties as postmaster in January 1895, handing over to John Foord in October.

In October of 1897 "Dulcis Vale" was sold to Mr Stewart of "Mount Pleasant" and his manager was not available as postmaster. The only suitable residence was that of Thomas Tobin and he was appointed to act as postmaster in November 1897. This was an appointment that did not sit well with John McKinnon, who felt that he should have been chosen. He alleged inconvenience to the public due to the post office being located 2 miles away from the central position.

On the 17th September 1909 Alice Murphy reported the death of Thomas Tobin, and as she had been his assistant for years she was prepared to take control. She was Thomas Tobin's stepdaughter.

18-10-1909 BT Clear Creek and Limekilns Mail. The following communication from the Postmaster General has been forwarded to us by Mr. E. S. Carr, M.H.R.: Adverting to your letter and petition presented by you some time since from Messrs. W. A. Larnach, A. Seabrook, and other residents of Limekilns via Bathurst for the discontinuance of the twice a week horseback mail service between Peel and Clear Creek via Limekilns and the re-arrangement of the six times a week coach service between Bathurst and Sofala, to run on alternate days via Peel, Wyagdon, and Wattle Flat and via Peel, Limekilns, and Wattle Flat, I have the honour to inform you that inquiry has been made, and to forward for your information the attached report in regard to the matter submitted by the Deputy Postmaster General, Sydney, from which it will be seen that the petitioners proposals are not warranted by circumstances.

2. With regard to the Statement In the petition under notice that the present service to Limekilns is a horse mail, consequently the residents cannot get parcels by post, I may mention that 3.lb. parcels are conveyed by horse back mail services.

EXTRACT FROM report. The services affected are as follows:

West 95, Bathurst and Sofala, via Peel and Wyagdon, 28 miles, six times a week; buggy or coach, £96 per year; terminable 31/12/09.

West 99, Peel, Limekilns, and Clear Creek, horseback, twice a-week, £62 per annum. terminable 31/12/10.

The first-named service (W.95) is portion of a main mail line Bathurst to Mudgee, via Peel, Wattle Flat, Sofala. Hargreaves, and Hill End. If the deviation, asked for were granted, It would still be necessary to include Clear Creek P.O., but all mention of this is omitted from the petition To do this it would be necessary for the coach, after arriving at Limekilns, to double back three miles, the route now followed by the horseback service being along a bridle track which the coach could not travel. The additional distance would thus be six miles, and at the rate of £3 8s 6d per mile, would involve an additional expenditure of £20 11s, while, on the other hand, if the services Peel to Limekilns. were discontinued the expenditure in that connection, £52 per annum, would be unnecessary; the latter service, however, does not terminate till 1910, and could not at present be interfered with.

The total number of settlers at Limekilns and Clear Creek who would slightly benefit by the proposal is 25, while 14 householders, who are living on the existing route between Peel and Wattle Flat, 14 miles would be deprived of a service three times a week and would no doubt strongly object to the alteration. As already pointed out, the Bathurst Sofala line is portion of a main mail service, from Bathurst to Mudgee, and the contractor for the Sofala-Mudgee section is required to reach Mudgee in time to meet the mail train; if an additional distance of six miles had to be travelled the contractor would require at least an hour longer; this would delay the Sofala-Mudgee line, and as the mails are now delivered at Mudgee about 5.15, and the train mails close at 6.30, the delay of an hour would not allow sufficient time for the sorting of correspondence by the Sofala-Mudgee coach before the closing of Sydney and other mails. Irrespective of this it is not the usual custom to deviate main mail lines running between important country centres. There are no places of business at Limekilns, but there is a public school. The persons represented on the petition are scattered about the locality in various directions. The estimated revenue from the line is - £42 6s 4d per annum. I have made inquiry and ascertained that to provide a sulky service, Peel to Limekilns, via Clear Creek, the present contractor would require an additional £10 per annum on account of the extra distance he would have to go, through the present route not being suitable for vehicular traffic; this would increase the cost of the service to £62 per annum, but seeing the revenue is estimated at only £42 6s 4d per annum the increased-expenditure is not warranted.

Miss Murphy resigned in 1910 and Mrs Mary Barnes a daughter of Thomas Tobin, who had experience in the post office became postmistress. After only a few months Mrs Barnes resigned and the schoolteacher Mr W. R. Lewis was appointed returning the post office to the school after almost 20 years. The extra money required by the mail contractor Mr Dempsey to extend the mail run to the school was £6 added to the £56 per annum already charged. The postmaster's allowance increased to £13/10/- per annum in 1914.

Following the resignation of Mr Lewis in November 1916, Charles Tobin, 42 years old, was engaged and remained in control of the post office until January 1920 when Mr Ewen McKinnon was appointed with Miss Marcella Letitia (Ella) Ingram as assistant. This was a very short lived appointment because the position was again up for grabs after 4 weeks. Preference was to be given to a returned soldier but none were interested so Lachlan McLean was appointed and took up duties 1st March 1920. By mid April the office was again vacant leaving the way open for George Busby McKinnon to assume control 1st May 1920.

The following names appeared on a form of approval to move the post office to G. B. McKinnon's residence.

Edward Grabham Grazier Limekilns, Ella Seabrook Apiarist, Alexander Wilson Grazier, John Byers Apiarist, W.J. Wilson Apiarist, Dennis Tobin Grazier, Thomas Byers Miner, Ewen Ferguson Grazier, Charles Ferguson Grazier, Ewen McKinnon Miner, H. Moore Labourer, L. H. McKinnon Labourer, Jessie Tobin Grazier, John Tobin Apiarist, Thomas J. Tobin Farmer, Samuel Armour Builder, Patrick Tobin Labourer, Joseph Tobin Grazier

October 1923 Mr McKinnon resigned and recommended Mr Herbert Churches who was taking charge of property and would be living in the same house. Mr Churches, who was born at Raglan, began duties on 1st November 1923. By October 1930 it was realized that only 4 families were being served by the post office. Motorised transport, while not being within financial reach of many, during the years of the great depression, was becoming an accepted part of daily life making roadside deliveries of mail a satisfactory alternative. The 4 households affected Churches, Ryan, Seabrook and Miss Tobin.

The Limekilns post office closed on 1st November 1930.



**LIMEKILNS SCHOOL 1858 - 1929.**



LIMEKILNS SCHOOL 2016



SECOND SCHOOL (Near cross roads) 2016





**Limekilns School 1915. Teacher Mr William. Lewis.**

Back Row.(L to R) Bert Lewis, Emmitt Tobin, Lou Tobin. Annie Tobin. Nellie Tobin. May Lewis.  
Front Row. (L to R) Joe Tobin. Bill Byers. Reg Tobin. Andy Tobin. Jackie Lewis. Tom Tobin.

**A lot of these notes are traffic between Limekilns and The Council of Education.**

16-07-1858 Mr B M McCann , Organising Master of National Schools , Western District, Bathurst reported.

“Site not yet decided on. Local patrons decided to apply to the Rev. Mr. Stewart of Bowenfels , the owner of 1000 acres of land in the immediate neighbour hood for a site for a National School, which, if granted, would be central, healthy, and convenient to wood and water.”

“The persons that have consented to act as local patrons under the direction of the Board are all respectable intelligent and industrious farmers. It was proposed to add Rev. Mr. Bowes and to elect him as local secretary. ( *Mr. Bowes was Wesleyan Minister at Sofala* ) . Messrs. McKinnon and McKay , Presbyterian holders of land in the vicinity as tenants. Messrs. Daly and Sullivan, Roman Catholic and occupy considerable freehold.”

“Probable muster of pupils. Nine families in the immediate neighbourhood with on the whole 36 children. A prospect of a rising population. Thirty expected to attend sometime or another with an average of from 15 to 20.”

“Building. No arrangements concerned. Should Rev. Stewart be agreeable, a schoolroom and teacher dwelling attached will be built of slats, lathed, plastered, shingled and lined with calico. Schoolroom to be 20 feet by 14 feet, with masters sitting room attached 14 feet by 16 feet. Affix to rear of building, 3 rooms 7 feet wide . Nothing definite done by anyone.”

12-10-1859 . Mr Samuel Taylor would give use of house for 2 years . Would be non-vested school until then. There would be 45 children within 1 ½ miles. 29 promised at once to attend .Mr Joseph Taylor would be quite capable of taking charge of the school. He was newly arrived from England and applied for teachers job. Married, age 39 , born Old Kent Road , Surrey , Religion Independent.

## Local Patrons to be.

John Bowes	Sofala	Wesleyan
Hugh McKay	Limekilns	Presbyterian
William ?	Limekilns	Church of England
Samuel Taylor	Limekilns	Wesleyan
James Daley	Limekilns	Roman Catholic

- 19-10-1859 Application for non-vested school at Limekilns.  
Mr Oliver Lowe appointed teacher, not married, age 45, born Livingstone, England. Religion, Church of England. Not trained. Board advised that funds were not available to assist at this stage.
- 16-01-1862 B. Bank Larovorso advises death of Mr Lowe and buried that afternoon.
- 18-01-1862 Mr Samuel Taylor, Hon Sec. non vested school at Limekilns Peel, advising prolonged illness of teacher Mr Lowe. Requiring advice on future action.
- 12-02-1862 Samuel Taylor advises disappearance of Mr. Ellis Leigh, replacement teacher and require another to be appointed.
- 04-03-1862 Samuel Taylor enquires about appointment of teacher and advises that a young man by the name of John Hume, son of the teacher at Wattle Flat would be an agreeable choice
- 10-03-1862 Samuel Taylor advises that local patrons have engaged Mr Hume and are satisfied with his performance. School having closed for some time. Children are suffering.
- 04-04-1862 Sydney advises that expenses for Mrs Scott and maid to Sydney approved. Six pounds eight and six.
- 04-04-1862 Mrs Scott agrees to stipulation by Board of National Education to work for at least 2 years after receipt of travel expenses.
- 27-06-1862 Local Patrons, Samuel Taylor, Hugh McKay, James Daley, advise their satisfaction with Mr & Mrs Hume as teachers and are happy with their moral character.
- 22-10-1862 Mr Hume renews request to attend training school. Local Board has sent him to Sydney and Mrs Hume was conducting school in his absence.
- 27-12-1862 Samuel Taylor advises that local parents intend to effect improvements to the school as requested by Inspector.
- 12-02-1863 Samuel Taylor writes that Mr Humes report that he closed school because of poor attendance is unfounded, the reason being that Mr Hume has beaten the children unmercifully and parents refused to send them .The local patrons still require a school and urged the appointment of a suitable teacher. Improvements pointed out by the Inspector had been completed.
- 28-02-1863 Samuel Taylor reiterates that Mr Hume the cause of low attendance at school. A gentleman from Wattle Flat wants teachers job.
- 1 ??? 1863 Mr Hume explains his side of it.
- 28-08-1863 Samuel Taylor writes esquiring about teachers salary. Two returns sent but no salary received. Married man with six children and aged mother to support.
- 04-05-1864 Samuel Taylor informs local patrons and prepared to accept Mr Phelan as teacher. Advises day coach to Bathurst, leave luggage at Mr Graynor's Royal Oak Hotel and walk out to Limekilns, 16 miles. Mr Phelan unmarried, age 24, born Ireland.
- 12-05-1865 Mr Robertson reports that local patrons cannot agree on school site. Will inform board when decision is made.
- 18-05-1865 Letter from Wm. Cummings requiring the erection of a school at Limekilns. A nonvested school there for sometime. However an increase in population. Present premises not big enough. A meeting held Sat. March 4th, James Daley in the Chair. Moved that a new school be erected as soon as possible.
- 28-05-1865 Letter in same vein and explaining that many children were being kept home because the rain had made land plough able.
- 14-06-1865 Teacher requires salary 8 Jan 1866. Samuel Taylor writes to enquire about commencement of building. Suggests that it may be cheaper now than at any other time because a lot of men are out of work at Limekilns.
- 08-01-1866 Samuel Taylor sends draft for 67 pounds 16 shillings and 10 pence towards erection of school at Limekilns.
- 16-05-1866 Samuel Taylor indicated that a start cannot be made erecting school until a decision on where to build is made. The Rev. Colin Stewart is prepared to sign over 2 acres, provided there is no expense to him. Should they wait for board surveyor or should local patrons pay cost out of money collected .
- 22-06-1866 Samuel Taylor says that Rev Colin Stewart will send deeds in a couple of days.
- 13-07-1866 Samuel Taylor reports that a Government surveyor will measure school land.
- 22-10-1867 Requisition for materials at Limekilns Public School signed H. Breadow, teacher.
- 06-11-1867 B T On Friday last the foundation stone of a new Public School was laid at the Limekilns by W. Cummings, Esq M.L.A., on the special invitation of the inhabitants The honorable gentleman spoke pointedly and elequently, urging the parents to educate their children and dwelling with unusual energy on the duty and necessity which required them to use their best exertions, to raise funds the support of the school. He deposited in a receptacle in the stone. before it was fixed in its place a bottle containing a copy of the latest number of each of the Bathurst newspapers and several coins of the present currency.

After the ceremony the honourable gentleman was invited to partake of a luncheon at Mr. Kearney's, Globe Tavern, where his health was proposed by Mr. S Taylor, seconded by Mr. J. McKinnon, and drunk with great enthusiasm. Mr. Cummings replied in a speech of considerable length, in which he dwelt upon his career as a representative, and explained the principles upon which he uniformly acted; and took occasion to recommend his constituents to be very careful when next they were called upon to elect a representative not to choose one who, when he went into the House, would take his seat in a corner, and never venture to express an opinion upon any question. Mr James Daley twitted the honourable member with what he considered to be one of his gravest faults namely his vote in favour of a double duty on tea; in reply to which Mr. Cummings said he was very happy to find Mr Daley had no worse fault to find with him after a period of eight years public servitude.

18-01-1868	Mr Thomas Mc Grane, Contractor, informed Council of Education on progress of school building.
24-01-1868	G Allen Mansfield , Architect agrees to alterations to school building.
25-01-1868	G. H. Breadow applies for allowance for rent similar to the 18 pounds a year allowed in 1865 30 Jan 1868
	Architect changes mind on hearing that good stone is available locally for a start
04-02-1868	Samuel Taylor applies for further advance for contractor
14-02-1868	Edward Gill replies to council that he will be glad to undertake the duty of surveyor and his charge will be 3 guineas for said visit.
27-02-1868	Edward Gill drew attention to Council of the absence of a fireplace in school house and pointed out that winter at Limekilns were as cold as in England. There was an abundance of firewood within yards of school.
27-02-1868	Samuel Taylor says contractor is making good progress.
18-03-1868	Mr Mansfield Architect, agrees to fireplace.
08-04-1886	Teacher complains of insufficient salary and allowance and requests more or removal to a better situation, otherwise he will resign
20-04-1868	Mr McGrane, Contractor, feels that due to progress of building, he should be entitled to a further payment. total amount contracted 481 pounds 5 shillings.
20-04-1868	Samuel Taylor says that contractor cannot proceed with work until further instalment is paid.
28-04-1868	Samuel Taylor writes that the teachers fees are very small and that as soon as the schoolhouse is finished in about a month, the burden of rent will be removed. There were difficulty in finding a room sufficiently large and centrally reheated to hold school in.
09-05-1868	Present schoolroom needed by people who kindly placed it at the teachers service. Requests what action to take while awaiting completion of new school.
18-06-1868	Samuel Taylor acquaints Council that he will make available free of charge a room that is in every way suitable until new school is finished. Roman Catholic portion of attendance refuse to use present place of school.
04-07-1868	Teacher advises that room is no longer available and that due to contractors insolvency, the new school is not finished.
04-07-1868	Samuel Taylor advises that difficulties have arisen because of contractor's insolvency and sureties have been required to finish building. Doors and sashes and other materials have been purchased at insolvency sale.
31-08-1868	Ed. Gell reports several faults in finished building.
31-08-1868	Teacher advises that he cannot get more than 12 children to school and because of low school fees cannot meet his expenses. He feels that were a Roman Catholic teacher be appointed the attendance would rise. Members of board do nothing to assist him in raising attendance.
7 Sep 1868	Letter from Inspector McCreabe re position at Limekilns school. Roman Catholic clergy will not allow children to attend school. He wonders whether such influences should force the removal of teacher and feels that in the circumstances, the teacher should be protected.
21-09-1868	Teacher sends bill for rent of residence and advises that he is responsible for rent of present schoolroom and will close school unless advice is sent.
07-11-1868	Certificates from Dr Machattie and John McKinnon, member of school board that Mr Beardow is too ill to continue duties.
26-11-1868	John McKinnon describes himself as only acting member of school board at present and wonders if certain deviations from school plans will be acceptable to Council. Mr. McCredie furnished good report on condition of new school.
26-12-1868	McCredie and McKinnon inspect school and discuss defect.
26-12-1868	Samuel Taylor acknowledges word of teacher appointment.
28-12-1868	Mr McCredie saw no objections to making final payments to Contractor and opening the school in New Year.
06-04-1869	Letter from John D Fitzgerald, teacher requiring salary
29-04-1869	Samuel Taylor writes to Council defending charges made by Mc Kinnon re completion of new school.
14-05-1869	Mr Taylor explains why there is no fireplace.
17-05-1869	Fitzgerald closes school for purpose of bringing family from Bathurst.

08-06-1869 McKinnon obliged to pay 34 pounds 4 shillings 1 pence as guarantor for new school.  
 03-07-1869 Request for stove for school.  
 24-07-1869 Allan Mansfield advises purchase of stove for 3-18-0  
 23-08-1869 Stove taken to Limekilns but carrier refuses to deliver when teacher could not pay freight 2-2-0. Carrier said he would take it back to One Tree Hill (Mt Victoria) .but left it at a neighbouring Public House.  
 21 10 1869 Stove damaged in transit.  
 17 11 1869 Stove still causing concern.  
 27 12 1869 Report after 1 year of operation. Mr McCredie observes that there is no possibility of anything being contributed locally towards completion of fencing at school .Must remain as is for present .Also there are no persons locally eligible for appointment to school board.

#### School Note 1869

Month	C of E.	R.C.	Presby.	Total
March	1	25	5	31
June	2	28	7	37
Sept	1	26	7	34
Dec	-	26	7	33

Decline in number due to lambing, washing and shearing. Long distances and creeks prevent some children attending regularly, but children who live near the school don't come for the usual run of lame excuses. Mr Tobin declines to send his children to any but a Roman Catholic denominational school, yet keeps a governess who is a Protestant. Mr Fitzgerald reports that he has not received either countenance or assistance from any members of local board. Many children grow up and those that could attend are uncertain and desultory .John A Fitzgerald still the teacher.

29-12-1869 No likelihood of locals contributing to cost of fence. If Council does not meet whole cost, must remain as is .  
 02-01-1870 Cattle and pigs constantly on school grounds.  
 02-01-1870 Mr Fitzgerald explained that he was asked to specifically come to Limekilns to overcome a problem, which as far as the Roman Catholic children were concerned, he felt he had. He now believes that he has a good claim for removal. He described his wife's bad health and need to be near her Doctor in Sydney and the high cost of food at Limekilns compared to Bathurst as reasons for leaving  
 04-01-1870 Mr McCredie recommends that Mr Fitzgeralds name be placed on list for removal. He is Roman Catholic, married, age 45.  
 11-01-1870. Letter to the Editor SMH from RC Bishop of Bathurst. Bathurst, Henry Parkes, Esq , M L A.

With reference to the above correspondence I may remark, that Mr. Parkes's letter, I suppose from not having been posted sufficiently early on the 1st instant, could not possibly reach me before the morning of the 4th, as no mails leave Sydney on Sunday. He had my reply on the morning of the 5th, and, consequently, no time to modify, alter, or make any verbal changes in his letter appearing in your columns on the 6th. How characteristic of Mr. Parkes, with my note before him, to represent me as appalling to the Council of Education the term "swindle" as the "proper appellation" regarding certain transactions in reference to the Public school at the Limekilns. Misrepresentation of this kind is exactly what I call " holding me up to the derision of the public " As Mr Parkes thought fit to follow the order of my remarks, I shall observe the same mode of procedure in reply.

First, then as regards the Limekilns school He has given his version of it Suppose it to be true Has he been able to connect my name with it, except in the most indirect way, as the specified recipient of the amount expected to be reimbursed by the Council of Education, at the request of the contributors What grounds, then, had he for " holding me up to public derision in this particular case - Did he act similarly with the other bishops because a clergyman under their jurisdiction thought it his duty to oppose the establishment of a Public school in the heart of a Catholic population What right had he to single me out for public obloquy – Does not this, his own version, show the very thing that I undertook to prove in my speech -

But Mr Parkes's version of the Limekilns school is not correct A person unacquainted with the facts of the case "would imagine, from his letter, that the Limekilns was, for the first time, visited by the genius of education when the Public Schools Act came in to operation. Yet, for years before that date the National Board had established a school there At several times an effort had been made to erect a suitable schoolhouse and master's residence Some time before the Public Schools Act passed a fund was raised for this laudable purpose to this fund the Catholics subscribed, and this was the money that they subsequently demanded back from the Council of Education Mr Parkes states that, on May 24, nearly five months after the Act came into force, the parents at the Limekilns made formal application for a Public School. He says that, on the 6th of August following, he got a letter from the secretary of the Local Board stating that a meeting of the Catholics was convened by the Rev. Mr. Walsh and that only six Catholics, representing ten children, voted for a Denominational school "whilst the most influential of the Catholic community present voted for a Public school. Shortly after, continues Mr Parkes, the greater number of the Catholics wrote demanding back their money. Exactly so The people of the Limekilns had constituted a body or committee to collect funds for a National school. Some of them found out that the trust was abused and the money misapplied They then called a meeting, and demanded back their money, which had been forwarded to the Council of Education for a Public school But Mr Parkes states that

at this meeting there were only six Catholic parents representing ten children, present, and that the most influential of the Catholics voted for a Public school There were at that meeting Catholics representing upwards of thirty children, all but one of those Catholics, representing four children, voted for a Public school There were four Protestants at the meeting, and two of them voted with the Catholics for a Catholic school That this is the true version is evident even from the document quoted by Mr Parkes in support of his view of the case They knew well they had long before subscribed money for a National school They heard that this money had been handed over to the Council of Education without their sanction or concurrence They at once reclaimed. We hereby (they say in addressing the Council) wish and direct our names (if placed on the petition signed by the residents of the Limekilns for the erection of a Public school in that locality) to be forthwith cut off. Why should there be any "ifs" about the matter If they subscribed for a specific object, such as the erection of a Public school, they surely would have remembered it If they put their names down, or authorised them to be put down on the list how could they have any doubts on the point ' Why, then, this strong indignant expression on their part to have their names ' forthwith cut off ' if they had been put on why?. Because they heard that the money contributed long before by them and others had been handed over to the Council of Education at the instance of the few who were in favour of the new educational broom that was to sweep the cobwebs of ignorance from every nook and corner of the land In their simplicity no doubt, like many more, they preferred the old broom that had done them good service, and they refused to acquiesce in the arrangement made for the acquisition of the new article

Mr Parkes tells us that all went on smoothly until Father Walsh had called a meeting of the Catholics. The reason is that all went on smoothly until the Public Schools Act came into operation Previous to this all was harmony on educational matters at the Limekilns. After the passing of the Act did not the Council send up a teacher, who, owing to the opposition of the Catholics, never mustered over eleven at attendance And was not the Council finally forced to compromise with that arch enemy of social progressed education-the Bishop of Bathurst-to the extent of supplying this school with a Catholic teacher

I will not conclude this portion of my letter with the offensive question Mr Parkes thought fit to put to me, but I hope the impartial public will see with me that it was quite unbecoming the Colonial Secretary of the day and the President of the Council of Education, to hold up to " public derision a Prelate of the Roman Catholic Church, on such an unworthy pretext.

With regard to the second fact, that Mr Parkes held me up to " public derision ' by stating that I compelled the Catholic children to withdraw from the Fryingpan Public school, Mr Parkes states" Now the facts in this case, as they appear in the records of the Council of Education, are these The teacher re-ported to the Council on the 17th of July, 1867, that the Roman Catholic bishop had written a letter directing that the Catholic children should leave the school, and that the Rev Mr Walsh had visited the school to ascertain the number of Catholic children in attendance if its a fact then that Mr Parkes publicly held me up to derision in his place in Parliament on the authority of a letter from a teacher, who was ten months afterwards dismissed for immorality. Could there be a stronger proof of Mr Parkes unworthy treatment of me than he here affords himself Have I given any half so strong?.

I now inform you, Sir, that I never penned such a document, and I claim it as a right that this teacher s letter be erased from the records of the Council of Education Mr Parkes states that ten months intervened between the removal of the children from the Fryingpan school and the dismissal of the teacher, and consequently fails to see any connection between them If he will kindly recur once more to the records of the Council of Education he will find that the cause of the teacher's dismissal was the appearance of a baby, this his will enable him to connect the two periods-ten months asunder, and furnish him with a cause for the withdrawal of the children. I will not trouble the public with the reprint of a letter written at the time by the parents of the children in question denying the truth of the allegations made by Mr Parkes in Parliament Mr Parkes insinuates that I blamed the Council because a teacher proved himself immoral I did nothing of the kind I am prepared for an occasional lapse amongst any large body of men I know full well the great and peculiar difficulties teachers have to contend against I fear they seldom obtain that sympathy either from the country or the Council of Education which they deserve. In the present instance I would have preferred to lie under the imputation of Mr Parkes charge, had I not learnt, on the best authority, that the teacher and his family had left the country

Before I come to the third case I may be allowed to make a word of explanation to our Protestant friends It is a rule of the Catholic Church that all Catholic children before their admission to the Sacrament of Confirmation must know the compendium of Christian knowledge as contained in the Catholic Catechism. Now, in Protestant schools Catholic catechisms can-not be expected to be taught, whilst in the Public schools, their teaching-except under circumstances that cannot ordinarily be availed of is prohibited by law Where a Catholic school, therefore is established, it is the only place where this necessary knowledge can be obtained, and it devolves as a sacred duty on the Bishop to use all the means in his power to enforce on parents the obligation of sending their children to such schools This is one of the many reasons why a bishop insists, where he has a Catholic school, on making parents send their children there And now to Mr Parkes and my Lenten Regulations

Mr Parkes will not see the difference between these two propositions -

1st Dr Quinn prohibits the children of his flock from frequenting Public schools

2nd Dr Quinn prohibits the children of his flock from frequenting Public schools where Catholic schools are established Well then, to what purpose argue with him on the subject. In challenging instances of maladministration of the Act Mr Parkes says,-" Dr Quinn makes a number of allegations in the latter part of his speech against the administration of the Public Schools Act which are too indefinite for anyone to lay hold of them " Too indefinite, indeed ' Has not Mr Parkes have the official letters at his command ?. I have already informed him that the report of my speech did not contain all

that I said, I mentioned some of these allegations in detail Mr Parkes took up well nigh a column and a half in commenting on what was of no earthly interest to the public, dis-missing with a few vague cursory remarks that portion of my speech specifying cases of maladministration of the Act

As this letter is already too long, I shall not further refer to these special cases, and especially as I hope to have an opportunity before long of proving them before a Parliamentary board of inquiry. In the last paragraph of his letter Mr Parkes says -" The Inspector of the Bathurst district is Mr M'Creadie His district contains considerably over one hundred schools, and extends from the county of Camden to the Darling River Is it possible that Bishop Quinn expects this officer, who may be 300 miles distant, to start at once to inspect any small school which he establishes " Bishop Quinn would expect nothing of the kind" He considers it little less than cruel on the part of the Council of Education, with its £100 000 at command, annually, to leave such an immense district to one inspector Why not supply an assistant" Surely the machinery ought to be commensurate with the requirements of the work to be done The law should, at all events, be carried out, if it even entailed on the Council the expense of a few additional inspectors, and failure in this regard argues incompetency on the part of its administrators. What Bishop Quinn would expect is, that where Provisional schools have been established and in good working order, payments of salary should be made from the date of employment of teachers by the local Boards. If the inspector will not or cannot attend when due notice is served on him of the working of such schools, that is no reason why the poor teacher should go for five months without his salary. As the Council's regulations make it impossible for the inspector to visit these schools, and that without such visitation no salary will be granted, I believe that in this particular case of schools, the Council is open to a serious and well sustained charge of maladministration of the law.

Mr. Parkes says I selected the occasion of distributing prizes to a Denominational school to attack him and the Council of Education. I selected the occasion to defend myself before parents who had read his attacks on me.

Will Mr. Parkes ever see things in their proper light ?.

I am, Sir, your faithful servant,

MATTHEW QUINN,

Bishop of Bathurst. Bathurst, January 8.

- 07-03-1870 Mr Fitzgerald requests installation of stove.
- 04-04-1870 Mr Fitzgerald requests permission to become Post Master when Mr Kearney, present Post Master retires .Martin Roach installs stove for 1-10-0
- 02-05-1870 Fitzgerald requests permission to sue John McKinnon for unpaid school fees amounting to 1-16-6 for 15 months tuition to 2 of his nephews .
- 03-05-1870 Letter from John Ross, Limekilns Road complaining of abuse by teacher concerning his reluctance to send his daughter to school. Mr Ross considered himself a good Irishman and a good Catholic.
- 09-01-1872 Teacher John Fitzgerald died age 51 at Limekilns
- 10-01-1872 Inquest into John Fitzgeralds death held in school house.
- 06-03-1875 John Tobin states the disapproval of the board at Mr McDonnell's proposed removal and replacement by Miss Atkins as a female teacher would be the means of decreasing the attendance which is now up to standard.
- 13-03-1875 John Tobin Sec of school board requests the use of the schoolroom for an entertainment to raise money for repairs to same and also to dispose of the stove which is useless. They need to erect a proper fireplace as the children suffer acutely from the cold in winter. Application was granted but the Board was reminded that Council objected to dancing in public school buildings.
- 02-04-1875 R O Kerr, member of school board, offered to give sufficient bricks to build chimney if he was given the stove in exchange.
- 10-04-1875 John Tobin advises that should the offer of Mr Kerr be accepted, there is now enough money to erect chimney.
- 04-05-1875 John McDonnell wonders wether his appointment to Tea Pot Swamp has been confirmed as he wants to go before cold weather sets in.
- 08-05-1875 Inspector Allpass recommends erection of chimney.
- 29-05-1875 John McDonnell applies for Hartley Vale in consequence of ill health of his family. J.W.Lambton of the General Post Office advises that the school teacher be appointed Post Master
- 00-07-1875 Teacher advises that acting as Post Master will not interfere with school duties.
- 16-08-1875 Mr McDonnell applies for position at Peel.
- 9 Oct 1875 Message from Inspector Wilkins to effect that teacher for Limekilns not available. Should be R.C. and married without children.
- 14-11-1875 Mr McDonnell asks to remain at Limekilns rather than go to Tea Pot Swamp where Scarlet Fever is prevalent
- 01-12-1875 P.M.G. states that since Mr McDonnell has been removed from Limekilns, is it intended to appoint somebody in his place. It is desirable that the Post Office be entrusted to the school teacher
- 26-10-1877 R.O.Kerr writes for Limekilns Public School Board re specifications and tenders for repairs to school, 17 Pounds, Sueities were James Shelley, farmer and grazier of Limekilns, and Walter Hudspeth, farmer and grazier of Limekilns. A tender from Henry Horace Kearney for 20 pounds.



The following were named as Board Members.

Thos. A Cummings F & G Hollybrook, Thomas Tobin, John McKinnon.

24-03-1880 R.O.Kerr Chairman of School Board advises that he has erected a pump at Limekilns Public School.

28-09-1881 Inspector Allpass recommends down grading school because of poor attendance.

00-03-1882 Parents request erection of weather shed.

00-03-1882 School resumes . List of Parents.

R O Kerr, John Newman J.P., John Rouke, Patrick Chifley, Henry Melton, Francis McCudden, Thomas Melton, J A Wilson, Walter John Wilson, Jas Bell, Patrick McEvoy, John McEvoy, Edward McEvoy, William Atcheson, Archibald Munianor, Frederick Munianor, John Hume, W Hume, Thos Hume, James Selley, Thomas Tobin, James Tobin.

22-03-1882 Letter from parents to Hon. Francis Bathurst Suttor, enlisting his help to have weather shed and water supply at school. They were informed that the Limekilns school did not warrant the outlay for a weather shed, that there was a classroom that is seldom used, which can readily afford shelter. That it is not apparent what steps can be taken to make the water supply stand the effects of a protracted drought.

R.O.Kerr replied that for 17-5-0 a very reliable well could be sunk at a depth of 23 feet and bricked as well. The Department replied that there was already a well on the playground and the average attendance of 20 did not warrant further expenditure.

00-09-1883 A quote for deepening the well to depth of a permanent water supply 80 pounds , Mr Robert Wilson 63 pounds and John Atkins 57 pounds .

00-12-1883 Measles prevalent.

24-01-1884 Children kept at home for harvest.

08-02-1884 Hamilton Hume, teacher recommends his sister to teach needlework.

00-02-1884 New 3 rail fence proposed for school.

00-05-1884 Margaret Melton applies for remission of school fees because of loss of crops.

00-06-1884 Mr Hume engages his sister to teach needlework.

09-03-1885 A petition stating that while Limekilns had a fine school house and comfortable residence, there is no where for children during their playtime. Signed by the following:-

Hamilton Hume, John McKinnon, Samuel Taylor, Thomas Tobin, James Hume, John Atkins, Archibald McKinnon, John Ferguson, David Munro, James Tobin, Alfred Sinclair, Alexander Wilson, Patrick McEvoy, John McEvoy, Alfred Bowie, F McCudden, Hamilton Ray, John Lowe, James McKay, A McCudden, Randolph McCudden, Henry McCudden, George Smith, Henry Melton, W J Melton, William Atcheson, John Rourke, Henry Potts, Thomas Potts, Patrick Chifley,

21-11-1888 Thomas Tobin wrote that the spare classroom was used as a Post Office and the children were turned out into the burning sun for lunch which was not a fit place for cattle to be.

00-02-1889 Hume informed that a new colonial oven had been installed at the school. Cost 18/6.

14-05-1889 Hume applies for extra room, stating that at present there is only one room. Granted.

01-08-1890 Reg Brett, Church of England Minister at Sofala applies to hold service in school one Sunday a month.

00-05-1893 Parents could not guarantee teachers salary. There was no prospect of attendance improving.

28-06-1893 Patrick Chifley, Russell St., Bathurst wrote to Mr.F B Suttor stating that the rumoured closing of the school should be avoided as it would place the children who did attend at great disadvantage.

28-07-1894 Dullaberry, Wheatfield, and Limekilns schools being run on a half time basis by William F Cox .

28 09 1894 Fred H Harrison wrote that all postal equipment and possessions had been removed from school premises. New fence needed to prevent stock straying onto school land and pupils trespassing on neighbouring land.

10-12-1894 Limekilns,Wheatfield and Dullabree ranking as a House to House School

00-00-1894 Charges of drinking against teacher Mr Cox, resulting in death of young man called McKinnon. There was an inquiry by Mr McCredie.

00-05-1897 Limekilns operating again under guidance of Mr A G Rubie.

08-06-1897 Application to occupy school building and land from Walter Seabrook of St Ives, Gordon. In reply, Inspector McKenzie said that school was not closed but used half time with Dullaberry but could see no objection to request. There was reference to Mr Seabrooks character from Mr H Rawes Whittell Sec. of the National Domotological Society. Mr Seabrook was a beekeeper

10-12-1897 Letter from Mr Rubie, teacher , advising that Mr Seabrook had not taken possession and recommended Mr Hayes .

28-01-1898 Mr Rubie reported that Mr Hayes had taken possession on 24-1-98

00-03-1898 Limekilns and Dullaberry operating as half time schools. Limekilns residence rented to Mr Hayes. Limekilns school operating in old building near Mr Stewarts.

22-01-1904 Mr. Alfred Rubin, who has been for some time in charge of the school at Limekilns, has been appointed to Glanmire.

00-07-1904 Inspector McKenzie recommended that Limekilns be closed and Dullaberry be half time with Upper Turon. Miss Phillips as teacher.

- 10-06-1907 Mr L Blumer felt that there would be better support for a school at Limekilns as Hayes and a new arrival Larnach would be only ones that would make any effort. Had the various branches of the Tobin Family, who all lived within 2 miles of the school displayed even moderate anxiety about their children's education, the school would probably not have closed. Their interest does not seem to have increased meanwhile. Mr Blumer unconvinced that school would attract a regular attendance of 10. 4 years ago it had been operating half time due to indifference of parents.
- 00-06-1907 W. A. Larnach submitted the following names as being of school age .
- |                 |   |                |
|-----------------|---|----------------|
| Thomas Tobin    | 1. Ester Harriet.                         | Roman Catholic |
| Florence Tobin  | 1. Harriet Annie Louisa                   | "              |
| Mary Tobin      | 4. John, Mary, Alma, Nellie               | "              |
| Margaret Byers  | 3. Jessie, Mary, John                     | C of E         |
| Mrs James Tobin | 2. Alice Harriet Margaret, Francis Thomas | R. C.          |
| W.A.Larnach     | 2. Stanley Lorn, Archie Mandham           | C of E         |
| C.H.Ingram      | 1. Marcella L                             | Presbyterian   |
| H Hayes         | 4. Evelyn G, Annie E, Charles, Kathleen L | C of E         |
- 09-11-1907 John Miller J.P. requests action.

*Limekilns.*

December 12th, 1907.

No. 1907/12209.

*Forwarding Petition for re-opening of above.*

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith a petition, addressed to you, from the residents of the Limekilns in connection with the re-opening of the Public School in that District, which I received with a covering letter from Mr. Larnach this morning.

Hoping that you will give the same your consideration.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

*John Miller*

*Mr. Senior Inspector Blumer*  
*For enquiry and report*  
*J.C.I.*

The Hon. The Minister for Public Instruction,  
Sydney.

*2/12/07*

*14.12.07*



Linickilus.  
 Petition for re-opening School.  
 To the Honorable  
 The Minister of Public Instruction  
 Ottawa



Sir,

We the undersigned residents of Linickilus respectfully request that you will have the Public School at Linickilus reopened.

Since the School was closed several years ago the number of children in the district has increased and we would urge that the reopening of the School is a most necessary step.

We are

Yours respectfully

Names of Parents	Names of Children	Age
Henry Tobin	John Tobin	10 years
	Mary Tobin	8
	Alma Tobin	7
	Ellen Tobin	5
	Louisa Tobin	3

James Tobin	Alice Tobin	8
	Francis Tobin	6
	Andrew Tobin	3

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Benjamin Tobin	Edna Tobin	2	8 months
Catherine Ingram	Marcella L. Ingram	7	years
John Gorman	Lillian Gorman	9	years
	Francis Gorman	7	years

William Larnach	Stanley Larnach	8	years
	Archie Larnach	6	"
Michael Tobin	Emmet Tobin	4	years
Mrs. Jas Tobin	James Tobin	5	years
M. A. Tobin	Annie Tobin	6	years
"	Reginald Tobin	2	years 6 months
Thomas Tobin	Esther Tobin	11	years 10 months
Thomas J. Tobin	Harriett Annie Louisa Tobin	7	years

Dulcis Vale  
Limethilus  
12 June 1908

Mr J. Miller M.P.  
Bathurst

Sir

Since the reopening of  
the School at Limethilus, in February  
last, as a half time school, the  
number of children on the roll has  
increased to 21, and I was informed  
by our teacher, Mr Lewis, the average  
attendance is 20.

Such a good attendance should entitle us  
to a full time school, and I think if  
you would kindly bring these facts  
before the Department for Public Instruction,  
that you would be greatly assisting us  
in having the school changed to full  
time. If our teacher could bring  
his family to live here. The number  
of children would be increased by  
three, independent of a few children,  
who will soon be old enough to attend

X But it would be impossible for  
him to bring his family here until  
the teachers residence is repaired, as it  
is a good stone building this should  
not cost a great deal, as the floors  
would probably be the only part needing  
repairs.

Trusting you will assist us in having  
the half time school at Limethilus,  
changed to full time. I remain

Yours faithfully  
W. A. Karmach

13-12-1907

PARENTS	CHILDREN	AGE
Dennis Tobin	John	10
	Mary	8
	Alma	7
	Louisa	3
	Ellen	5
James Tobin	Alice	8
	Francis	6
	Andrew	3
Benjamin Tobin	Elma	2 & 8 months
Catherine Ingram	Marcella L	7
John Gorman	Lillian	9
	Francis	7
William Larnach	Stanley	8
	Archie	6
Michael Tobin	Emmet	4
Mrs James Tobin	James	5
Mrs C Tobin	Annie	6
	Reginald	2 & 6 months
Thomas Tobin	Esther	11
Thomas J Tobin	Harriet Annie Louisa	7

01-02-1908 Limekilns and Hollybrook opened as half time schools. They are 6 miles apart.

12-06-1908 W. A. Larnach wrote from Dulcis Vale Limekilns to Mr J Miller J.P. that since the school had re-opened on a half time basis, that the roll had increased to 21, average 20, and that such attendance should warrant full time school. If teacher was in residence, this would increase by four, but impossible to live there in the buildings present state.

00-08-1908 Resume Closed for some time prior to 1908

10-08-1908 LM LIMEKILNS PUBLIC SCHOOL.

Mr. J. Miller, M.L.A., has received the following from the Department of Public instruction: "Referring to your letter of the 15th June ult., forwarding a letter from Mr. A. Larnach, Dulcis Vale, Limekilns, via Bathurst, urging that the school at Limekilns be worked full time, I am directed to inform you that, having caused inquiries to be made, and a report furnished by the local Inspector of Schools, the Minister of Public Instruction has decided to convert the half-time school at Limekilns to a full-time one."

11-09-1908 Provisional school, Mr Lewis teacher.

05-02-1909 Interviewed last Saturday in Bathurst, Mr. Bray, whose tender was accepted for to the school and residence, said he was likely to be out any day. his tender was accepted some six months ago and as he says— must have been humbugged by the department in the necessary papers, Meanwhile the children still going to a dirty school, and the teacher still lives in a dwelling with smoke begrimed walls and plenty of ventilation by way of broken windows, the place being so before his coming here.

24-03-1909 24-03-1909 LM

Alter six months of weary waiting, the school and residence have been put into decent repair. The work was carried out by Messrs. Bray, of Bathurst. A long standing want has also been supplied at the school, by way of a 400 gallon tank. It was removed by order of the department, and Mr. T. Tobin carted it from Holly Brook sub-school to our own school.

24-05-1910 Mr Lewis Pro School Limekilns writes that cesspools need cleaning.

14-12-1910 The inspector a visit to the local school to-day and was greatly pleased with the progress made by the children. A half-holiday was granted.

03-02-1911 A No.8 Metters Beacon light received.

06-02-1911 The local school at last owns a clock, one arriving here from Sydney last Monday.

00-05-1911 Mr Lewis appointed post master at Limekilns

00-04-1912 Application to clean out well. Shortage of water.

00-10-1913 New tank applied for Charles Tobin tendered £1 for bringing tank from Wyagdon.

00-06-1915 William R Lewis gained Grade 3 qualification, and Limekilns now a public school

11-11-1916 Recommended that school close

24-11-1916 School closed Mr Tobin applied to occupy .Mr Samuel Tobin rent at 2/- per week.

00-07-1918 Rent 5 months in arrears.

4 Oct 1918 Joseph Tobin wrote to W Johnston M.L.A. requesting his assistance in obtaining for those children, their national right and essential to life - Education.



- 00-11-1918 Application to re-open school . Inspector doubtful of average of 10 could be maintained. Peel is nearest school .
- 27-12-1918 Mr. C. W., Johnston, M.L.A., has received a letter from the Education Department in connection with the reopening of the provisional school at Limekilns to the effect that a report had been received upon the matter that the number of children available was not sufficiently large to warrant the reopening of the school. Under the circumstances the Minister was not prepared to accede to the request. An application by the residents, however, for a subsidy in aid of private teaching of the children would be favourably considered by the department.

PARENTS	CHILDREN		RELIGION
Joseph Tobin	Athol	15	Roman Catholic
	Joseph Byrne	10	"
	Mary Claire	8	"
	Stella Margaret		"
Dennis Tobin	Louisa	14	"
Michael Tobin	Dennis	8	"
Edward Grabham	Jessie Joan	4 ½	Protestant
Charles Tobin	Samuel Reginald	13	Roman Catholic
Thomas Tobin	Thomas James	12	"
	James Spencer	4	"
Mrs James Tobin	Joseph Anthony	11	"
	Jessie Florence	8	"

- 01-07-1920 Mr Charles Grater, teacher Wattle Flat advises that Mr McKinnon wants to rent school
- 20-07-1920 Letter to Mr S Tobin Kelso requesting payment of rent
- 03-03-1921 Mr Charles Grater advises that Mr McKinnon took over school premises on 2-12-1920
- 01-02-1929 Mr. Herbert. Churches wants action on school. Applied to rent .Later purchased.

During the 1930's Frank Tobin donated a small portion of land near the phone exchange at the crossroads. The locals all pitched in and built a one room school. Various teachers came and went till in the 1940's it closed. It was used by the locals for church services (mainly Methodists) until a row between 2 of the ladies over the cleaning led to the end of that.

22-08-1947 NA On the eve of her departure from Limekilns where she has been teaching for the last two years, Miss Clare Peacock was tendered a surprise party and presentation by the Limekilns residents at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. McLeay of 'Sunshine,' Limekilns.

A very enjoyable evening was spent by a large gathering of friends, and a dainty home-made supper served after which the guest of honor was presented with a silver service by Mr. Austin Fearn. Miss Peacock has resigned her position owing to her approaching marriage



LIMEKILNS SCHOOL BEN CHIFLEY BACK RIGHT.

## **PAILING YARDS = WHEATFIELD SCHOOL 1877 - 1918**

02-01-1877 James Daley wrote in support of teacher of the private school at Pailing Yards. Mr. Thomas Wheller had been in charge for one year and had given universal satisfaction.

29-03-1877 James Daley wrote that a new building would be erected on Crown Land at Pailing Yards. Pailing Yards was four miles from Limekilns and five miles from Wattle Flat.

### **Local Members of Committee were.:-**

Richard Ormsby Kerr.	Grazier	Church of England
Issac James Joseph McCudden	Farmer	Roman Catholic
John McDonal	Farmer	Presbyterian
William Sutcliffe	Farmer	Wesleyan
James Daley	Farmer	Roman Catholic

### **The following residents had children to attend the school**

PARENT	DISTANCE	CHILDREN	AGE	RELIGION
Henry McCudden	1 mile	Elizabeth	13	Roman Catholic
		James	12	"
		William	11	"
		John	9	"
		Mary Ann	7	"
		Joseph	5	"
James Daley	1 mile	Clare Irene	13	:
		Bridget	12	"
		Richard	11	"
		Daniel	10	"
		John	7	"
		Margaret	6	"
		Mary	4 ½	"
Frances McCudden	1 mile	L.	11	"
		A.	9	"
		L.	7	"
		J.	4	"
Joshua Lay	1 ½ miles	Mary	14	"
		F.	12	"
		Harriet	10	"
		Alice	8	"
		Joseph	6	"
		Janie	4	"
James Shindlair	2 ½	Edward	13	"
		Francis	12	"
		James	10	"
		Mary	9	"
Patrick Carrol	2 ½	Michael	13	"
		Henry	11	"
		Alice	8	"
		Ellen	6	"
		John	4	"
Henry Blackler	3/4 mile	Annie	14	"
Patrick Gossman		Anne	15	"
		Jonathan	11	"

11-07-1877 A meeting held at school house, proposed to immediately apply for erection of a school.

10-09-1877 Land at a separate site selected for a new building on opposite side of Pailing Yards to Wattle Flat.

### **Addition to list of eligible children**

PARENT	DISTANCE	CHILDREN	AGE	RELIGION
Denny Hoolahan	1 ½ miles	M.B.	4	Roman Catholic
George Lawson	2 miles	Susan	9	Protestant
		Ann	7	"
		Sarah	6	"
		Emma	4	"
William Heagney	1 mile	Thomas William	8	Roman Catholic
Alfred Maskell	1 mile	William	6	"
		Ellen	4	"

12-09-1877	Inspector Allpass recommended new school building to cope with the attendance. Average 26.
14-09-1877	Mr James Daley wrote urging a new building be erected to replace the log hut now used. He was the father of fourteen children. In reply the Council of Education informed him that it was not the practice to provide buildings for provisional use but that it was the responsibility of promoters.
21-09-1877	Sofala. Inspector G.W.Allpass advises schoolroom accommodation should be provided for 36 pupils in one department. Teachers residence consisting of 2 rooms and kitchen required. 20 boys and 17 girls in attendance total 37 14 boys and 14 girls expected total 28 Population believed to be permanent and likely to increase. Building should be of brick or sawn slab construction.
Schooling costs.	The cost per child of actual attendance is 14-16-3 The cost per child of expected attendance is 14- 5-8 The cost per child for whole colony is 10- 4-0 The cost per child for this district is 10-18-5
19-11-1877	Mr Hamilton Hume was recommended as teacher. Has been in charge.
24-12-1878	Inspector Allpass informed that he had been unable to hold examinations at Wheatfield and Limekilns but he would do so shortly
28-12-1878	James Daley wrote that contract had been signed for new school
04-03-1879	James Daley wrote that brickwork fence was up and land was cleared.
31-12-1879	Wheatfield residents threaten to send their children to Wattle Flat because teacher Hume has joined the Orange Lodge. Parents almost without exception are Roman Catholic. Teacher at Wattle Flat told not to accept them.
04-02-1880	Letters from parents pointing out that Mr Hume is not a fit person to be in charge of their children because he has become an Orangeman. They let it be understood that their children would never be taught by an Orangeman. They hoped that justice not be delayed as they had a great grievance in the present instance to suffer by being obliged in conscience to keep their children from school.
09-02-1880	Mr Hume applied for removal to Toogong.
16-02-1880	Mary A Cassidy accepts Wheatfield School to open on 1st March 1880.
10-03-1880	James Daley requests clock for school. 26 children in attendance.
21-05-1880	Wheatfield Public School Board dissolved.
27-01-1881	Inspector recommends that William and Ellen Maskell be admitted free to school.
24-09-1881	Mrs Cassidy granted 15 days accouchment leave. Miss Annie McCormack named as substitute.
11-02-1883	Mrs Cassidy at odds with Department over cuts to her salary which she maintains are not warranted.
29-02-1884	Repairs to value of 5-10-00 carried out at school.
03-10-1891	Half time school. Wheatfield teacher A.S.Burke requests time to attend exam at Bathurst to gain class 111A certificate.
16-11-1901	Doctor Sexton certifies that Mrs Regan is unfit for duty.
07-02-1918	Chas. Grator, teacher at Wattle Flat sends rent for school premises at Wheatfield on behalf of Mr McCudden.

### **HOLLYBROOK SCHOOL 1888 – 1908 – 1935.**

There is little information regarding applications to establish a school at Hollybrook. It appears to have been at the cost of £55 and opened as a provisional school in April 1888 and was on the Limekilns to Bathurst road just north of Bread & Butter Flat and where the track from Clear Creek joins the road.

A list of prospective pupils supplied by Mr Clapham on 1st June 1887 is as follows:-

Jonathon Davison	2 m	Annie	14	Protestant
		Josep	10	Protestant
		Archibald	7	Protestant
William Sinclair	¼ m	Walter	8	Presbyterian
		Mary	6	Presbyterian
		Claude	4	Presbyterian
Patrick McEvoy	¼ m	Ethel	15	R.C
		William	11	R.C
		Catherine	10	R.C
		Ernest	9	R.C
		Herbert	7	R.C
		Maude	5	R.C

William Atcheson	1 ½ m	Elizabeth	12	C/E
		Ann	9	C/E
		Herbert	7	C/E
		Eliza	4	C/E
G.S.Clapham	1 m	George G	6	C/E
A.Hullach	2 m	William L		Presbyterian
Joseph Hawker	1 ½ m	Francis		C/E

Miss Carmichael was the first teacher, but her relationship with the Department of Education does not appear to have been a happy one and she departed in January 1889. Mr Weiss was nominated as a suitable replacement for whom accommodation was available. By April of 1889 Lillian Grace had applied for travel expenses of £1/13/6 from Riverstone to Hollybrook.

Mr S.G.Bidwell appears to have become the teacher and was assessed as being very fair at organizing school, had very fair discipline power, fair ability to teach, fair practical skill and usefulness.

By April 1891 Hollybrook was elevated to public school status with an enrolment of 35 and an average attendance of 22. The teacher boarded with Mr Clapham or Mr Davidson about a mile and a half from the school.

At the end of 1893 Mr Bidwell applied for a school on the South Coast or anywhere away from Hollybrook as the locality was undermining his health. He must have stayed until the end of 1894 but was losing so much time because of illness that a relief teacher was appointed occasionally.

By mid 1894 Hollybrook was half time with Winburndale and a resident of Winburndale was prompted to write that *"if a man teacher were appointed Winburndale could be opened full time. Female teachers were a failure in the country"*. Mr Inspector McCredie described both these claims as absurd. Mrs Alice Armstrong had been relief teacher while Mr Bidwell was confined to bed for 1 month.

In October 1894 John.R.Oakes, manager of Mr Marden 's Properties, Clear Creek, requested alternate days at each school. He felt that if both days allocated to Hollybrook were wet his 7 children were losing too much school. Mr Bidwell pointed out that this arrangement would be unsuitable as the distance between the 2 schools was 13 miles and he could board for the required time at each end, which was better than travelling the whole distance each day.

From July 1895 to March 1904 Hollybrook was half time with Glanmire when it closed for a short period. After a letter of request from W. A. Sinclair of Clear Creek it reopened as a Public School in July of 1904 under the direction of Carrington. J. Westaway.

22-01-1904 LM Mr. Joseph Harris, who has been in charge of the Glanmire and Hollybrook half-time schools for the past ten years, has been promoted to the Fish River public school, where he commences work to-day. Mr. Harris has been a painstaking and conscientious teacher, and his many friends will be glad to learn of his promotion in the service.

During 1905 and 1906, Mr Westaway seemed to spend most of his time recovering from one illness after another. Only his mother's death and his marriage intervened to break the cycle. In November W. R. Lewis applied for travel expenses from Mudgee to Hollybrook.

The appointment of Mr C Neiven as teacher at Hollybrook Public School was confirmed in October 1907, and by 1908 approval had been given to close Hollybrook which had been half time with Limekilns for 5 months and Limekilns full time. This decision annoyed Mr Sinclair who wrote requesting the reopening of the grounds that the children of the locality would not be able to compete in the future world without an education

The parents appear to have made their own arrangements in 1909 because Mr William Handcock queried removal of a tank from the school leaving the children without water. A subsidised teacher had reopened the school and was sleeping in the porch. The aid of Mr John Miller M.P. was enlisted and it was suggested the tanks from the Paling Yards school be used.

14-12-1910 Holly Brook will soon have seen the last of its school building, which has been purchased by Mrs. Atcheson. It is to be removed to close to Kelso, where it will help to form part of a residence.

06-02-1911 The Holly Brook school building, which was sold some time ago has been rebuilt, and is to be used as a lying in home. A survey of the area in 1927 disclosed that the families of Mr Mr Clapham were the only ones within 3 miles of the site with educational needs. Inquiries about the purchasing of the land were continuing in 1931 but the department always declined to sell, the reason being that a school may again be needed.

12-02-1936 LM Miss Murray, of Oberon, has been appointed to take charge of the school at Hollybrook, Limekilns-road, in the Bathurst district. She will succeed Mr. T.R. Connell who has gained a Teachers' College scholarship tenable at Armidale in recognition of work that he has done in connection with the subsidised schools branch of the service.

During the mid 1930's the teacher was Miss. Flo. Elbourn and she boarded with Mr. & Mrs. Bert Cole who lived 200 m along the Limekilns road. Flo was a sister to Amy who married Frank Tobin of Alicedale & Win who married Duncan Ferguson of Palmers Oakey.

During the late 1940's when the Palmers Oakey men were erecting the phone line they camped in the old school. There was no roof so we put a tarp over the battens and were very cosy. During the 1950's Duncan Ferguson rented the site off the Crown to use as a travelling stock reserve, and later it went to the Pastures Protection Board as a reserve for travelling stock.





“THE BROOK” MtHORRIBLE ROAD 2016



“ROSEDALE” SHEARING SHED 2016

## CHURCH and CEMETERY

I find it interesting that the good people of Limekilns never had a general cemetery, considering the population. There are a few graves at the back of the Rising Sun Hotel, and talk of one here and one there. Most of the burials were at Wattle Flat and Kelso.

There was a house next to the road at the foot of Rotton Hill, (McEvoys), is was said there were several graves there and I can remember what appeared to be arranged stones in the rose garden, but no sign now. There are 2 graves on the old Says block as the road turns to go up Mt. Horrible.

Going through the old records it is obvious that the Limekilns folks were very religious. There are some ads. in the Bathurst papers for services to be held at local houses.

I can find no records of a church except for Geoff Smiths book "100 Years of Peel & District", where he states "*At least one certificate indicates that a Roman Catholic Church existed at Limekilns in the 1870's and local knowledge positions it on the Pailing Yards road. It is believed to have been moved to Sofala in 1913 and at a later stage moved (1923) to Wattle Flat, where it has lately (1997) been demolished to make way for the new Catholic Church.*"

The only wedding I can find was a double, on the 6-6-1876 when brother and sister married sister and brother. Mary Tobin married Timothy Kearney, and James Patrick Tobin married Martha Agnes Kearney

AND

26-06-1911 Lithgow paper reported "A fox was found dead in the RC. Church here lately. It had got in somehow, and failed to get out again. "

It was situated in a paddock just on the eastern side of the Blue Hill (Upper Turon) road about ½ K from the crossroads.



This headstone is 100m east of the "Rising Sun" Hotel.

Lousia D. Taylor, died 1<sup>st</sup> April 1863 aged 5 years.

Edward Taylor died 6<sup>th</sup> November 1863 aged 21 years.

*I belive there are other graves there and one may be the original Tobin, James. CF*



## LIMEKILNS FAMILYS.

Some of these family trees are rather long, going on for generations. As familys grew and moved away from Limekilns I was tempted to delete them. This caused problems as the trees ceased to flow and became hard to understand, and people from later generations moved back to Limekilns with no trace of where they came from. I sought advice from several sources and 95% said "Put it all in". So if you find it long and tedious please move on and blame my addiction to detail.

### ARMOUR

I Samuel Armour. He married Agnes Ann Peel.

Children:

2. i. Samuel Armour, b. 15-04-1833.
3. ii. Mary Jane Armour, b. 02-11-1834.
- iii. Elizabeth Armour, b. 1840 in Wisemans Ferry. m. David Gould Poyitt, 05-06-1862 in Bathurst. Elizabeth d. 07-11-1907 in Leichardt, b. Dark Corner (Presb ).
4. iv. Isabella Armour, b. 00-00-1842.
5. v. Sarah Ann Armour, b. 00-00-1848.

#### Generation Two

2. Samuel Armour, b. 15-04-1833 in Dow Ireland, occupation Vet, butcher, innkeeper. He married Harriet (Fanny) Taylor, 01-10-18?? in Sofala. Samuel died 14-03-1904 in Nt Sydney, buried: in Rookwood (Wes). Took over hotel licence of hotel at Mitchells Cr from father-in-law Samuel Taylor in 1860s. Harriet: SEE TAYLOR TREE

Children:

6. i. Harriet Agnes Armour, b. 07-04-1860.
- ii. Samuel Armour, b. 1862 in Bathurst, occupation Bricklayer. He married Thirza Mellor, 1921 in St Leonards. Samuel died 03-01-1931 in Limekilns.
- iii. William Edwin Armour, b. 1864 in Orange.
- iv. Alfred Armour, b. 26-06-1867 in Orange.
- v. James Baynes Armour, b. 1869 in Orange.
- vi. Charles Edgar Armour, b. 1871 in Orange.
- vii. Ada Beatrice Armour, b. 12-11-1874 in Limekilns.
- viii. Arthur R Armour, b. 1877 in Windsor.
- ix. Fanny Louisa Armour, b. 1879 in Windsor.

3. Mary Jane Armour, b. 02-11-1834 in Ireland. She married (1) James McGrath, 26-01-1853 in Windsor, b. 1824 in Windsor, occupation Farmer, d. 1859 in Mc Graths Hill, buried: in Windsor (RC). She married (2) Robert Drew, 15-05-1862 in Bathurst, b. 18-10-1839 in Chatham Kent England, d. 12-09-1897 in Sydney, buried: in Windsor (CE). Mary died 13-04-1910 in Nt Sydney, buried: in Windsor CE. James: Father James mother Elizabeth Robert: Father John Wellesley Drew, mother Anne Jones

Children by James McGrath:

- i. James Armour McGrath, b. 14-12-1854 in Windsor.
- ii. William George McGrath, b. 1856 in Windsor.
- iii. Angus Elizabeth McGrath, b. 1856 in Windsor.

Children by Robert Drew:

- iv. Amelia J Drew, b. 1863 in Bathurst.
- v. Isabella Drew, b. 1865 in Bathurst.
- vi. John A Drew, b. 1868 in Windsor.
- vii. Maud M Drew, b. 1870 in Windsor.
- viii. Mary A Drew, b. 1872 in Bathurst.
- ix. Minnie Louisa Drew, b. 1874 in Bathurst. m. Robert B Drew, b. 1877 in Windsor.
- xi. Orwell Augustus McGrath Drew, b. 04-05-1879 in McGraths Hill.

4. Isabella Armour, b. 1842 in Windsor. She married Ebenezer Davis, 20-04-1865 in Sofala, b. 31-10-1841 in Bathurst (son of Ebenezer Davis and Louisa Vailce Brairley), baptized 02-01-1842 in Bathurst, occupation Miner, bootmaker, d. 11-11-1917 in Bathurst, buried: in Blayney. Isabella died 16-09-1912 in Mosman, buried: in Dark Corner (Presb ). Ebenezer: had hotels at Sofala, Bathurst, Halfway House An encounter with Ben Hall is mentioned in "The Sandy Cr Bushranger" by Edgar F Penzig

Children:

- i. Agnes Maud Mary Davis, b. 23-02-1866 in Bathurst.
- ii. Ebenezer Bathurst Davis, b. 04-09-1867 in Bathurst.



- iii. Louisa Rosalind Davis, b. 15-07-1869 in Bathurst.
- iv. Walter George Davis, b. 04-11-1871 in Kings Plains.
- v. Harold Ernest Davis, b. 12-08-1873 in Kings Plains.
- vi. Arthur Wentworth Davis, b. 09-04-1875 in Fitzgerald Mount.
- vii Miriam May Davis, b. 06-04-1877 in Kings Plains.
- viii Olando Bede Davis, b. 30-08-1879 in Kings Plains.
- ix. Oswald Armour Davis, b. 30-09-1881 in Kings Plains.
- x. Percy Bates Davis, b. 10-08-1882 in Kings Plains.

5. Sarah Ann Armour, b. 1848. She married James Lewis Attwell, 1868 in Sydney.  
Sarah died 1930 in Redfern.

Children:

- i. Arthur J Attwell, b. 1869 in Windsor.
- ii. George A Attwell, b. 1871 in Bathurst.
- iii. Leonard Attwell, b. 1872 in Bathurst.
- iv. Sarah Edith Attwell, b. 1875 in Bathurst.
- v. James Attwell, b. 1877 in Bathurst.
- vi. Agnes Peel Attwell, b. 1880 in Bathurst.
- vii. Amy I Attwell, b. 1883 in East Macquarie.
- viii. Mary E Attwell, b. 1888 in Sunny Corner.
- ix. Samuel A Attwell, b. 1891 in Sunny Corner.

### Generation Three

6. Harriet Agnes Armour, b. 07-04-1860 in Sofala. She married Henry Green, 1882 in Windsor, occupation Builder.

Children:

- i. Harry Green, b. 01-11-1883 in Windsor.
- ii. Annie Green, b. 26-02-1885.
- iii. Alfred Green, b. 1887 in St Leonards.
- iv. Charles C Green, b. 07-11-1888 in St Leonards.
- v. Arthur I Green, b. 17-08-1890 in St Leonards.
- vi. Frederick B Green, b. 1892 in St Leonards.
- vii. Harriett Green, b. 31-08-1894 in Mosman.
- viii. Bertie Green, b. 10-05-1897.
- ix. John Green, b. 1903 in St Leonards

## ATCHESON

1. William Walter Atcheson, b. 1844, d. 24-03-1918, buried 25-03-1918 in Kelso. He married Sarah Gordon, 1864, d. 14-09-1920, b. in Kelso.

Children: -

- i. William R Atcheson, b. 1865 in Bathurst, d.1918 in Bathurst.
- ii. Anne Atcheson, b. 1867 in Bathurst.
- 2. iii. Eveline Atcheson, b. 1869.
- iv. Walter M Atcheson, b. 1872 in Bathurst, d. 03-06-1887 in Bathurst.
- 3. v. Elizabeth Lavena Atcheson, b. 1874.
- 4. vi. Ann LP Atcheson, b. 1877.
- vii. Henry Herbert G Atcheson, b. 1880 in Bathurst.
- 5. viii. Eliza G C Atcheson, b. 1883.

### Generation Two

- 2.-Eveline Atcheson, b. 1869 in Bathurst. She marr. John Griffiths, 1902 in Bathurst.

Children:

- i. Thelma I Griffiths, b. 1903 in Lithgow.
- ii. Reta D Griffiths, b. 1910 in Wattle Flat.

3. Elizabeth Lavena Atcheson, b.-1874 in Bathurst. m Thomas Jones, 1899 in Bathurst.

Children:

- i. Ivy G L Jones, b. 1898 in Sunny Corner.
- ii. Mable G L Jones, b. 1899 in Sunny Corner.

- iii. William W G Jones, b. 1902 in Lithgow.
- iv. Lawrence H T Jones, b. 1904 in Lithgow,
- v. Dorothy ME Jones, b. 1907 in Lithgow.
- vi. Jack AC Jones, b. 1908 in Lithgow.
- vii. Dulcie M Jones, b. 1913 in Lithgow.
- viii. Millicent V Jones, b. 1915 in Lithgow.
- ix. Ronald R Jones, b. 1918 in Lithgow.

4. Ann L F Atcheson, b. 1877 in Bathurst. m Frederick J Thorman, 1902 in Bathurst.

Children:

- i. Beryl S Thorman, b. 1902 in Lithgow.
- ii. Winifred A Thorman, b. 1906 in Lithgow.
- iii. William W Thorman, b. 1909 in Lithgow.
- iv. Merel E Thorman, b. 1915 in Lithgow.

5. Eliza G C Atcheson, b.-1883 in Bathurst. m. Edgar Haynes, d. 1905 in Orange.

Children:

- i. Doris L Haynes, b. 1906 in Wellington.
- ii. Millicent A Haynes, b. 1907 in Wellington.
- iii. Mavis E Haynes, b. 1910 in Wattle Flat.
- iv. Eliza Haynes, b. 1912 in Bathurst.
- v. Enid Haynes, b. 1914 in Bathurst.
- vi. Joan O Haynes, b. 1916 in Bathurst.
- vii. Mary Haynes, b. 1918 in Bathurst.

## GEORGE BLACKMAN.

George was born in Richmond NSW in 1809, the eighth child of the marriage. Around 1823, when he was 14, his parents decided to join 3 of their other sons in Bathurst NSW. At that stage there were 3 young children still at home, George (14), Robert (12) and Martha (10).

George's father, James Blackman, had at this time written to the Governor seeking a land grant in Bathurst and saying that three of his sons were in Bathurst (he was referring to **James Junior, superintendent of convicts at Bathurst, who discovered Limekilns**, John and William). He also stated that he still had a young family which comprised three children.

Presumably George received a good education like his siblings as his mother Elizabeth was very strict when it came to her children's education. Despite that he doesn't seem to have been employed in any Government positions, unlike his father and some of his siblings. As a consequence it is assumed that from about 16 years he worked as a farmer or farm labourer on his father's or brother's properties.

In 1833 (aged 24) George purchased 80 perches of land in Bathurst (that record on ADC is not printable) and perhaps (if it isn't the same property) a small property in Kelso.

In 1837 George (aged 28) married Susannah Raven (17) at the Holy Trinity Church in Kelso and it is reported that he was a farmer at that time. Susannah had been born in the Colony, at Cowpastures, and was the daughter of Charles Raven and Sarah Jenkins.

Sometime around 1837 his parents and his three brothers James Jnr, John and William move to the Mudgee area but George and Susannah stayed in Bathurst and in 1838 their first child George Jnr ( George Harley Blackman named after his grandfather George Harley) was born.

He and his other youngest siblings, those who came with their parents to Bathurst (Robert and Martha) did not follow their parents and stayed in the Bathurst area. Also close by was Mary the 6th born sibling.

George may have moved his family because their second child is born in 1841 at Hill End (in pre gold rush days). However by 1847 he seems to have settled in Dirty Swamp because all of the remaining children are born there during the period 1847-1862 - (Dirty Swamp was renamed Locksley and is located between Brewongle and Tarana . )

### CHILDREN

- 1. George Harley (1838-1916) b Bathurst
- 2. Charles Samuel (1841-1915) b Hill End
- 3. William (1844-1922) b Bathurst
- 4. Sarah Elizabeth (1847-1895) b Dirty Swamp
- 5. Susannah (1849-1929) b Dirty Swamp
- 6. Emily (1852-1917) b Locksley
- 7. Adelaide Mary (1856-1906) b Locksley
- 8. James (1859-1933) b Locksley
- 9. Martha (1862- 1869 )b Locksley

### Insolvency

The following article possibly relates to George. It reveals that a George Blackman of Bread and Butter Flat near Limekilns (a farmer) was insolvent in 1869 with assets being exceeded by liabilities by 71 pounds. The causes for his insolvency when he was aged 60 were given as:

Insolvency Court - Saturday. George Blackman, of Bread and Butter Flat, near Limekilns, farmer. Causes of insolvency : Unprecedented depression in business, bad debts, and having been unable to attend to business through sickness.

Liabilities, £132 16s. 6d. Assets, £61 10s. Deficiency, £71 6s. 5d. Official assignee, Mr. J.P. Mackenzie.

Georges death. He is reported to have died at Clear Creek, in May 1875 aged 66 and buried at Holy Trinity Church Kelso (although there is no headstone).

## BYERS



Robert Byers, b. 27-07-1823 in Annan Dumfries Scotland, d. 1875 in Jews Creek. Arrived Sydney 28-04-1853 per "Fortune". He married Hannah Dodd, 1849 in Liverpool England, b. 1820 in England, d.-1907 in Sydney.

#### Children:

- i. Annie Byers, b. 1845 in England. She married Jackson.
- ii. Janet Byers, b. 1850, d. 1904.
- iii. James Byers, b. 1852, d. 1853 on ship coming out.
- iv. Hannah Byers, b. 1853. She married Alf Brodie.
2. v. Thomas Byers b. 1857.
3. vi. John Byers b. 1859.
- vii. Mary Byers, b. 1860, d. 1933.
- viii. Isabelle Byers, b. 1862, d. 1925. She married Edward Keys.

#### Generation Two

2. Thomas Byers, b. 1857 in Sydney, d. 1936 in Bathurst m Jessie Elizabeth Wilson, 1891 in Dark Corner, b. 1867 in Glanmire ( daug of Alexander Wilson and Jessie Alexanderia Sinclair). SEE WILSON TREE

#### Children:

- i. Thomas Byers, b. 1893 in Waverley, d. 23-12-1980 in Bathurst.
- ii. James Byers, b. 1894 in Sunny Corner, d. 13-04-1982 in Bathurst.
4. iii. Robert Byers b. 1900.
3. John Byers, b. 1859 in Sydney, d. 1929 in Bathurst. m Margaret Gertrude Wilson, b. 1871 in Bathurst ( daughter of Alexander Wilson and Jessie Alexanderia Sinclair), d. 1952 in Bathurst. SEE WILSON TREE

#### Children:

- i. Jessie Byers, b. 26-11-1893 in Dark Corner, d. 03-05-1982 in Bathurst. She married Jack Tooby, 09-07-1932.
5. ii. Mary Byers b. 28-08-1895.
- iii. John (Jack) Byers, b. 19-09-1900 in Dark Corner, d. 06-08-1988 in Bathurst.  
m Nina Scanes.
6. iv. William (Bill) Byers b. 17-07-1904.

### Generation Three

4. Robert Byers, b. 1900 in Dark Corner, d. 31-05-1972 in Bathurst. m Jessie Tobin, 1930 in Bathurst. Jessie SEE TOBIN TREE

Children:

- i. Jessie Elaine Byers. m. Leo John Foran. d.16-09-1961
- ii. Stanley Robert Byers. m. Janice Elaine Muldoon in Bathurst.
- iii, Vincent Edward Byers. m. Robin Lynette Seaman 29-06-1963 in Bathurst
- 7 iv. Mervyn Harold Byers. m. Betty Jean Lamont 1976 West Bathurst.
- v. Mary Lorraine Byers. m. William Ronald Patton 1969 West Bathurst

5. Mary Byers, b. 28-08-1895 in Dark Corner. She married Eric (Ec) Churches, 26-12-1929 in Bathurst, b. 14-08-1895 in Raglan, d. 22-05-1974. SEE CHURCHES TREE

Children:

- i. Alexander Churches,
- ii. Meba Churches, d. 00-00-1988.
- iii. Isobel Churches,
- iv. Carol Churches,

6. Bill Byers, b. 17-07-1904 in Limekilns, d. 15-06-1977 in Sofala.

Children:

- i Margaret Byers.
- ii Helen Byers.
- iii Heather Byers.
- iv John Byers.

7. Vincent Edward Byers. He married Robin Lynette Seaman , 29-06-1963 in Bathurst

Children:

- i....Stephen Edward Byers He married (1) Linda Inwood, 19-11-1984.  
He married (2) Cherie Lea Hall, 02-12-1989.
- ii. Paul Vincent Byers
- iii. David Robert Byers
- iv. Sue Raquel Byers
- v. Andrew Joseph Byers , d. 17-01-1999 in Kelso.



BILL, JESS, JACK, MARY, BYERS, ERIC CHURCHES

At "Willowdale" Tennis Court.

00-00-1900

The Byers family of Dark Corner shared 200 acres at Limekilns with their relatives the Wilsons "*Willowdale*" (just to the south of the old pub). In 1900 when young Jack Byers was born he was delicate and the family considered Dark Corner winters to be too severe for him. So they packed up and moved to Limekilns till the spring. They would get the help of Jack Bowers of Palmers Oakey with his horse and dray and while he drove along the Mt Franklin road the family walked through the Winburndale range to Limekilns. They did this each year till 1908 when they moved to Limekilns full time. It worked for young Jack, he enjoyed good health and lived till 88.

The family moved to "Kelsoville" in 1926.

## CHURCHES

- 1..Herbert W Churches, b. 07-05-1866 in Raglan son of George Churches and Sophia Byrne (nee Beauchamp) d. 16-01-1949 in Bathurst. He married ( **1** ) Mary Ann Caroline Anderson, 10-05-1893 in Peel, b. 18-03-1873 in Wattle Flat ( daughter of John Anderson and Massom Elizabeth Dowling), d. 29-12-1911 Bathurst. b, Peel. He married ( **2** ) Ivy Caroline Redding, 24-06-1913 in Kelso, b. 00-00-1887 in East Macquarie ( daughter of William Redding and Fanny Pymont), d. 04-05-1933, buried in Peel.

Children:

- i. George Keith Churches, b. 25-01-1894 in Raglan, d. 29-01-1974 in Bathurst.  
He married Elsie M M Story, 25-09-1920 in Petersham.
2. ii. Herbert Eric Churches b. 14-08-1895.
- iii. Eileen Massom Hope Churches, b. 26-03-1889 in Peel, d. 17-04-1982 in Bathurst.  
She married Frederick J Hill, 00-00-1927 in Bathurst.
- iv. Meba Ethel Churches, b. 04-08-1903 in Peel, d. 17-11-1986 in Sydney.  
She married Frederick G Uren, 00-00-1928 in Bathurst.
- v. Marjorie Jean Churches, b. 01-08-1914, d. 15-07-1993 in Bathurst, buried in Bathurst. She married Stanley Clive McKinnon, 1936 in Bathurst, b.1902 in Palmers Oakey, d. 30-06-1985 in Bathurst, buried in Bathurst. SEE McKINNON TREE
3. vi. Jack Russell Churches b. 30-09-1917.
4. vii. Ruth Olive Churches b. 16-07-1920.
5. viii. Harold Frank (Tom) Churches b. 22-04-1923.
- ix. Geoff Churches, in Bathurst.
6. x. Herbert Maxwell Churches

### Generation Two

2. Herbert Eric Churches, b. 14-08-1895 Raglan, d. 22-05-1974. m. Mary Byers, 26-12-1929  
SEE BYERS TREE

Children:

7. i. Alexander Eric Churches.
- ii. Margaret Meba Churches.
- iii. Isobel Mary Churches.
- iv. Carol Jessie Churches.

3. Jack Russell Churches, b. 30-09-1917. m. Florence Jean Williams, 18-09-1944 in Maitland West, b. 27-07-1919 in Maitland, d. 08-11-1992 in Maitland.

Children:

8. i. Lorna Caroline Churches
- ii. Gary John Churches,

4. Ruth Olive Churches, b. 16-07-1920. She married ( **1** ) Max Musgrove, 28-02-1938 in Holy Trinity Kelso, b. 31-05-1912 in Rockley ( son of Walter Robert Anderson Musgrove and Wilhelmina Henriea Borrmann), d. 07-04-1986 in Port Macquarie.  
She married ( **2** ) Robert Reginald Bryce, 11-02-1977.

Children:

9. i. Helen Barbara Musgrove

5. Harold Frank (Tom) Churches, m Mavis Mary Cantrill, 05-06-1948,

Children:

- i.. Harold John Churches, He married ( **1** ) Kathy Frost, 22-04-1972. He married ( **2** ) Marlene Elson, 00-03-1987.
- ii. Geoffery Maxwell Churches,
10. iii. Kay Churches
6. Herbert Maxwell Churches, He married Betty Emma Weal, 29-10-1953 in Bathurst,

Children:

11. i. Stephen John Churches
12. ii. Peter Maxwell Churches
- iii. Lee Anne Churches
- iv. Andrew Wallace Churches,

### Generation Three

7. Alexander Eric Churches. He married Jill Ann Payne, 02-01-1954 in Kelso.

Children:

- i. Michael Alexander Churches.
- ii. Megan Churches.
- iii. Kathryn Churches.
- iv. Alison Churches.

8. Lorna Caroline Churches,. m Ronald Hughes, 26-08-1978 in Maitland,

Children:

- i. Michelle Lee Hughes,
- ii. Mark Andrew Hughes,. He married Vicki Maria Dodds,

9. Helen Barbara Musgrove, m Raymond John Minogue, 11-04-1964 in ASC Bathurst,

Children:

- i. Elizabeth Ann Minogue,
- ii. Peter John Minogue

10. Kay Churches,. She married Roy Woodrow, 28-12-1974.

Children:

- i. Tara Lee Woodrow
- ii. Carissa Joy Woodrow,

11. Stephen John Churches, m (1) Patricia Schubect, 16-12-1976 in Wyong,  
m (2) Sue Ann Lantry,

Children:

- i. Timothy Andrew Churches,
- ii. Donna Jane Churches,
- ii. Stephanie Churches,

12. Peter Maxwell Churches, He married Sheena Elizabeth Baillie, 27-11-1982 in Bathurst, Children:

- i. Scott Peter Churches,
- ii. Emily Anne Churches,
- iii. Lisa Christine Churches,

#### **FROM ALEX CHURCHES MEMORIES OF 'WILLOWDALE'**

The house on 'Willowdale' had been built with mud over a frame of wattle boughs - known as 'wattle and daub' - with a galvanised iron roof. The plan was very simple There was no hallway. It was basically like four apartments opening off a long verandah, each of two rooms, probably one general purpose room and a small bedroom. It was like as if the house had been built to accommodate 'boarders', only in this case it was family members, like bachelor uncles. An additional 'apartment' had been built on to the end of the house and was occupied by Johnny Tobin who was related somehow to all the rest of the Tobins around Limekilns. There were two water tanks - each of square steel construction about 400 gallons capacity. There was no running water, it all had to be carried from the tank, and of course no electricity, but there was a telephone, which was a party line, so all the neighbours could listen in to all conversations. Our call signal was '4 shorts' i.e. four short turns of the handle.

We lived in two of the 'apartments'. Dad had knocked a doorway between two apartments so we did not have to walk outside to get to bedrooms. That meant we had a living room with a big fireplace, kitchen with fuel stove and not much else, and two bedrooms. I slept on a sofa in the living room and the girls in the small second bedroom.

Tom Tobin from the old hotel at Limekilns ('Rosedale') often took us (Meba, Isobel and me) walking into the hills to the east of 'Willowdale' to see all sorts of old and interesting sites. One of the most interesting was the walk to the Woolpacks, where the cliff face had broken into squares roughly the size of wool packs.

Every year, in the spring, after the winter chills had gone, sheep were shorn. A wool pack was a large jute bale into which wool fleeces were compressed to be transported to the wool sale place. Each wool bale was roughly a cube measuring about 90 cm in each dimension.

I made a toboggan and we used to slide down the steep grassy slopes of the old Lime Kiln - which was quite near the house. The lime kiln was used to 'burn' the local limestone to obtain raw lime. It was effectively a furnace with a chimney built into the side of a hill. A wood fire was lit at the bottom and limestone piled on top of the wood. The chimney effect fanned the fire which reached a temperature high enough to break down the limestone.

There was a tennis court which had been there for many years as Mum had played on it when she was young. Records of the Limekilns Tennis Club members dated 1905 show there were 40 paid up members at 2/6d p.a. At the time we were there, the tennis court was somewhat overgrown, but from time to time we cleared the weeds and had some good games of tennis. The surface of the court had been topped with soil from the top of nests made by meat ants, which was like very fine gravel, so weeds did not grow very well on it. There was even a shelter shed for people watching or waiting for a game. The shelter was made basically from slabs of wood split from trees, with a galvanised iron roof. Tom Byers stayed with us during one holiday. He was a good player, much too good for us kids, but he taught us quite a lot.

Prior to having his sheep shorn at 'Tabberatong', Dad used to take them to Tom and Jim Tobin at 'Rosedale'. Austin Fearn was quite often the shearer there.



Rabbits could be a problem to sheep farmers. If there were too many rabbits, they ate most of the grass intended for the sheep, so it was an ongoing task to watch for an influx of rabbits. One of the ways to eradicate them was to locate their burrows and dig them up. Often there were rabbits hiding in the burrows. I can remember one occasion I was digging away, standing in the trench I was digging, and a rabbit decided to make a run for it, darting between my legs. I was just quick enough to squeeze my legs together and hold it until I could get my hands around its neck. Sometimes we used to shoot the rabbits with a pea rifle and sometimes we used rabbit traps, set in the soft soil at the entrances to the burrows.

On one occasion Mum and Dad were cleaning out the shed and found a large tin containing explosives, packed in a sugar bag, hanging on a wall. By that stage, the explosives were many years old, so were likely to be very unstable. Dad carried the tin to the top paddock, where he set fire to a large tree stump, placed the tin full of explosives on top of the stump, and retired to a very safe distance. The explosives were burnt without an explosion.

During the long breaks between school holidays Dad and I used to go to the farm every second week-end to check that the sheep in all three paddocks had a good supply of water and grass and were generally in good shape. In spring and early summer, one of the things to watch for was fly strike. This was when the sheep's bottoms got a bit messy, and the blow-flies laid their eggs there. The eggs hatched into maggots, which then burrowed in the skin and pretty soon the sheep was seriously sick. Treatment was to cut off all the wool in the affected area and cover liberally with some sort of tar-like disinfectant. That seemed to do the trick.

In the winter time one of the fortnightly tasks was to load the Rugby with firewood to keep the Kelso residence warm. 'Willowdale' had been pretty well cleared of timber by that stage, so firewood was getting to be in short supply. Dad used to pull the Rugby alongside the fence between us and Norman Holmes (with permission from Norman who owned 'Clearvale'), chop down, then chop up some of Norman's trees and load them up. It was good wood too, which burnt very well. Some of the eucalypts were well known to have very poor burning qualities, but not Norman's, which were stringy bark, red box and yellow box.

The routine for these weekend trips was morning tea at 'Clearvale' with Eileen and Fred Hill, check the sheep later in the morning and afternoon, then any repairs or other maintenance on Sunday morning and home to Kelso in the afternoon, with a stop at 'Clearvale' on the way.

#### **MEMORIES FROM MAX CHURCHES January 2013 'GLEN ROY' Limekilns.**

Lovely old home of Wattle and Daub. It had large rooms, low doors, huge fire places. It was cool in summer and warm in winter. It was built on the bank of Cheshire Creek. I remember going fishing with a willow rod, old green twine and cork, worms for bait. There were always plenty of fish in those days in large deep holes of water and always running. Not now - no holes and no fish.

We used to swim in the creek and see who could get the most leaches on our body.

There was a swinging bridge to cross the creek and walk to the road to collect the mail and supplies. The mail man was Pep Payne. (Edward Norman Payne)

There was a large bull shed not far from the house. N.J. (Norman J. Homes) bred prize bulls. One day a large bull pinned him to the bull yard fence. Dad managed to get him out - luckily for N.J.

Dad was riding his beloved horse. It must have been perspiring and a large swarm of bees took to the horse. The poor thing bolted and jumped over a very high bank and broke his neck.

Lucern was cut with a horse drawn cutter and raked up with a horse drawn rake. Our job was to put it in small heaps called cocks. When they were dry enough Dad, with his beloved draught horses and a very large dray would cart it into the shed. Dad would be up on the dray and we had to throw the cocks up to him. On odd occasions there would be a snake under one of the cocks. The older boys (Jack, Tom and Jeff) would throw the snake up to Dad as well. Poor Dad. OF COURSE I WOULD NOT DO ANYTHING LIKE THAT!!

Dad (Herbert Wallace Churches) wore a grey flannel shirt winter and summer. It was washed once a week. It kept hot weather out and was warm in winter.

Dad retired and we moved to the old School House in Limekilns. It had high ceilings and was cool in summer but freezing in winter. Dad was happy as there was plenty of land and a very good well for water. He had a great garden. We would lower food down into the well to keep it nice and cool. Many years later the new people at 'Dulcis Vale' put a bull dozer in the big swamp across the road and the well went dry.

There was a large apple tree in front of the school house. Les Piper was up the pole fixing the telephone line one day. Geoff and I soon got him down from the ladder by pelting him with tomatoes and apples.

There was a two seater pit toilet. One was for littles and one for older - as used for the school children. One day Dad was on the toilet when he shot out the door very quickly. There was a ledge under the seat and Dad thought a snake had him - but it was a cat which tickled him on the bottom (to put it politely!).

The old school was not convenient. We had to walk from living area outside to get to the bedroom. Not the best in wet and cold weather.

I lived at the old school at weekends and at 'Clearvale' during the week. Eileen Hill home schooled her children John and Rosemary and me. Later the three of us rode our bikes down to 'Hollybrook' school. We used to call at Herb Achinson's place on the way home, pretending we wanted a drink of water. The house had dirt floors, dog, cat, fowls and fleas.

Shearing at 'Clearvale' was a very busy time. Eileen did all the cooking. N.J. sat at one table - the rest of the men at a very large one. N.J. had a dog which the rest of the workers did not approve of it sitting under the table. Someone 'by accident' spilt a cup of tea on the dog. He carried a terrible scar all his life. Dad ran the large wood fired steam engine. A long belt ran to the shearing gear. One day Dad's coat became tangled in the belt. I don't know why he wasn't killed.

The children attending 'Hollybrook' were John and Rosemary Hill, Ray, Cecil and Margaret Cole, Hugh, Cam. and Nellie Clapham - and myself of course.

I went to 'Sunshine' school for a while but did not last long there. I then went to Bathurst Public School in George Street. I stayed with the Hills in Rocket Street. This was the worst period of my life. I used to ride my bike back to Limekilns on Friday and back to Bathurst on Monday morning.

'Willowdale'. I always looked forward to when Ee, and Mary (Churches) and family came out.

Aunty Mary was a wonderful cook and we always had some good cakes to eat.

Alex and I would walk up the paddock - I am not sure what for - but I still remember birds nesting in the tree stumps. There were larks and I not sure of the others - they were a blue/grey colour - might have been swifts.

We used to attend wonderful dances at 'Tabberatong'. Again we had lovely cakes etc for suppers. We danced to music played on the gramophone. It used to run down and someone would rush and wind it up again.

I worked at 'Alice Dale' for Frank Tobin for a while. I had to milk the cows before I started work. Then I had to walk from 'Glen Roy' to start work at 7.30 am. Finished work at 5.30 and then penned up the calves for the night and got wood in for Mrs. Tobin.

'Rosedale' Hotel was run by Jim Tobin, Senior. He had a long beard. Jim, junior, and Tom were there as well. I never knew Mrs. Tobin.

The kitchen was well apart from the main building. The fire place took up one wall with seats around inside the fire place. There were doors opposite and a horse would drag a huge log in and it would be barded into the fireplace and would keep burning for over a week. (barded - two men would push the log into the fire place using crow bars.)

We rode bikes to Wattle Flat for dances in the school. We went up Paling Yards hill which was steep, rough and winding. They were great dances, I think because no drink was allowed. We would ride home in the dark. Usually got home about 4 or 5 a.m.

First place on the left - not sure if the old building was where Ben Chifley went to school or where his grandfather lived.

Next on the right was a bark hut - A Mr. Tobin lived there. He wore an army coat, trousers and jacket in winter and summer. Next place on the left another Mr. Tobin lived. He wore very short shorts and no top a lot of the time - winter and summer. Last on the left is where Archie and Mid Wood lived. She was a Tobin from 'Tabberatong'.

Palmer's Oakley Road. First place on the right was another Tobin house. He would not allow visitors. Sometimes he would produce a gun and also had dogs.

Next place called 'Roxborough' where Athol and Mrs. Tobin lived.

Next - Ossie and Mary Stark and children.

Next Jack and Millie Tobin. He was wireless crazy - wires etc. all over the house. I think he was also a pilot.



MARY BYERS ERIC CHURCHES

## HENRY J MELTON

**Henry J MELTON**, son of Francis MELTON/ Elizabeth WILBY

b 8 Oct 1826 Barford Norfolk ENG. d 14 June 1911 1 Lambert St, Bathurst Married

**Margaret TOOLE** b 6 Jan 1829 Loggan Wexford IRE d 23 July 1902 Bathurst

Sailed per *David McIvor* arrived Sydney 25 Aug 1853

Nine children-

\* William John MELTON b 1856 d 10 Feb 1925

m 1890 Bridget TRAVERS (nee TOOLE) first cousin

\* Elizabeth Johanna MELTON/O'BRIEN/GAFFNEY/ KELLY b 1858 d 17 Aug 1943 Hurstville

m [1] 28 Feb 1876 David O'BRIEN b 1839 d 1883

m [2] 6 April 1885 Daniel GAFFNEY d 1902

m [3] 1911 John KELLY d 1956

\* Thomas James MELTON b 1859 Bathurst d 29 April 1942 Woy Woy

m Elenor Louisa FEATHERSTON HAUGH b 1873 d 1954

\* Annie Theresa MELTON b 1861 Bathurst d 8 Feb 1932 Nth Bondi

m James Joseph JOHNSTON b 1883 d 1948

\* Catherine MELTON b 1863 Bathurst d 19 Jan 1936 Hurstville

m Frederick Henry COWLEN b 1860 d 1927

\* John MELTON b 1866 Bathurst d 12 Mar 1887 Bathurst

\* Francis Joseph MELTON b 1873 d 26 Jan 1916 Lithgow

m Frances Jane MARION b 1878 d 1958

\* James MELTON [1] b 1874 Bathurst d 1874 Bathurst

\* James Francis MELTON b 1876 Bathurst d 14 May 1950 Port Macquarie

m Lily Charity CARR b 1881 d 1960

## JOHN ROURKE

**John ROURKE**, son of Thomas ROURKE/ Margaret KILTY b 2 April 1828 Killinierin Wexford IRE d 5 Feb 1910

Limekilns Bathurst NSW Married 15 May 1857 St Marys Sydney.

**Mary TOOLE** b 9 Mar 1834 Laggan Wexford IRE d 12 August 1915 Wattle Flat NSW

Sailed: per *Patrician* arrived Port Jackson 31 Oct 1854

Children-

\*Margaret ROURKE b 1858 Sydney d 1932 Bathurst

\*Thomas ROURKE b 1859 Sydney d 4 Jan 1864 Sydney

\*Bridget ROURKE b 1861 Sydney d 4 July 1928 Glebe.

m James MCQUADE b 1857 d 1918

\*Ellen ROURKE b 1863 Sydney d 10 Nov 1933 Kensington NSW

\*Mary Anne ROURKE b 1864 Sydney d 3 April 1942 Crows Nest

m William Henry MCCUDDEN b 1865 d 1924

\*Johanna Mary ROURKE b 1866 Bathurst d 20 Nov 1944 Bathurst

m 1899 Robert BELL b 1865 d 1944

\*Catherine ROURKE b 1868 Bathurst d 1928 Portland NSW

m 1904 Thomas Francis MAGEE.

\*John Joseph ROURKE b 1871 Bathurst d 11 July 1953 Cootamundra

m 1906 Tumut - Ellen Mary Albertine HEALE b 1871 d 1959

\*James Joseph ROURKE b 15 June 1873 Wattle Flat d 19 June 1873 Wattle Flat

\*Thomas James ROURKE b 1874 Bathurst d 27 Dec 1932.

m Emily KIRKMAN b 1877 d 1962

\*Tobias Martin ROURKE b 1880 Bathurst d 6 Mar 1881 Bathurst

**LARNACH.**

- |   |                 |  |                                    |
|---|-----------------|--|------------------------------------|
| 1 | George Larnach  | Married Jane Stevenson, 1856 in Bathurst |                                    |
|   | <i>Children</i> |  |                                    |
|   | i               | Jane Larnach                             | b. 1857 Bathurst.                  |
|   | ii              | George Larnach                           | b. 1859 Bathurst. d. Bathurst 1879 |
|   | iii             | Mary Larnach                             | b. 1862 Bathurst. d. Bathurst 1864 |
|   | iv              | Margaret Larnach                         | b. 1865 Carcoar.                   |
|   | v               | Helen Larnach                            | b. 1868 Carcoar.                   |
| 2 | vi              | William Archibald Larnach                | b. 1869 Carcoar.                   |
|   | vii             | Emily Mary Larnach                       | b. 1871 Carcoar                    |
|   | viii            | Edith Maude Larnach                      | b. 1874 Carcoar                    |
|   | ix              | Unnamed Female                           | b. 1877 Carcoar d. Carcoar 1877    |

## Generation Two

2. William Archibald Larnach. B. 1869. m (1) Annie E Mendham, 1899 in Rockley, she died 1804 in Bathurst. He m (2) Charlotte M Hurford, 1908 in Glebe.  
*Children by Annie E Mendham;*  
i Stanley Lorin Larnach b. 1-1-1900 Rockley  
ii Archie Mendham Larnach b. 1901 Rockley  
*Children by Charlotte M Hurford.*  
iii Noel Sidney Larnach b. 1909 Bathurst, Married Betty Oake 1935 Redfern  
iv Harold William Larnach b. 1911 Bathurst, M. Phyllis Lucy Derrick 1937 Canterbury.  
v Ralph Hurford Larnach b. 1912 Bathurst, M. Muriel Sydney Morton 1942 Rockdale.  
vi Raymond Maurice Larnach b. 1913 Bathurst, M. Mabel Hore  
vii Ruth Marjorie Larnach b. 1916 Bathurst. M. Thomas Filby.  
viii Kenneth Stevenson Larnach b. 1918 Bathurst. M. Hazel Irene Ditton 1940 Camden.



WILLIAM ARCHIBALD LARNACH.  
Manager "Dulcis Vale"

# JOHN DANIEL FITZGERALD

Teacher at Limekilns

John Daniel Fitzgerald was born 1821 Co Limerick Ireland to John M. Fitzgerald and Mary name unknown.

He married Mary nee: Culhane in 1856 both from Co. Limerick Ireland.

It appears Mr and Mrs Fitzgerald were in the Shellharbour area in 1860-61, for in 1862 it was stated a school was in operation under their charge for some 18 months, with Mr and Mrs Fitzgerald as teachers. Residents wished to see a national school established, and Mr and Mrs Fitzgerald were willing to act as teachers with 21 boys and 13 girls enrolled. The school was a wooden building of a schoolroom and class room, situated on land of Mrs Mary Hollings and was available for instruction as a national school.

Their first son Daniel was born in New Zealand in 1859, and sons John Daniel in 1862 Shellharbour and Thomas in 1865 Shellharbour, registered at Kiama.

John Daniel and Mary Fitzgerald's son John Daniel became famous as quoted: *"John Daniel Fitzgerald was born into an Irish Catholic family at Shellharbour New South Wales in 1862 and remained a devout Catholic. Rising from humble beginnings and overcoming the early death of his father, he had a diverse working life, being at various times a factory worker, compositor, unionist, journalist, politician and lawyer"*

*Ref: excerpts RAHS Journal Vol 90 Part I. Page 55*

"The Case of John Daniel Fitzgerald" by Stefan Petrow. John Daniel Fitzgerald son of John Daniel and Mary Fitzgerald, born 11 June 1862 Shellharbour, New South Wales, married in England 1892 on 26 May, at Chelsea registry office, Octavie Camille Clara Ernestine Roche, 'a cultivated Frenchwoman'.

The Australian Dictionary of Biography stated he was educated at the local public school, and at Fort Street and St. Mary's Cathedral schools Sydney. He died at his home Darling Point on 4 July 1922 and was buried in the Catholic section Waverley Cemetery. He was survived by his daughter known as Galatea Clarke, a noted singer in America. A portrait by Longstaff, his close friend, is in Sydney Town Hall and Fitzgerald Avenue Maroubra is named after him'. Also stated, he was of medium build, handsome, with a style and assurance complemented by a well trimmed moustache and Vandyke beard.

His parents John Daniel and Mary Fitzgerald carried on teaching at Dunmore until 1868 when the school closed. Mr Fitzgerald resigned from the Council of Education to become a teacher at a newly established private school near Coolangatta Queensland. Mr William Crawford took over as teacher in 1869 when the residents constructed a new school as the first Peterborough School on Fullers Estate. Due to poor conditions William Crawford resigned, and a second Peterborough School was erected in 1873 with Henry Martin appointed teacher. However, the new building proved to be just as unsatisfactory. In 1881 a new site for a school was acquired of 2 acres resumed from land of Mr G.L. Fuller opposite the previous Peterborough school sites and opened for attendance in 1883, and named Minnamurra School. Due to declining attendances the school closed in 1907 and is now known as The Old School House Dunmore.

Further research found John Daniel and Mary Fitzgerald and family living at Lime Kilns school house in the Bathurst area. The Grevilles 1872 Directory lists John D. Fitzgerald as Post Master Limekilns, John died on 9th January 1872 aged 51 years at Limekilns school. His death resulted in a Magisterial Inquiry held in the Public School House at Lime Kilns on January 10th 1872.

Sons Daniel and Thomas went on to become the famous Circus Fitzgerald Bros travelling the world with their Circus and Menagerie. *'Messrs Daniel and Thomas Fitzgerald two well known circus and show men from Sydney N.S.W. arrived in town this evening on a visit to their uncle, Mr Maurice Culhane. Brothers to Mr J.D. Fitzgerald the well-known MP for East Sydney will go to New York City, London, Paris, Naples and other European cities. They are making a tour around the world'. (Auckland Star 27 July 1895)*

In 1896 they were performing in Sydney near the railway station under their huge tent and performed for the deaf and blind children, and other institutions as well and in Melbourne. Daniel died in Melbourne Vic. Aged 46 years, 3 February 1906. Daily Telegraph. 'Daniel Fitzgerald of the firm of Fitzgerald Bros was born in Auckland 1859. As a child he went with his parents to New South Wales and settled in the Illawarra district. His father was a school teacher and they moved to Bathurst district. In 1878 Daniel began his circus career with Mr Burton and entered into the business with his brother as Fitzgerald Bros. He developed heart trouble aggravated by bronchial asthma. He left a 13 year old daughter who is at the convent school North Sydney. Daniel was buried at Waverley Cemetery Roman Catholic section'.

## McCUDDEN

Francis and Eliza McCudden, arrived on the '*Herald*' in 1841, from Loughgall Ireland

They were involved in gold mining and had hotels at WattleFlat

Children.

1852	Elizabeth	m	Jehu Say	Sydney	SEE SAY TREE
1856	Francis	m	Ellen O'Dwyer	Bathurst	
1856	William Henry	m	Bridget Miller	Bathurst	
1857	Sarah Ann	m	Samuel Jagoe	Bathurst	
1868	Samuel	m	Ellen Gorman	Bathurst	
1871	John Patrick	m	Alice Tobin	Bathurst	SEE TOBIN TREE
1881	James	m	Catherine O'Gorman	Sofala	

There is a story that the McCuddens had land grants in the north/east part of Limekilns. They sheltered a run away convict and had the grants revoked. The Irish prevailed and they got their land back.

## McEVOY

- 1 Patrick McEvoy. Son of Jeremiah (Darby) McEvoy and Margaret Keefe.  
He married Georgina Rankin Sinclair, 1873 in Bathurst. SEE SINCLAIR TREE

Children:

- i. Ethel Blanche M G R McEvoy, b. 1874 in Bathurst. m William H Mayo, 1894
- ii. William Norman McEvoy, b. 1876 in Bathurst. m Mary A Roach, 1899 in Bathurst.
- iii. Catherine McEvoy, b. 1877 in Bathurst. m Herbert Bayliss, 1897 in Bathurst.
- iv. Ernest McEvoy, b. 1878 in Bathurst, d. 1887 in Bathurst.
- v. John Herbert McEvoy, b. 1880 in Bathurst. m Rosanna Speering 1911 in Bathurst
- vi. Louisa M McEvoy, b. 1882 in Bathurst.
- vii. Patrick A McEvoy, b. 1885 in Bathurst. m Beatrice L Checketts, 1911 in Orange.
- viii. Francis W McEvoy, b. 1886 in Bathurst, d. 1886 in Bathurst.
- ix. Bertie A McEvoy, b. 1888 in Bathurst. m Ruby E Dulhunty 1912 in Bathurst.
- x. Adelaide McEvoy, b. 1890 in Bathurst, d. 1892 in Bathurst.
- xi. Murial G McEvoy, b. 1894 in Wattle Flat. M Arthur H Connell 1812 in Bathurst.



MINERS CAMP



## McKINNON

McKinnons came to Aust 1839 per the "Boyne", also on board Rev. Colin Stewart.

- I. Ewen McKinnon, b. 1777 in Kilmonivaig Invernesshire Scotland (son of Angus McKinnon and Margaret McDonald), d. 12-02-1847 in Limekilns, buried 14-02-1847 in Bathurst Presbyterian Section. (Age 73 on headstone), native of Lochaber Scotland. He married Marcella McMullen, 17-04-1806 in Kilmonivaig Invernesshire Scotland, b. 1788 in Morven Argyleshire Scotland ( daughter of Peter McMillen and Marcella McDermott), d. 12-12-1862 in Limekilns, buried 14-12-1862 in Bathurst Presbyterian Section. Marcella: Father Peter McMillan, Mother Mary McDermott. Cause of death, lupus. Age 78 on headstone.

Children:

- i....John McKinnon, b. 01-03-1807 in Kilmonivaig Inverness Scotland, d. 00-07-1824 in Kilmonivaig Inverness Scotland.
2. ii. Peter Leonard McKinnon b. 00-11-1808.
3. iii. Donald McKinnon b. 22-09-1810.
- iv. Margaret McKinnon, b. 04-10-1812 in Kilmonivaig Inverness Scotland, d. 08-10-1833 in Kilmonivaig Inverness Scotland.
- v. Alexander McKinnon, b. 22-09-1814 in Kilmonivaig Inverness Scotland, d. 21-12-1833 in Kilmonivaig Inverness Scotland.
- vi. Ewen McKinnon, b. 06-10-1816 in Invernesshire Scotland, d. 1885 in Tumut.
4. vii. Mary McKinnon b. 23-02-1820.
5. viii. Duncan McKinnon b. 01-12-1821.
6. ix. Catherine McKinnon b. 09-10-1823.
7. x. John McKinnon b. 04-01-1826.
8. xi. Janet McKinnon b. 1829.
9. xii. Archibald McKinnon b. 17-10-1830.

### Generation Two

2. Peter Leonard McKinnon, b. 00-11-1808 in Invernesshire Scotland, d. 31-08-1886 at "Warrie" Palmers Oakey, buried 02-09-1886 in Palmers Oakey. He married Janet Ferguson, 20-05-1841 in "Yarras" Bathurst, b. 1821 in Isle of Skye Scotland, d. 25-11-1902 in Palmers Oakey, buried 27-11-1902 in Palmers Oakey.

Children:

- i. Gwen McKinnon.
- ii. Ewen McKinnon, b. 14-03-1843 in Limekilns.
10. iii. Duncan McKinnon b. 01-01-1845.
11. iv. Janet McKinnon b. 20-08-1846.
12. v. Mary McKinnon b. 24-02-1849.
13. vi. John Alexander McKinnon b. 12-11-1850.
- vii Margaret McKinnon, b. 23-09-1852.
14. viii. Peter McKinnon b. 1855.
- ix. Archibald A McKinnon, b. 1857, d. 1910 in Wattle Flat. He married Sarah A Bonfield, 1888 in Sofala.
- x. Donald McKinnon, b. 08-12-1859 in Palmers Oakey, d. 1891.
- xi. William Cameron McKinnon, b. 05-02-1862 in Palmers Oakey, d. 1865.

3. Donald McKinnon, b. 22-09-1810 in Invernesshire Scotland, d. 27-07-1862 in Russell St Bathurst, buried 30-07-1862 in Presbyterian Section Bathurst. He married Catherine McKay, 1842 in Green Swamp (Walang) near Bathurst, b. 1822 in Isle of Coll ( daughter of Lachlan McKay and Ann Stewart), d. 1898 in Orange. 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.
15. ii. Annie McKinnon b. 1845.
- iii. May McKinnon, b. 06-12-1846 in Limekilns.
- iv. Hugh Lachlan McKinnon, b. 21-04-1848 in County Cook.
- v. Mary Eliza McKinnon, b. 1850 in Bathurst.
- vi. Margaret McKinnon, b. 1852 in Bathurst.
- vii. Isabella McKinnon, b. 1854 in Meroo.
- viii. Jessie McKinnon, b. 1855 in Bathurst.
- ix. Catherine McKinnon, b. 1857 in Bathurst.
- x. Emily E McKinnon, b. 1859 in Carcoar.
- xi. Lachlan Donald McKinnon, b. 02-12-1861 in Orange, d. 1895 in Dubbo.

5. Mary McKinnon, b. 23-02-1820 in Invernesshire Scotland, d. 25-05-1905. She married John McKay, 29-09-1842 in Bathurst, b. 1818 in Derrivag Mull (son of Lachlan McKay and Ann Stewart), d. 21-12-1863. John: Elder of St Stephens Pres. Church & Alderman on Bathurst Council.

Children:

- i. Margaret McKay, b. 27-08-1843 in Bathurst. m Henry Makin, 1861 in Bathurst.
- ii. Hector McKay, b. 1845 in County Cook.
- iii. Hugh McKay, b. 1847 in Hill End.
- iv. Lachlan McKay, b. 1849 in Summer Hill.
- v. John F McKay, b. 1854 in Bathurst, d. 1873 in Bathurst.
- vi. Alexander A S McKay, b. 1856 in Bathurst. m Lydia Elphick, 1879 in Bathurst.
- vii. George D McKay, b. 1858 in Bathurst.
- viii. Marcella A McKay, b. 1861 in Bathurst.
- ix. Jessie McKay, b. 1863 in Bathurst. m Harry M Hawkins, 1887 in Bathurst.

**5.** Duncan McKinnon, b. 01-12-1821 in Kilmonivaig Inverness Scotland, d. 18-05-1900. Duncan opened the "Limekilns Inn", December 1852 & held the licence till 1861. He married Catherine McMaster, 27-07-1854 in Sydney.

Children:

- i. Catherine McKinnon, b. 1855 in Meroo, d. 1874. m Peter Kelly, 1882 in Tumut.
- ii. Ewen A McKinnon, b. 1857 in Bathurst, d. 1867 in Tumut.
- iii. Margaret McKinnon, b. 1858 in Bathurst.
- iv. Allan McKinnon, b. 16-05-1860 in Bathurst.
- v. Marcella J McKinnon, b. 1863 in Bathurst.
- vi. Duncan D McKinnon, b. 06-08-1865 in Bathurst, d. 1886 in Tumut.
- vii. Female McKinnon, b. 1867 in Tumut.
- viii. Female McKinnon, b. 1869 in Tumut.
- ix. Unnamed McKinnon, b. 1871 in Tumut.
- x. John McKinnon, b. 1874 in Tumut.
- xi. Ewen A McKinnon, b. 1864 in Tumut.
- xii. Isabella M McKinnon, b. 1870 in Tumut, d. 1870 in Tumut.
- xiii. Catherine McKinnon, b. 1874 in Tumut, d. 1874 in Tumut.
- xiv. Duncan D McKinnon, b. 1886 in Tumut, d. 1886 in Tumut.

- 6.** Catherine McKinnon, b. 09-10-1823 in Kilmonivaig Inverness Scotland, d. 1881 in Evans Plains. She married (1) Alexander Glassford Campbell, 1863 in Sofala, d. 1881 in Evans Plains. She married (2) John Easson, 1848 in Pitt Town.

Children by Alexander Glassford Campbell:

16. i. Ewen D Campbell b. 1864.
- 7.** John McKinnon, b. 04-01-1826 in Kilmonivaig. Inverness Scotland, d. 18-09-1907 in Limekilns, buried 20-09-1907 in Bathurst Presbyterian. He married Catherine Ferguson, 04-10-1855 in Bathurst, b. 1826 in Scotland, d. 31-05-1920 in Limekilns, buried in Presbyterian Section Bathurst.

Children:

- i... Annie Janet McKinnon, b. 19-06-1856 in Limekilns, d. 22-10-1879 in Limekilns, buried 23-10-1879 in Presbyterian Section Bathurst.
- ii. Ewen P McKinnon, b. 20-08-1857 in Limekilns, d. 20-08-1857 in Limekilns.
17. iii. Marcella M McKinnon b. 02-06-1859.
18. iv. Duncan Ferguson McKinnon b. 11-04-1861.
- v. John F McKinnon, b. 00-00-1861 in Bathurst.
- vi. John Donald McKinnon, b. 03-12-1862 in Limekilns, d. 17-05-1891 in Limekilns, buried in Presbyterian Section Bathurst.
- vii. Alexander W McKinnon, b. 04-09-1864 in Limekilns, d. 11-08-1894 in Wattle Flat, fell from his horse, buried 14-08-1894 in Bathurst.
- viii. George Busby McKinnon, b. 13-06-1866 in Limekilns, d. 17-03-1941 in Bathurst, buried in Presbyterian Section Bathurst.
19. ix. Catherine Ferguson McKinnon b. 09-08-1870.

**8.** Janet McKinnon, b. 1829 in Kilmonivaig Inverness Scotland, d. 1903 in Bathurst. She married Hugh McKay, 1851 in Bathurst, b. 1828 in Isle of Coll (son of Lachlan McKay and Ann Stewart), d. 1903 in Bathurst. Hugh: Settled at Evans Plains.

Children:

- i. Isabella McKay, b. 23-01-1851.
- ii. Hector McKay, b. 1857 in Bathurst.
- iii. Margaret McKay, b. 1858 in Bathurst.
20. iv. Catherine Emily McKay, b. 19-10-1860.

9. Archibald McKinnon, b. 17-10-1830 in Kilmaille Argyllshire Scotland, d. 1917 in Bathurst. He married Mary Ferguson, 24-06-1861 in Sydney, b. 1828 in Scotland, d. 16-09-1907 in Bathurst, buried in Bathurst.

Children:

- 21. i. Frederick Joseph McKinnon b. 1862.
- ii. Marcella McKinnon, b. 1863.
- iii. John McKinnon, b. 1864.
- 22. iv. Duncan Ewen McKinnon b. 1866.
- v. Elizabeth GS McKinnon, b. 20-03-1869, d. 1878.
- vi. Archibald Donald McKinnon, b. 1871.

### Generation Three

10. Duncan McKinnon, b. 01-01-1845 in Palmers Oakey, d. 27-02-1923 in Palmers Oakey, buried in Palmers Oakey. He married Sarah Louisa Banning, 23-01-1877 in Palmers Oakey, b. 16-07-1859, d. 12-09-1947 in "Oaks" Palmers Oakey, buried in Palmers Oakey

Children:

- 23. i. William John McKinnon b. 05-04-1878.
- ii. Elizabeth Janet McKinnon, b. 15-01-1880 in Palmers Oakey, d. 13-07-1948 in Palmers Oakey, buried in Palmers Oakey. She married Ewen McColl Ferguson, 24-09-1913 in Palmers Oakey, by Rev.H H Morrington, b. 18-04-1878 in Palmers Oakey, d. 22-04-1943 in Palmers Oakey, buried in Palmers Oakey.
- iii. Alice Ann McKinnon, b. 15-03-1882 in Palmers Oakey, d. 28-03-1890 in Palmers Oakey.
- iv. Ewen Peter McKinnon b. 05-01-1893.
- 25. vii. Henrietta McKinnon b. 30-04-1895.
- 26. viii. Duncan Leslie McKinnon b. 03-04-1898.
- ix. Stanley Clive McKinnon, b. 13-02-1902 in Palmers Oakey, d. 30-06-1985 in Bathurst, buried 03-07-1985 in Bathurst. m Marjorie Jean Churches, 1936 in Bathurst. SEE CHURCHES TREE

11. Janet McKinnon, b. 20-08-1846 in Limekilns, d. 1900 in Kandos, buried in Kandos. She married William Stapley, 11-02-1874 in Sofala, b. 1841, d. 16-04-1899 in Airley.

Children:

- i. Jessey F Stapley, b. 1875 in Rylstone, d. 1875 in Rylstone.
- 27. ii. Janet Mary Stapley b. 28-05-1876.
- 28. iii. Elizabeth Margaret Stapley b. 1879.
- iv. Archibald William Donald, b. 1882, d. 1956.
- 29. v. Thomas J Stapley b. 1889.

12. Mary McKinnon, b. 24-02-1849 in Limekilns, d. 28-02-1923 in "Strathmore" Private Hospital Bathurst, buried 02-03-1923 in Palmers Oakey. She married David Dewar Munro, 03-01-1868 in Palmers Oakey, b. 09-01-1835 in Fochabers, Morayshire Bellie Scotland, d. 25-04-1915 in Palmers Oakey, buried 27-04-1915 in Palmers Oakey. David: Studied Pharmacy Edinburgh Uni. Left Dundee per "*Scottish Maid*" 16-04-1853. Clerk Bank NSW in Vic.

Children:

- 30. i. Mary Jane Munro b. 01-07-1866.
- 31. ii. Finlay Dalrymple Munro b. 14-09-1868.
- iii. Janet Catherine Munro, b. 03-06-1870 in Palmers Oakey, d. 22-09-1945 in Burwood, buried 24-09-1945 in Rookwood Crem. Spinster.
- iv. Anne Martha Munro, b. 28-12-1871 in Palmers Oakey, d. 28-10-1945 in St Vincents Bathurst, buried 30-10-1945 in Bathurst. Spinster.
- 32. v. Peter Archibald Munro b. 28-09-1873.
- 33. vi. Margareta Munro.b. 21-12-1877.
- 34. vii. Elizabeth Sarah Munro b. 24-04-1880.
- 35. viii. Robert Charles Munro b. 10-11-1882.
- 36. ix. Martha Helen Munro b. 14-01-1885.
- x. Charles William Munro, b. 30-09-1887 in Palmers Oakey, d. 31-07-1891 in Palmers Oakey, buried 02-08-1891 in Palmers Oakey.
- 37. xi. Ethel Elgin Munro b. 30-10-1889.

13. John Alexander McKinnon, b. 12-11-1850. m Mary A Millett, 1873 in Bathurst, b. 1857 in Sofala.

Children:

- i. Mary Laura McKinnon, b. 1873 in Sofala.
- ii. Janet Mabyn McKinnon, b. 1875 in Sofala.
- iii. Lillian Helen McKinnon, b. 17-02-1877 in Palmers Oakey, d. 1941, buried in Bowenfels. She married Edward Thomas Wolfenden, 1897 in Sunny Corner, b. 04-01-1873 in Home Rule NSW, d. 07-09-1940, buried in Bowenfels.

- iv. Peter William McKinnon, b. 1879 in Sofala, d. 1891.
- v. Archibald W McKinnon, b. 1881 in Sofala. m Ruby S Radnor, 1908 in Redfern.
- vi. Edward D McKinnon, b. 1883 in East Mac. m Elizabeth Robinson, 1910 in Wallsend.
- vii. Mary A McKinnon, b. 1886 in East Mac. M Charles JV Mitchell, -1911 in Rylstone.
- viii. Alice A McKinnon, b. 1888 in East Mac. M James Perritt, 1909 in Lithgow.
- ix. Ruby L McKinnon, b. 1891 in Sofala.
- x. Ada M McKinnon, b. 1893 in Sofala. m James Inkpen, 1919 in Auburn.
- xi. Ivy E McKinnon, b. 1896 in Sofala. m Montgomery J Sheppard, 1920 in Sydney.

**14.** Peter McKinnon, b. 1855, d. 17-08-1934 in 34 Marlborough Rd Flemington NSW, buried 18-08-1934 in Rookwood. He married (1) Maria Hannah Casey, 01-03-1876 in Palmers Oakey, b. 09-09-1854 in Sydney, d. 00-08-1886 in Sofala. Maria: Father Richard Casey, mother Maria Owen. He married (2) Willina Ferguson, 1890 in Sydney, b. 22-04-1867 in Palmers Oakey, d. 1925 in Flemington NSW.

Children by Maria Hannah Casey:

- 38. i. William Cameron McKinnon b. 14-01-1877.
- ii. Marsella H McKinnon, b. 02-10-1878 in Sofala, d. 1899 in Bathurst.
- iii. Ewen Peter McKinnon, b. 05-03-1880, d. 1880 in 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 Rebecca A Stanton, 1921 in Redfern.

Children by Willina Ferguson:

- viii. Jock Ferguson, b. 19-08-18??
- ix. Virginia McKinnon, b. 1891, d. 1891 in Burwood.
- 39. x. Allan Peter McKinnon b. 02-05-1892.
- xi. Jennie V McKinnon, b. 1895. She married William McDonell, 1935.
- xii. Dorothy I McKinnon, b. 1895.
- xiii. Beryl McKinnon, b. 1897, d. 1899 in Burwood.
- Xiv. Mable McKinnon, b. 1901. She married John C Thew, 1924.

**15.** Annie McKinnon, b. 1845 in Green Swamp.. m James McClymont, 1865 in Orange.

Children:

- i. Catherine Mary McClymont, b. 06-01-1867 in Wellington.
- ii. Alexander George McClymont, b. 1870 in Wellington.
- iii. Donald S McClymont, b. 1873 in Wellington, d. 1873 in Wellington.
- iv. Andrew Harold McClymont, b. 1874 in Wellington.
- v. Jessie J McClymont, b. 1877 in Orange.
- vi. James McClymont, b. 1880 in Orange.
- vii. Nina McClymont, b. 1882 in Orange, d. 1883.
- viii. Charles G McClymont, b. 1885 in Orange.
- ix. Reginald K McClymont, b. 1887 in Orange.

**16.** Ewen D Campbell, b. 1864 in Sofala. He married Mary MacLennan, 1887 in Macquarie.

Children:

- i. Alexander G Campbell, b. 1888 in West Mac. m Louisa C Northwood, 1914 in Young.
- ii. Olive G Campbell, b. 1889 in Bathurst.
- iii. Eileen K Campbell, b. 1891 in Bathurst.

**17.** Marcella M McKinnon, b. 02-06-1859 in Limekilns, d. 09-05-1917 in Limekilns. She married William Bonfield, 1890 in Bathurst.

Children:

- i. George R Bonfield, b. 1891.
- 18.** Duncan Ferguson McKinnon, b. 12-04-1861 in Limekilns, d. 28-08-1895 in Limekilns, buried in Bathurst. He married Alice Ray, 1891 in Wattle Flat.

Children:

- i. Stewart Hamilton McKinnon, b. 1892 in Bathurst, d. 1899 in Bathurst, b. in Bathurst.
- ii. John D McKinnon, b. 1894 in Wattle Flat.

**19.** Catherine Ferguson McKinnon, b. 09-08-1870 in Limekilns, d. 14-12-1943 in Bathurst, buried in Bathurst. She married Ernest Clarence Ingram, 25-09-1899 in Bathurst, b. 11-12-1876 in Vegetable Creek (son of John Armstrong Ingram and Martha Reid), d. 02-02-1933 in Collie West Australia, buried 03-02-1933 in Collie

Children:

- 40. i. Marcella Letitia Ingram b. 12-10-1900.

20. Catherine Emily McKay, b. 19-10-1860 in Bathurst, d. 15-08-1940 in Bathurst Hospital.  
Died from burns. m Donald McMillan, 24-07-1882 in Bathurst, b. 01-09-1856 in Bathurst (son of Angus McMillan and Mary Cameron), d. 13-10-1938 in Bathurst.

Children:

- i... Jessica Isabella McMillan, b. 07-07-1883 in Bathurst, d. 09-09-1942 in Bathurst.
- ii. Donald Alexander McMillan, b. 01-02-1885 in Bathurst, d. 23-07-1975 in Bathurst.
- iii. Mary Helena McMillan, b. 26-03-1887 in Bathurst, d. 01-12-1969.
- iv. Ewan Thomas McMillan, b. 27-01-1891 in Bathurst, d. 18-03-1983 in Bathurst.
- 41. v. Marcella Margaret McMillan b. 09-08-1894.
- vi. Angus Garnett McMillan, b. 25-02-1897 in Bathurst, d. 08-09-1958.
- vii. Catherine Emily McMillan, b. 26-09-1999 in Bathurst, d. 02-12-1975 in Bathurst.
- viii Sarah Cameron McMillan, b. 01-04-1900, d. 18-05-1993.
- ix. James Hector Home Stewart McMillan, b. 21-05-1902, d. 07-12-1984.
- x. ??? McMillan, b. 11-11-1904, d. 11-11-1904.
- xi. Martha Anne Constance McMillan, b. 13-05-1906 in Bathurst, d. 15-09-1986.

21. Frederick Joseph McKinnon, b. 1862 in Bathurst, d. 1918 in Portland. m Sarah Jane Montgomery, 28-05-1888 in Sunny Corner, b. 24-04-1872 in West Mitchell.

Children:

- i... Eliza G C McKinnon, b. 1888 in East Macquarie. She married Horace A MacKenzie, 1915 in Portland.
- ii. Mary A J McKinnon, b. 1891 in Sunny Corner. She married Charles J W Mitchell, 1911 Rylstone.
- iii. Frederick G J McKinnon, b. 1893 in Sunny Corner. m Ivy C Robertson, 1929 in Lithgow.
- iv. Alexander W E McKinnon, b. 1895 in Sunny Corner.
- v. John D McKinnon, b. 1897 in Sunny Corner, d. 1899 in Sunny Corner.
- vi. Irene S J McKinnon, b. 1900 in Sunny Corner, d. 1901 in Sunny Corner.
- vii. Kathleen M McKinnon, b. 1903 in Rylstone. She married Albert E H A Nicholls, 1917 in Portland.
- viii. Duncan E C McKinnon, b. 1905 in Rylstone. m Queenie L Griffiths, 1928 in Newtown.
- ix. Dulcie E V McKinnon, b. 1908 in Rylstone. m Thomas M Carmody, 1928 in Petersham.
- x. Doris E E McKinnon, b. 1909 in Rylstone.

22. Duncan Ewen McKinnon, b. 1866, d. 1937. He married Lucy Hannah Stacey, 02-10-1895 in Capertee, b. 1875. Lucy: Father George Stacey Mother Hannah Sherrey.

Children:

- 42. i. Hilda Grace McKinnon b. 1896.
- 43. ii. Doris Gwenevere Hannah Mary McKinnon b. 1897.
- iii. Gladys Stacy McKinnon, b. 1900. m James A Foley, 1923.
- 44. iv. Duncan John Elmo McKinnon b. 1907.
- 45. v. Joyce Adelene McKinnon b. 1913.
- vi. Herbert George Eric McKinnon, b. 1916, d. 2000.

#### Generation Four

23. William John McKinnon, b. 05-04-1878 in Palmers Oakey. He married Nellie Arkman, 1909 in Waterloo, b. 11-11-1887 in Nt. Sydney. Nellie: Daughter of a Finnish hotelkeeper.

Children:

- i... Oscar Francis McKinnon, b. 06-07-1915 in Royal Hospital Sydney. He married Enid Grace Valentine Wrigley, 1939 in Nt Sydney.

24. Ewen Peter McKinnon, b. 05-01-1893 in Palmers Oakey, d. 09-07-1941. He married Jessie Lawler, 25-11-1925 in Portland, b. 07-02-1898.

Children:

- 46. i. Leslie Phillip McKinnon
- 47. ii. Ivy May McKinnon
- 48. iii. Enid Mary McKinnon

25. Henrietta McKinnon, b. 30-04-1895 in Palmers Oakey, d. 26-05-1921. She married Christopher W Thompson, 20-11-1919 in Portland, by Rev Bromhead.

Children:

- i. Infant, b. 00-04-1921, d. 26-05-1921.

26. Duncan Leslie McKinnon, b. 03-04-1898 in Palmers Oakey, d. 01-08-1983 in Hornsby, buried 04-08-1983 in Bathurst. He married Marcella Letitia Ingram, 28-12-1928 in Bathurst, b. 12-10-1900 in Limekilns (daughter of Ernest Clarence Ingram and Catherine Ferguson McKinnon), d. 04-04-1989 in Newcastle, buried 07-04-1989 in Bathurst.

Children:

- i. Kevin John McKinnon, d. 06-05-2011 in Sydney, buried 11-05-2011.
- ii. Gweneth Merle McKinnon, She married Eric Clark.

**27.** Janet Mary Stapley, b. 28-05-1876 in Ilford, d. 11-01-1916 in Bowral, buried in Bowral. She married Joseph Henry Stapley, 04-08-1896 in St Peters Woolloomooloo, b. 13-07-1873 in Tambarooar, d. 06-09-1917 in Bowral, buried in Bowral. Joseph: Father Thomas mother Lucy Ann Clarke.

Children:

- i. Arthur Joseph Stapley, b. 11-05-1897 in Airley. He married Mary Timbs, 1927 in Dapto.
- ii. Ivy Lillian Stapley, b. 29-01-1901 in Airley, d. 17-06-1901 in Rylstone.
49. iii. Amy Ethel Stapley, b. 17-04-1902.
- iv. James Thomas William Stapley, b. 14-02-1905 in Airley. m Charlotte O'Brien, 1930
- v...Irene Margaret Stapley, b. 24-02-1908 in Wallerawang. Percy H Jones, 1926 in Rylstone.
- vi. Roy Archibald Stapley, b. 30-06-1911 in Airley, d. 24-07-1919 in Rylstone.
- vii. Janet Lucy Stapley, b. 09-09-1913 in Helenburgh. Cecil Albert Buckley, 1936

**28.** Elizabeth Margaret Stapley, b.-1879 in Rylstone. M. Francis E Brown, 1902 in Rylstone.

Children:

- i. Francis A Brown, b. 1902 in Rylstone.
- ii. William P Brown, b. 1904 in Rylstone. m Isabella L Smith, -1929 in Rylstone.
- iii. John A Brown, b. 1906 in Rylstone.
- iv. Thomas E Brown, b. 1909 in Rylstone. He married Catherine H Guthrie, 1928
- v. Janet I Brown, b. 1912 in Rylstone.
- vi. Phyllis M Brown, b. 1913 in Rylstone.
- vii. Reginald L Brown, b. 1917 in Rylstone.

**29.** Thomas J Stapley, b.-1889 in Rylstone, d. 1967. m Jessie Bryant, 1913 in Lithgow.

Children:

50. i. Douglas Allan Stapley b. 1914.
51. ii. Albert William Thomas Stapley b. 1916.
52. iii. Edna Mae Stapley. b. 1920.
53. iv. Charles Richard Stapley b. 1922.
54. v. Donald Stapley
55. vi. Walter Kenneth Stapley
56. vii. June Loveday Stapley

**30.** Mary Jane Munro, b. 01-07-1866 in Palmers Oakey, d. 23-10-1945 in Arncliffe, buried 24-10-1945 in Rookwood C of E. She married Francis John Stanford, 10-06-1896 in 112 Denison St Camperdown, b. 26-08-1862 in Peel, d. 04-04-1918 in RPA Camperdown, buried 05-04-1918 in Rookwood C of E. Francis: Son of John Stanford & Martha Read.

Children:

- i. Irenie Stanford, b. 03-04-1897 in Stuart Town, d. 07-08-1977.
57. ii. Ivor Wingfield Stanford b. 26-04-1899.
58. iii. Erroll Gamet Stanford b. 12-09-1901.
- iv. Enid May Stanford, b. 22-10-1906 in Stuart Town, d. 04-07-1976. m Robert Tait, b. 1900, d. 18-03-1974.

**31.** Finlay Dalrymple Munro, b. 14-09-1868 in Palmers Oakey, d. 22-07-1942 in Pennant Hills, buried 23-07-1942 in Nt Suburbs. He married Ada Mary Tompson, 08-07-1902 in St Davids Surry Hills, b. 25-10-1874 in O'Connell, d. 20-07-1950, buried 21-07-1950 in Nt Suburbs. Ada: Father Theodore, Mother Elizabeth Webb.

Children:

- i. Elsie Doris Munro, b. 23-09-1903 in Deniliquin, d. 02-09-1988, buried in Nt Suburbs.
- ii. Adell Elgin Munro, b. 03-04-1905 in Wanganella, Deniliquin, d. 15-06-2003 in Cherrybrook, buried 18-06-2003 in Nt Suburbs Crem.
59. iii. Daphne Jean Munro b. 30-07-1907.
60. iv. Finlay Theodore Munro b. 31-07-1912.

**32.** Peter Archibald Munro, b. 28-09-1873 in Palmers Oakey, d. 05-11-1931 in RPA Camperdown, buried 07-11-1931 in Palmers Oakey. He married Ethel May Shumack, 27-01-1912 in Blayney, b. 01-08-1890 in Dark Corner, d. 20-10-1971

Children:

61. i. Elgin May Munro b. 19-03-1913.
62. ii. Mabel (May) Munro b. 11-06-1914.

- iii. Lila Jean Munro, b. 12-06-1916 in Palmers Oakey, d. 22-02-1993 in Bathurst. Spinster.
- 63. iv. Clive David Munro b. 23-05-1918.
- v. Leonard Peter Munro, b. 03-08-1923 in Palmers Oakey, d. 27-05-2010 in Bathurst. m Phillis Brown.
- 64. vi. John (Jack) Munro
- 65. vii. David Munro

**33.** Margareta Munro, b. 21-12-1877 in Palmers Oakey, d. 31-07-1952 in Eugowra, buried in Eugowra. She married George Parr, 28-12-1905 in Palmers Oakey, b. 05-07-1878 in Coolamigal, d. 02-08-1972 in Forbes, buried 04-08-1972 in Eugowra.

Children:

- i...Gladys Irene Parr, b. 1907 in Rydal, d. 26-10-1991 in Molong, buried 30-10-1991 in Molong. m Stanley Hardman Seed, 26-11-1928 in Molong, b. 1891 in England, d. 29-07-1966 in Molong, buried in Molong.
- ii. Horace Parr, b. 1908 in Sunny Corner, d. 06-10-1935 in Rabbit Island, buried 08-10-1935 in Brooklyn. Died after 27 years in mental hospital.
- 66. iii. Elizabeth Adeline Parr b. 1911.
- iv. Stella Munro Parr, b. 1915 in Sunny Corner, d. 17-11-1920 in Murga, buried 18-11-1920 in Reedy Creek.
- v. Patricia Rita Parr, b. 1921, d. 22-06-1947, buried in Orange.

**34.** Elizabeth Sarah Munro, b. 24-04-1880 in Palmers Oakey, d. 12-07-1930 in 11 Boronia St Granville, b. 14-07-1930 in Rookwood. She married Clement Reymour Mead, 09-04-1914 in St Stephens Bathurst, b. 25-10-1880 in Yass, d. 23-05-1944 in 11 Boronia St Granville, buried 24-05-1944 in Rookwood. Clement: Son of James Mead & Alice Hodgson.

Children:

- i. David Dewar Mead, b. 26-11-1915 in Harden, d. 22-03-1958 in Avoca Beach.
- ii. James Clement Mead, b. 21-12-1916 in Burwood, d. 18-02-1942 in Concord West Hospital, buried 20-02-1942 in Rookwood Crem. He married Lorraine May Slender, 1941 in Granville, b. 1918.
- iii. Neville Gordon Mead, b. 22-12-1921, d. 06-05-1974.

**35.** Robert Charles Munro, b. 10-11-1882 in Palmers Oakey, d. 06-02-1952 in Enfield.

He married (1) Ethel Trubody, 20-04-1910 in Blayney, b. 24-08-1882 in Wallsend, d. 13-08-1914 in Enfield, buried 14-08-1914 in Rookwood. Ethel: Daughter of Charles Trubody & Anne Owen.

He married (2) Ethel Emily Huntley Bendall, 09-02-1918 in Phillip St Sydney, b. 1881 in Rockville Conn. USA, d. 12-04-1944 in Croydon, buried 13-04-1944 in Rookwood Crem. Ethel: Daughter of William Bendall & Amelia Fluke. He married (3) Emily Nancarrow, 28-01-1947, b. 00-00-1907 in Chatswood (daughter of Richard Merryfield Nancarrow and Emily Bromley), d. 1998.

Children by Ethel Trubody:

- 67. i. Charles Errol Dewar Munro b. 02-12-1910.
- ii. Gwendoline Jean Munro, b. 17-08-1913 in Sydney, d. 13-05-2002 in Chatswood, buried 16-05-2002 in Nt Suburbs Crem. m Raymond Oswald Drew, 1937, buried in Nt Suburbs Crem.

**36.** Martha Helen Munro, b. 14-01-1885 in Palmers Oakey, d. 10-04-1953 in St Vincents Bathurst, buried 11-04-1953 in Bathurst. She married Aiden Thomas Shumack, 24-04-1912 in St Stephens Bathurst, b. 03-08-1888 in Bathurst, d. 01-02-1944 in Bathurst, buried 02-02-1944 in Bathurst.

Children:

- 68. i. Mary Thelma Shumack b. 04-10-1913.
- 69. ii. Catherine Marjorie Shumack b. 11-09-1917.
- iii. Lorna Evelyn Shumack, b. 00-00-1921 in Bathurst, d. 1921 in Kelso, buried 08-04-1921 in Dark Corner.
- 70. iv. Carl Edwin Shumack

**37.** Ethel Elgin Munro, b. 30-10-1889 in Palmers Oakey, d. 10-01-1947 in Kelso, buried 11-01-1947 in Bathurst. She married Reginald Nancarrow, 15-05-1918 in Bathurst, 10-07-1891 (son of Richard Merryfield Nancarrow and Emily Bromley).

Children:

- i. Trevor Nancarrow, b. 1919, d. 1919.
- 71. ii. Leonard Nancarrow b. 22-03-1920.
- 72. iii. Mary Elgin Nancarrow b. 19-10-1922. SEE STARK TREE
- 73. iv. Raymond Nancarrow b. 03-10-1923.
- v. Reginald Nancarrow.
- 74. vi. Victor Nancarrow.
- 75. vii. Mervyn Nancarrow ..
- 76. viii. Jean Nancarrow
- 77. ix. Elizabeth Merle Nancarrow



- 38.** William Cameron McKinnon, b. 14-01-1877 in Palmers Oakey, d. 27-10-1916 in Manly.  
Was murdered by Herbert Susans in Sydney Rd Manly. He married Rose Elizabeth  
Hendy, 24-10-1900 in Windsor, b. 25-01-1883 in Tamworth, d. 04-11-1954 NZ.

Children:

78. i. Frederick Archibald McKinnon b. 06-03-1901.  
79. ii. Myra Rose McKinnon b. 20-03-1902.

- 39.** Allan Peter McKinnon, b. 02-05-1892, d. 27-08-1947 in Flemington. He married Elsie  
Louisa Jensen (nee Rothwell), 1937 in Five Dock, b. 1912 in Newcastle  
(daughter of Svend Oscar Jensen and Sarah A Robotham), d. 05-06-1974 in Sydney.

Children:

- i..Valerie McKinnon, She married Harold Taberner, 01-03-1963 in Sydney Reg Office.

- 40.** Marcella Letitia Ingram (See marriage to number **26.**)

- 41.** Marcella Margaret McMillan, b. 09-08-1894 in Bathurst. She married David Pateman.

Children:

- i. Violet McMillan, b. 17-11-1918, d. 00-08-2001.  
80. ii. Jack McMillan b. 15-01-1921.

- 42.** Hilda Grace McKinnon, b. 1896. She married James C Marsden, 1914.

Children:

- i. Duncan Marsden.  
ii. Douglas Marsden.  
iii. Peggy Marsden.  
iv. John Marsden.  
v. Margaret Marsden.

- 43.** Doris Gwenevere Hannah Mary McKinnon, b. 11:1897, d. 1981. m William Cleve Innes Newman, 1918.

Children:

- i. Jean Fanny Newman, b. 1919. She married Osmond McNeil Fox, 1942.

- 44.** Duncan John Elmo McKinnon, b. 1907. He married Ruby Helena Lloyd, 1926.

Children:

- i. Shirley McKinnon. She married Colin Marriott.

- 45.** Joyce Adelene McKinnon, b. 1913, d. -1994. She married George Walter Scott, 1943.

Children:

81. i. Gail Joy Scott.  
82. ii. Lynne Heather Scott  
83. iii. Roslyn Jean Scott

#### **Generation Five**

- 46.** Leslie Phillip McKinnon, , d. 18-12-1993 in Bathurst, buried in Bathurst. He married Gladys Bryant,

Children:

84. i. Kathleen Anne McKinnon  
85. ii. Susan Lynette McKinnon  
86. iii. Robert John McKinnon  
87. iv. Judith McKinnon  
88. v. Debbie McKinnon

- 47.** Ivy May McKinnon,. She married Leslie Hayward,

Children:

- i.. Lynette Hayward,  
ii. Brett Hayward,  
iii. Gregory Hayward

- 48.** Enid Mary McKinnon,. She married Peter Walker, Children:

89. i. .JeffreyWalker.  
90. ii. Joanne Lee Walker.

**49.** Amy Ethel Stapley, b. 17-04-1902 in Airlie. m. Edward T Paskin, 01-07-1922 in Penrith.

Children:

- 91. i. Esmee Violet Paskin b. 24-08-1923.
- 92. ii. Thelma June Paskin.

**50.** Douglas Allan Stapley, b. 1914 in Portland. He married **(1)** Thora Isabel Pond, 1940 in Parramatta, b. 1919, d. 1965. He married **(2)** Mildred May Rhodes.

Children by Thora Isabel Pond:

- i. Ronald Keith Stapley,
- ii. Lorriane Joy Stapley,

**51.** Albert William Thomas Stapley, b. -1916 in Portland. m. Elizabeth Baker, 1939 in Parramatta.

Children:

- i. ..Janette Stapley.
- ii. .Beverley Stapley.
- iii..Raymond Jack Stapley,

**52.** Edna Mae Stapley, b.-1920, d. 1987. She married Grant Fryer, b. 1920, d. -1987.

Children:

- i. Barbara Helen Fryer,
- ii. Pamela Kay Fryer,
- iii. Leslie Grant Fryer,

**53.** Charles Richard Stapley, b. 1922. He married Dulcie Kurtz, b. 1921, d. 1991.

Children:

- 93. i. Lyn Christine Stapley.

**54.** Donald Stapley, He married Patricia Burley.

Children:

- i. Mark Stapley.
- ii. Craig Stapley.

**55.** Walter Kenneth Stapley, b-1918. He married Marie Elizabeth (Billie) Jones,

Children:

- i. Graeme Kenneth Stapley,
- 94. ii. Ian Wayne Stapleyb
- iii. Robyn Maree Stapley, She married John Lazzarini.

**56.** June Loveday Stapley,. She married David George Hodder,

Children:

- i. Stephen Charles Hodder,
- ii. Deborah Ann Hodder.
- iii. Bradley John Hodder,
- iv. Kim Louise Hodder,

**57.** Ivor Wingfield Stanford, b. 26-04-1899 in Stuart Town, d. 29-05-1952 in Bexley. He married Irene Adelaide Warburton, 19-12-1927, b. 09-03-1895 in Carrathool, d. 03-12-1962 in Bexley.

Children:

- i. James Warburton Stanford, in Rockdale, d. 27-09-1994 in Newcastle.

**58.** Erroll Garnet Stanford, b. 12-09-1901 in Stuart Town, d. 29-07-1966, buried in Nt Suburbs  
He married Florence Mary Cameron, 08-12-1934 in Chatswood, b. 03-10-1907

Children:

- i. Judith Anne Stanford,
- ii. Frances Noreen Stanford,

**59.** Daphne Jean Munro, b. 30-07-1907 in Deniliquin, d. 1995. She married John Lancer Smith, 26-10-1935 in Hornsby. John: Father Herbert, Mother Ellen Davis.

Children:

- 95. i. Michael John Smith
- 96. ii. Jennifer Jeanie Smith
- 97. iii. Roslyn Adell Smith
- 98. iv. Geoffery McDonald Smith

**60.** Finlay Theodore Munro, b. 31-07-1912 in Deniliquin, d. 1985 in Albury. He married Ellen Mary Howe, 02-01-1943 in Hornsby, d. 00-11-2000 in Annandale.

Children:

- i. Lesley Elwyn Munro,
- 99. ii. Richard Finlay Munro
- 100. iii. Ian Lindsay Munro
- 101. iv. Margaret Lynne Munro

**61.** Elgin May Munro, b. 19-03-1913, d. 09-11-1981. m James H Nancarrow, 1934 in Bathurst, b. 1908 in Bathurst (son of Richard Merryfield Nancarrow and Emily Bromley), d. 1990.

Children:

- 102. i. Fay Nancarrow
- 103. ii. Owen Nancarrow

**62.** Mabel (May) Munro, b. 11-06-1914 in Palmers Oakey, d. 10-09-2004.in Bathurst, buried 15-09-2004 Cremated. She married Arthur Frederick Austin, 1937 in Bathurst.

Children:

- 104. i. Peter David Austin
- 105. ii. Kevin Austin

**63.** Clive David Munro, b. 23-05-1918 in Palmers Oakey, d, 18-08-2007 in Bathurst, buried 22-08-2007 in Bathurst. He married June Elaine Hopper, 30-08-1947 in Bathurst, b. 27-06-1927 (daughter of Frank S Hopper and Dorothy E Hohnen).

Children:

- 106. i. Francis June Munro
- 107. ii. Geoffrey Clive Munro

**64.** John (Jack) Munro, d. 09-04-2009 in Bathurst, buried 14-04-2009 in Bathurst. m. Winifred Joyce Hawkins, 1949 in Bathurst

Children:

- 108. i. Ian Munro
- 109. ii. Robyn Gai Munro
- iii. Ross Munro,

**65.** David Munro, d. 2001 in Bathurst. m Jeanette Duncan, -1953 in Bathurst, twin to Jack.

Children:

- 110. i. Brian David Munro
- 111. ii. Garry Douglas Munro

**66.** Elizabeth Adeline Parr, b. 1911 in Sunny Comer. She married Al Sanderson.

Children:

- i. Peter Sanderson.

**67.** Charles Errol Dewar Munro, b. 02-12-1910 in Blayney, d. 16-11-1992, buried in Crem. Singleton. He married Florence Ella Roberts, 11-07-1936, b. 14-01-1908, d. 08-12-1978, buried in Singleton.

Children:

- i. Vanessa Roberts Munro,
- ii. Enid Merrilyn Diana Munro,

**68.** Mary Thelma Shumack, b. 04-10-1913 in Bathurst. She married Michael Martin Eric Maloney, 25-11-1944 in Orange, b. 03-05-1917 in Armatree, d. 04-03-1971 buried 06-03-1971 in Bathurst.

Children:

- 112. i. William Terence Maloney
- 113. ii. Gary Richard Maloney
- 114. iii. Nolene Marilyn Maloney

**69.** Catherine Marjorie Shumack, b. 11-09-1917 in Bathurst. She married George Haldane Blues, 00-03-1946 in St Stephens Bathurst, d. 20-05-1979 in Concord Repat. Hosp.

Children:

- i. Helen Margaret Blues, She married Ken Oliver.
- 115. ii. Marjorie Anne Blues
- iii. David George Blues,. He married Catherine Margot Hunt.

**70.** Carl Edwin Shumack, He married Jean Emily Barnes, 04-01-1958 in Kelso,

Children:

- i.. Geoffery Shumack,
- ii. Donna Shumack,

**71.** Leonard Nancarrow, b. 22-03-1920, d. 26-06-1998 in Bathurst. He married Ada Agnes Stark, 00-00-1945 in Bathurst, b. 1909 in Petersham (daughter of Oswald Stark and Florence Ethel West). SEE STARK TREE

Children:

- i. Darrell Nancarrow,

**72.** Mary Elgin Nancarrow, b. 19-10-1922, d. 31-08-2003 in Bathurst, buried 04-09-2003 in Limekilns. She married Oswald George Stark, 1939 in Bathurst, b. 22-06-1913 in Rockdale (son of Oswald Stark and Florence Ethel West). SEE STARK TREE

Children:

- i. Janet Ethel Stark, She married ? Moore.
- ii. Delma Judith Stark.
- iii. Elizabeth Mary Stark.
- iv. Grahame Reginald Stark,
- 116. v. Richard John Stark
- vi. Paul Oswald Stark,

**73.** Raymond Nancarrow, He married Beryl Kearston.

Children:

- i. Yvoone Nancarrow.
- ii. Morris Nancarrow.

**74.** Victor Nancarrow. He married Leonie Musgrave.

Children:

- i David Nancarrow.
- ii. Alison Nancarrow.

**75.** Mervyn Nancarrow, He married Heather Browne.

Children:

- i. Phillip Nancarrow.
- ii. Julie Ann Nancarrow.
- iii. Christina Nancarrow.
- iv. James Nancarrow.

**76.** Jean Nancarrow,. She married Victor Farrell.

Children:

- i.. Maureen Farrell.
- ii. Beverley Farrell.
- iii. Lynn Farrell.

**77.** Elizabeth Merle Nancarrow, d. 01-10-2004 in Bathurst, Crem Orange . m Harold Kneale.

Children:

- i.. Robert Kneale,
- ii. David Kneale,
- iii. Catherine Kneale,

**78.** Frederick Archibald McKinnon, b. 06-03-1901 in Riverstone, d. 15-12-1958 in Invercargill NZ. He married Kathleen Jane Newton, 09-08-1932 in Invercargill NZ, b. 1909 in Nightcaps NZ.

Children:

- 117. i. Noel William Mc Kinnon

**79.** Myra Rose McKinnon, b. 20-03-1902 in Riverstone, d. 03-09-1986 in NZ. She married (1) Charles Henry Brown Jnr, 07-04-1923 in NZ, b. 12-01-1902 in Dannevirke NZ, d. 05-12-1941 in At sea off TOBRUK Nt Africa WW2. She married (2) Ralph Hunt, 1946 in Dannevirke NZ, b. 15-07-1897, d. 02-09-1969 NZ.

Children by Charles Henry Brown Jnr:

- i. Keith William Brown, d. 07-06-1929 in Dannevirke NZ.
- ii. Allison Gail Brown,. She married Timothy John O'Brien, 24-02-1947, in Pongaroa NZ.
- 118. iii. Maurice Cameron Brown

**80.** Jack McMillan, b. 15-01-1921 in Bathurst, d. 09-02-1991 in Bathurst. He married Marie Adelaide Brown, 07-10-1944 in Castle Hill.

Children:

119. i. Marion Rae McMillan  
ii. John Stuart McMillan,

**81.** Gail Joy Scott,. She married Brian Curzon, 00-00-1964.

Children:

- i. Catherine Curzon,  
120. ii. Ruth Joy Curzon  
iii. Jennifer Lee Curzon She married Nicholas Sanderman Green, 1999.

**82.** Lynne Heather Scott,. She married John Parkinson, 1967.

Children:

- i. Lorie Gae Parkinson  
ii. Christopher John Parkinson,

**83.** Roslyn Jean Scott, She married Keith Richardson, 1971.

Children:

- i. Penelope Claire Richardson,

### **Generation Six**

**84.** Kathleen Anne McKinnon, She married Terry Gunning.

Children:

- i. Scott Gunning,  
ii. Mark Gunning,  
iii. Neil Gunning,  
iv. Grant Gunning,

**85.** Susan Lynette McKinnon, She married Greg Cole.

Children:

- i...Stephen Cole,  
ii. Brooke Cole,

**86.** Robert John McKinnon, He married Dianne Ashe.

Children:

- i.. Thomas McKinnon,  
ii. Alexandria McKinnon,

**87.** Judith McKinnon,. M. (1) Peter Bennett. She married (2) Peter Courtney.

Children by Peter Bennett:

- i. Karley Bennett,

Children by Peter Courtney:

- ii. Shannon Courtney, b.

**88.** Debbie McKinnon, She married Quigley.

Children:

- i. Mathew Quigley,  
ii. Jessica Quigley,

**89.** Jeffrey Walker,

Children:

- i. Justin Earl Walker,

**90.** Joanne Lee Walker,. She married James Keen,

Children:

- i. Joshua Lee,  
ii. Arron James Keen,  
iii Maddison Elsie Keen,

**91.** Esme Violet Paskin, b. 24-08-1923 in Kingswood. She married Alva Donald McPhee, 04-09-1948 in St Stephens Penrith.

Children:

- 121. i. Judith Margaret McPhee
- 122. ii. Colin James McPhee
- iii. Rodney Garth McPhee, He married Susan Gay Leitch, 06-08-1983 in Bathurst.

**92.** Thelma June Paskin. She married Herbert Bragg.

Children:

- 123. i. John Anthony Bragg

**93.** Lyn Christine Stapley. She married Christopher James Condliffe.

Children:

- i. Cally Louise Condliffe,
- ii. Brent James Condliffe,

**94.** Ian Wayne Stapley, He married Leanne Walsh, b. 1965.

Children:

- i...Joel Wayne Stapley,
- ii Rhiannon Maree Stapley,
- iii.Abbey Elizabeth Stapley,

**95.** Michael John Smith, He married Mary Belle Elizabeth Hicks, 12-01-1963.

Children:

- i. David John Smith, He married Cathy Ann Ballantyne.
- ii. Matthew James Smith, He married Raelee Matthews, 18-11-1989.
- iii. Angus Charles Smith,
- iv. Helen Smith,

**96.** Jennifer Jeanie Smith,. She married Reinholdt Schmidt.

Children:

- i. Alexander Elgin Schmidt,
- ii. Jonathon Marc Schmidt,
- iii. Gregory Rohan Schmidt,

**97.** Roslyn Adell Smith,. She married James Saville, 11-12-1965.

Children:

- i. Andrew James Saville,
- ii. Peter Fergus Saville,
- iii. Ian Dougal Saville,
- iii. Allison Adell Saville,
- iv.

**98.** Geoffery McDonald Smith, m.Kathleen Lynette Kempton, 09-01-1971.

Children:

- i. Kelly Maree Smith,
- ii. Mark McDonald Smith,

**99.** Richard Finlay Munro, He married Clare Tannock, 30-08-1969.

Children:

- i. Scott Finlay Munro,
- ii. Paul Richard Munro,
- iii. Julia Clare Munro,
- iv. Anna Garland Munro.

**100.** Ian Lindsay Munro,. He married Linda Frazer.

Children:

- i. Christopher Ian Munro,
- ii. Fiona Brooke Munro,
- iii. Heather Leanne Munro,
- iv. Mark Lindsay Munro,

**101.** Margaret Lynne Munro,. She married Anthony Graham Lynch, 15-01-1977.

Children: ·

- i. Andrew Stephen Lynch,
- ii. David Nicholas Lynch,
- iii. Catryn Narelle Lynch,

**102.** Fay Nancarrow,. She married Peter Boyd, 1956 in Bathurst,

Children:

124.
  - i. Darice Boyd
  - ii. Jason Boyd,

**103.** Owen Nancarrow, He married Patricia Philomene Lane,

Children:

- i. Kelly Ann Nancarrow,
- ii. Cindy Jane Nancarrow,
- iii Angela Fay Nancarrow,

**104.** Peter David Austin, d. 25-02-1994. He married Peggy May Aberley, 1962 in Bathurst,

Children:

- I Scott Anthony Austin,
- ii. Brett Andrew Austin,
- iii. Nicole Monique Austin,

**105.** Kevin Austin, m. Carol Ann Lewis, 1981 in Perth WA,

Children:

- i. Kylie Ann Austin,
- ii. Kirsty Lee Austin,

**106.** Francis June Munro, m Jeffery William McSpedden, 15-08-1970 in Bathurst,

Children:

- i. Donna Frances McSpedden, m. Michael Robert Weston, 26-04-1997.
- ii. Michelle Julie McSpedden,. m. Geoffery David Keogh, 03-01-1998.
- iii. Kim Margaret McSpedden,
- iv. Ross William McSpedden,

**107.** Geoffrey Clive Munro, d, 25-10-2013 in Sydney, buried 31-10-2013 in Bathurst Crem.

He married Sylvia Louise McSpedden, 13-03-1976 in Bathurst,

Children:

- i. Kathryne Lee Munro,
- ii. Bruce John Munro,
- iii. Olivia Louise Munro,

**108.** Ian Munro, in Bathurst. He married Deanne Hilliard, 00-00-1970 in Bathurst,

Children:

- i. Scott Munro,
- ii. Stuart Munro,
- iii. Paul Munro,
- iv. Jessica Louise Munro,
- v. Casey Munro,

**109.** Robyn Gai Munro, She married Michael William Jones, 1986 in Balmain.

Children:

- i. Allison Elizabeth Jones,
- ii. Kathryn Louise Jones,

**110.** Brian David Munro,. He married Katherine Frances Stocks, 1980 in Bathurst,

Children:

- i. Brock Christopher Munro,

**111.** Garry Douglas Munro,. He married Alison Gail Shanks, 1980 in Bathurst,

Children:

- 1..Cameron Scott Munro,
- ii. Taryn Louise Munro,



**112.** William Terence Maloney, He married (1) Lynda Watson. He married (2) Brenda Townsend, 20-01-1990.

Children by Lynda Watson:

i.. Kathryn Maloney,

**113.** Gary Richard Maloney,. He married Una Quinn, b. in Ireland.

Children:

i. Vaughn Rainer Maloney,

ii. Kyle Rowan Maloney,

**114.** Nolene Marilyn Maloney, She married John Woolcott, 29-04-1978.

Children:

i... Trenton Michael Woolcott,

ii. Sophia Louise Woolcott,

iii. Norrie Edwin Woolcott,

**115.** Marjorie Anne Blues, She married George William Fletcher.

Children:

i. Rowena Kelly Fletcher,

ii. Belinda Louise Fletcher,

iii. Penelope Helen Fletcher,

**116.** Richard John Stark, He married Gail Bennett.

Children:

i. Benjamin Stark.

**117.** Noel William Mc Kinnon, in Invercargill NZ. M Lorraine Robinson, 11-05-1963 in Invercargill NZ,

Children:

125. i. Gary Brett McKinnon

ii. Bruce Craig McKinnon,

**118.** Maurice Cameron Brown, He married Joan Tindle, 30-07-1966 in Auckland NZ,

Children:

i. Karyn Leanne Brown, She married Evan Frank Hoskin, 26-04-1997 in Orewa NZ,

**119.** Marion Rae McMillan, She married Donald Keith Pearce, 06-02-1971 in Castle Hill.

Children:

i.. Katrina Anne Pearce, m Douglas Alexander James Watson, 27-09-1997 in Bathurst.

126. ii. Richard Allan Pearce

**120.** Ruth Joy Curzon,. She married Kevin Regnar Bilmann.

Children:

i. Samantha Lee Bilmann,

ii. Todd Christopher Bilmann,

### **Generation Seven**

**121.** Judith Margaret McPhee,. She married Graeme John Hill, 04-02-1972 in Bathurst.

Children:

i. Catherine Louise Hill,

ii. Alastair John Hill,

**122.** Colin James McPhee, He married Cathy Peat Wieland, 09-05-1981 in Toronto.

Children:

I Duncan James McPhee,

ii. Stuart Ross McPhee,

**123.** John Anthony Bragg,. He married Susan Gai Hinch, 26-07-1974 in Penrith.

Children:

i. Anthony John Bragg,

ii. Krystle Bragg,

**124.** Darice Boyd, She married Garry William Ryan, 1979 in Bathurst,

Children:

- i. Alissa Elgin Ryan,
- ii. Jeremy William Ryan,
- iii. Bradley Adam Ryan,
- iv. Ellie Kate Ryan,

**125.** Gary Brett McKinnon, b. in Invercargill NZ. He married Raylene Flora Kennedy, 07-02-1987 in Invercargill NZ.

Children:

- i. Rachael Claire McKinnon,
- 127. ii. Glen David McKinnon

**126.** Richard Allan Pearce, He married Tina Taylor.

Children:

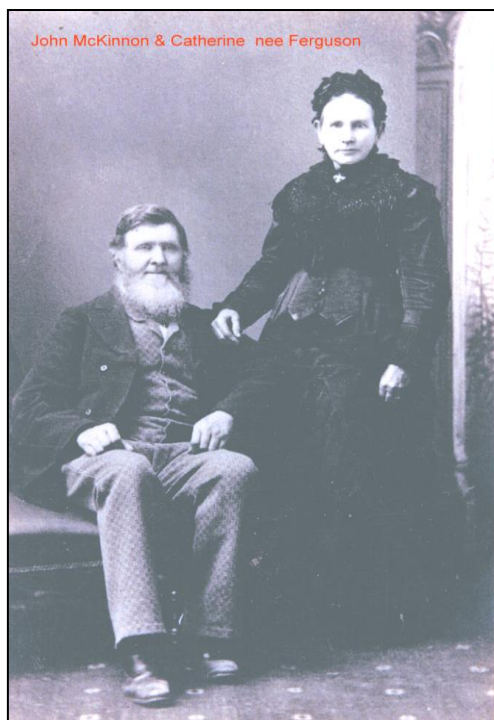
- i..Glenn Keith Pearce,
- ii. Euan Allan Pearce,



Marcella Letitia Ingram (McKinnon)



Mrs John. McKinnon (nee Catherine Ferguson)



## SAY

Jehu's christening took place at St Nicholas' Church, North Bradley, just south of Trowbridge, Wiltshire, England, on 12th July, 1818. He was the son of William SAY (born 1765) and his third Wife, Elizabeth (BAILEY) married at North Bradley on 3rd May, 1807. William died 18<sup>th</sup> April, 1830, but Elizabeth survived in the Poorhouse, Church Lane, North Bradley until she was 86, dying 26th February, 1864.

For stealing what family history says was a 'fob-watch', Jehu was sentenced to fourteen years' transportation to NSW after being found guilty at the Wiltshire Assizes held at Devizes on 15th July, 1837. He started his sentence in the Prison-Hulk '*Leviathon*' in Portsmouth Harbour. . Left England 24-7-1838 on the "*Portsea*" with 239 other convicts, arrived Sydney 18-12-1838

Jehu completed his full sentence, lastly working for a master north of Bathurst, NSW. On 28th October, 1852, Jehu, aged 34, married Elizabeth McCudden, aged 17, at St Leonard's Church, North Shore, now replaced by the beautiful St Thomas' Anglican Church, North Sydney.

Jehu and Elizabeth lived at Limekilns, north of Bathurst. He was a publican with her McCudden brothers, at Wattle Flat, farmed and searched for gold. Jehu died at Limekilns on 8th June, 1878, aged 59. 'Debilitas', weakening of the body, is given as the cause of death.

1879 Elizabeth sold their property "Willow Glen" of 340 acres. The ad., for the sale described it as, "a paradise, with Contentment and industry".

The resilient widow took her dependent children across country to Cumnock as the Limekilns area lost people as gold ran out. There she became what is said to be the first woman to become a Postmistress in NSW and had a fine reputation as an accomplished midwife. Elizabeth died on 4th April, 1911.

The girl who had arrived from Loughgall, Co. Armagh, Ireland, aged six, with her parents Francis and Eliza, on the '*Herald*' in 1841, was now 76 and is buried in the Catholic section of Cumnock Cemetery.

The history of the Say and McCudden Families in Australia is very well-told in Elaine Egan's "Beyond The Seas", published at Bradys Gully Rd, North Gosford NSW in 2004.



GRAVE NEXT TO SAYS HOUSE SITE JUST OFF Mt HORRIBLE ROAD

## SAY

1. Jehu Say. b. 1818. England. d. 08-06-1878 Limekilns. m Elizabeth McCudden,  
b. 1835. Ireland. 28-10-1852 Sydney. d. 04-04-1911 in Molong. Elizabeth, SEE McCUDDEN TREE  
Children:
  - i... Francis H Say, b. 1855 in Sofala,
  - ii. Eliza Say, b. 1858 in Limekilns, d. 1858 in Bathurst.
  - iii.. Sarah B Say, b. 1859 in Limekilns, d. 1859.
  - iv. Elizabeth Sarah Agnes Say, b. 1860 in Limekilns. m. John Frederick Small 1880.
  - v. Mary B Say, b. 1863 in Limekilns. m William Reilly 1881 in Molong.
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  - vi. Francis P Say b. 1865.
  - vii. Harriet M Say, b. 1867 in Limekilns. m Chas Keen, 1886 in Molong.
  - viii. Alice J Say, b. 09-04-1869 in Limekilns. m. Francis Kearney, 1894 in Molong.
3. ix. John Joseph Say. b. 1871.
4. x. Isaac James N Say. b. 1873.
- xi. Isabella V Say, b. 1875 in Limekilns. m James McDonnell 1899.
- xii. Teresa Ann Say, b. 1878 in Limekilns. m James Nagent 1897 in Molong.

### Generation Two

2. Francis P Say, b. -1865 in Limekilns. m Mary Power 1885 in Molong.  
Children:
  - i. Mary A Say, b. 1889 in Molong.
  - ii. Ernest A Say, b. 1889 in Dubbo.
  - iii. Hector V Say, b. 1890 in Narromine.
  - iv.. Rita F Say, b. 1902 in Narromine.
3. John Joseph Say, b. 1871 in Limekilns. m Mary Chitley 1900 in Molong.  
Children:
  - i... Elizabeth E Say, b. 1891 in Molong.
  - ii. Theresa M Say, b. 1903 in Molong. m George Blanford 1923 in Orange.
  5. iii. Jehu James Joseph Say. b. 1905.
  6. iv. Francis Samuel Henry Say, b. 1908.
  - v. Bernard P Say, b. 1911 in Orange.
4. Isaac James N Say, b. 1873 in Limekilns. m. Florence O Donaldson 1906 in Tumbarumba.  
Children:
  - i... Gwendlyn E M Say, b. 1907 in Tumbarumba. m. Robert S Solomon 1929 In Randwick.
  - ii.. John J D Say, b. 1908 in Tumbarumba. m Mabel O Gogol, 1934 in Lake Cargelligo.

### Generation Three

5. Jehu James Joseph Say, b. 1905 in Orange. m. Agnes Ellen Mary Clancy 1939 in Orange.  
Children:
  - i. Brian Patrick Say, d. 1943 in Orange.
6. Francis Samuel Henry Say, b. 1908 in Orange. m. Marie Agnes Mackeown, 1940 in Nt Sydn  
Children:
  - i... John Say, b. 1940 in Nt Sydney.
  - ii. Mary Say, b. 1941 in Nt Sydney.
  - iii. Marie Say, b. 1943 in Nt Sydney.

# SINCLAIR

1. James Sinclair, b. in Scotland. m Janet Sinclair, b. in Scotland.

Children:

- 2 i. Walter Sinclair, b. pre-1803.

## Generation Two

- 3 Walter Sinclair, b. pre-1803 in Kirkcaldy Scotland, occupation Servant, farmer. He married Jessie Janet Kennedy, 21-07-1840 in Bathurst Presb, b. 1811 in Scotland, Walter died 16-10-1885 in Limekilns, buried: in Bathurst Presb. Arrived Aust 1839. Jessie Arrived Aust 1837

Children:

- i.. John Donald Sinclair, b. 08-08-1841 in "Watton" Bathurst.
- ii. Albert Henry Sinclair, b. 10-03-1842 in "Watton" Bathurst. m Margheretta Berg, 1877 .
3. iii . JessieAlexanderina Sinclair, b. 21-03-1844.
4. iv. Alfred James Sinclair, b. 09-06-1845.
- v. Alexander Sinclair, b. 09-06-1845 in "Watton" Bathurst.
- vi. Mary Agnes Margaret Sinclair, b. 09-08-1847 in "Watton" Bathurst. She m Henry Rex, 1865 in Bathurst.
- vii. Jane Ellen Sinclair, b. 13-10-1848 in "Black Rock" Limekilns.
- viii. Adeline Adolphus Sinclair, b. 29-11-1850 in "Black Rock" Limekilns.
5. ix. Gorgina Rankin Sinclair, b. 07-11-1853.
6. x. William Claud Rankin Sinclair, b. 17-02-1855.

## Generation Three

- 4 Jessie Alexanderina Sinclair, b. 21-03-1844 in "Watton" Bathurst. She married Alexander Wilson, 07-06-1860 in "Kellosiel" Bathurst, b. 24-08-1845 in Pool of Muckart Scotland, baptized 09-09-1835 in Muckart Scotland, occupation Teamster, hotel keeper, d. 23-05-1923 in Bathurst, buried in Bathurst Presb. Jessie died 30-09-1888. Died having 12th child. Alexander: Arrived Aust 22-11-1856 per "*Edward Oliver*" SEE WILSON TREE

Children:

- i. Annie Randolph Wilson, b. 1861 in Bathurst.
- ii. Walter John Wilson, b. 1863 in Bathurst.
- iii. Alexander Norman Wilson, b. 1865 in Bathurst.
- iv. Jessie Elizabeth Wilson, b. 1867 in Glanmire.
- v. Robert William Wilson, b. 1869 in Cargo.
- vi. Margaret Gertrude Wilson , b. 1871 in Bathurst.
- vii. Adeline (Ada) Wilson, b. 1873 in Mudgee.
- viii. William Wallace Wilson, b. 1875 in Home Rule.
- ix. Janet Emily Wilson, b. 1877 in Limekilns.
- x. George Hamilton Wilson, b. 1880 in Limekilns.
- xi. Eleanor Wilson, b. 1881 in Limekilns.

4. Alfred James Sinclair, b. 09-06-1845 in "Watton" Bathurst. m Margaret Ross 1876 in Bx

Children:

- i. Linda M Sinclair, b. 1892 in Bathurst.
- ii.
- 5 Gorgina Rankin Sinclair, b. 07-11-1853 in "Kellosiel" Bathurst. m Patrick McEvoy 1873 in Bathurst, b. 1849 in Bathurs (son of Jeremiah (Darby) McEvoy and Margaret Keefe). SEE McEVOY TREE.

Children:

- i Ethel Blanche M G R McEvoy, 1874 in Bathurst. m William H Mayo, 1894 in Bathurst.
- ii. William Norman McEvoy, b. 1876 in Bathurst. m Mary A Roach, 1899 in Bathurst.
- iii. Catherine McEvoy, b. 1877 in Bathurst. m Herbert Bayliss 1879 in Bathurst.
- iv. Ernest McEvoy , b. 1878 in Bathurst.
- v. John Herbert McEvoy, b. 1880 in Bathurst. m Rosanna Speering, 1911 in Bathurst.
- vi. Louisa M McEvoy, b. 1882 in Bathurst.

- 6 William Claud Rankin Sinclair, b. 17-02-1855 in "Kellosiel" Bathurst, occ. Farmer. m Helen Harriet Irving Shirlaw, 16-04-1878 in Bathurst Wes. William died 27-09-1927 in Bathurst, buried: in Bathurst.

Children:

7. i. Walter Sinclair, b. 05-01-1879.
- ii. Mary Agnes Sinclair, b. 26-01-1881 in Green Swamp. Edwin Cutler, 1917 in Bathurst.
- iii. William Claud Sinclair, b. 31-03-1883 in Limekilns. m Irene M Oakes, 1908 in Bathurst.
8. iv. Hugh Sinclair. b. 1855.



- v. Helena (Lena) Sinclair, b. 24-12-1888 in Limekilns. m William Thomas Grabham, 1914 in Bx, b. 1887.  
vi. Florence Gertrude Sinclair, b. 20-02-1890 in Limekilns. m James H Papworth. 1920  
vii. Jessie Olive Sinclair, b. 19-07-1892 in Limekilns.  
viii. Lachlan Kenneth Sinclair, b. 27-04-1895.
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#### Generation Four

7. Walter Sinclair, b. 05-01-1879 in Five Mile Creek. m Alice G Clifton, 1904 in Bathurst.

Children:

- i. Edna P Sinclair, b. 1913 in Bathurst.

8. Hugh Sinclair, b. 1855 in Limekilns. He married Lizzie M Howard, 1909 in Bathurst.

Children:

- i. Jean Sinclair, b. 1909 in Bathurst.  
ii. William J Sinclair, b. 1912 in Bathurst.  
iii. Victor H Sinclair, b. 1914 in Bathurst.

9. Lachlan Kenneth Sinclair, b. 27-04-1895 in Wattle Flat. m Edith M Papworth 1920 in Bx.

Children:

10. i. Kenneth Sinclair.

#### Generation Five

10. Kenneth Sinclair. m Heather Mason. Kenneth d. 2006 in Bathurst, buried: in Bathurst.

Children:

11. i. Christine Sinclair,  
ii. John Sinclair. He married ?? . 2 children.  
iii. Narell Sinclair. She married David. 1 boy & 1 girl.  
iv. Joanne Sinclair. She married Terry Saunders. 1 boy & 1 girl.  
v. Mark Sinclair. 2 boys.



OZZIE STARK & ROSE

# STARK

I. John Stark . He married Ada

Children:

2. i. Oswald Stark .

## Generation Two

2. Oswald Stark , d. 1944 in Rockdale. m Florence Ethel West , 1906 in Redfern, b. 1882 in Newtown (daughter of Alexander Sidney West and Agnes Twiss ), d. 1942 in Rockdale.

Children:

- i..Alexander John Barton Stark , b. 1907 in Petersham. He m. Doreen Frances McKnight, 1936 in Bathurst.
- 3. ii. Ada Agnes Stark b. 1909.
- 4. iii. Oswald George Stark b. 22-06-1913.
- iv. Frank Spencer Stark b. 1917 in Rockdale. m Dorothy Lyla Curruthers 1941 in Rockdale.

## Generation Three

3...Ada Agnes Stark , b. 1909 in Petersham. m Leonard Nancarrow 1945 in Bathurst,  
b. 22-03-1920 (son of Reginald Nancarrow and Ethel Elgin Munro), d. 26-06-1998

Children:

i. Darrell Nancarrow

4...Oswald George Stark b. 22-06-1913 in Rockdale. d.16-06-1996 buried in Limekilns.

He married Mary Elgin Nancarrow, 1939 in Bathurst, b. 19-10-1922  
(daughter of Reginald Nancarrow and Ethel Elgin Munro )d. 31-08-2003 in Bathurst,

Children:

- i. Janet Ethel Stark, She married? Moore
- ii. Delma Judith Stark
- iii. Elizabeth Mary Stark
- iv. Grahame Reginald Stark
- 5 v. Richard John Stark
- vi. Paul Oswald Stark

## Generation Four

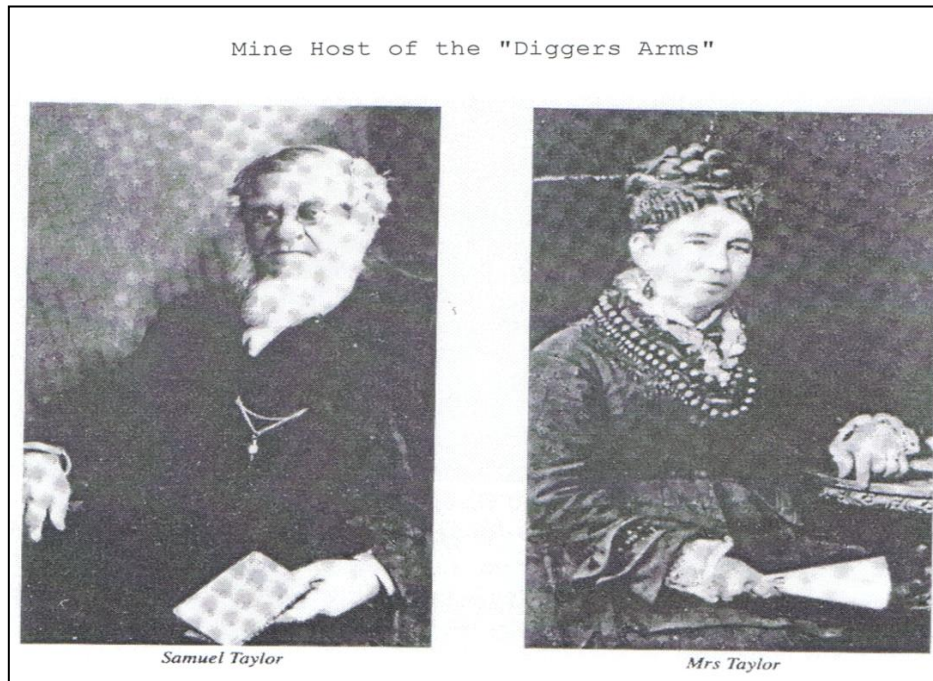
5. Richard John Stark He married Gail Bennett

Children:

i. Benjamin Stark

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# TAYLOR





# TAYLOR TREE

1. Samuel Taylor, b. in England. He married Sarah Green .

Children:

2.
  - i. Samuel Taylor b. 1815.
  - ii. Joseph Taylor, b. 1822 in England.
  - iii. Annie Taylor , b. in England. m Francis Ward , in Surry. Francis: Doctor, of Baulkhan Hill, Surry England
  - iv Harriet Taylor , b. in England. She married William Storrer , in London. William: Accountant, of London

## Generation Two

2. Samuel Taylor , b. 1815 in London, occupation Inn Keeper; Brush Maker. He married (1) Lady Harriet Draugharty , in Gravesend England, b. 1812, d. 07-05-1841 in Sydney, buried: in Devonshire St Rookwood. He married (2) Mary James (nee Kelly) , 1850 in Windsor, occupation Inn Keeper. Samuel died 08-01-1895 in 106 Pymont Bridge Rd Glebe, buried: in Wesleyan, Rookwood. Founder of Samuel Taylor & Co, makers of Mortein, & 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 in England. She married Thomas James Tobais Tobin 07-06-1861 in Bathurst, b. 1841 in Limekilns, d. 1909. Harriet died 03-08-1892. Thomas: See TOBIN TREE

Children by Mary James (nee Kelly):

- ii. Samuel Taylor, b. 06-03-1843 in Hawksbury,. m Elizabeth . Samuel died 30-12-1893 in Nt Sydney, buried: in St Thomas' Nt Sydney. Twin to Mary.
  - iv. Mary Taylor, b. 06-03-1843 in Hawksbury, d. 1878.
  - v Edward Taylor, b. 05-07-1845 in Hawksbury, d. 06-11-1866 in Bathurst Twin to Sarah.
4.
  - vi. Sarah Edith Taylor b. 05-07-1845.
  - vii. Charles Taylor, b. 00-00-1847, baptized in St Lawrences, occupation Horse Dealer. He married Louisa Roseworn 1877 in Bathurst. Charles died 28-02-1894 in Canterbury, buried: in Canterbury.
  - viii. Anne Taylor, b. 07-03-1849, baptized in St Lawrences. Spinster.
5.
  - ix. Ellen Taylor b. 1850.
  - x. Mary A Taylor, b. 1851 in Windsor.
  - xi. Benjamin Taylor#, b. 01-02-1853 in Sofala, d. 1874 in Sydney.
  - xii. Catherine Taylor, b.1855 in Sofala. m Gould Scott, 1877 in Sydney. Catherine died 27-05-1904
  - xiii. Louise D Taylor, b. 1858 in Sofala, d. 1863 in Bathurst.

## Generation Three

- 3** Frances (Fanny) Taylor, b. 11-06-1837 in England. m Samuel Armour ,1859 in Sofala, b. 15-04-1833 in Dow Ireland, occ. Vet, innkeeper, butcher, d. 14-03-1904 in Nt Sydney, b: in Rookwood (Wes). Frances died 14-03-1904 in 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. 1862 in Sofala, occupation Bricklayer. Bricklayer.
  - iii..William E Armour , b. 1864 in Orange. m Bennett R M Brown , 1898 in Windsor.
  - iv. Alfred Armour , b. 1867 in Orange.
  - v. Male Armour b.1869 in Orange, d. 1869 in Orange.
  - vi. Ada Beatrice Armour , b. 1874 in Bathurst. m Henry Curruthers 1900 in Annandale, occ Carriage Builder.
  - vii. Arthur R Armour , b. 1877 in Windsor.
  - viii. Fanny Louisa Armour , b. 14-02-1879 in Windsor. Spinster.

- 5 Sarah Edith Taylor, b. 05-07-1845 in Hawksbury. Twin to Edward. She married James McCloy, 10-04-1865 in Limekilns by Rev Mr Caldwell..

Children:

- i. Mary L McCloy, b. -1866 in Bathurst. She married George Hudson 1889 in Sydney.

- .5** Ellen Taylor, b. 1850, bapt. in St Lawrences. m Sydney Robert Parry Lorking 1876 .

Children:

- i. Ethel May Lorking .

## Generation Four

. 6 Harriet Agnes Armour b. 07-04-1860 in Sofala. m Henry Green 1882 in Windsor,

Children:

- i. Harry Green, b. 01-11-1883 in Windsor.
- ii. Annie Green, b. 26-02-1885.
- iii. Alfred Green , b. 1887 in St Leonards.
- iv. Charles C Green, b. 07-11-1888 in St Leonards.
- v. Arthur L Green, b. 17-08-1890 in St Leonards.
- vi. Frederick B Green, b. 1892 in St Leonards.
- vii. Harriett Green , b. 31-08-1894 in Mosman.
- viii. Bertie Green , b. 10-05-1897.
- ix. John Green , b. 1903 in St Leonards.

## 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 26<sup>th</sup> 1 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 5th 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 marrying 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 the next 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 indicted 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 disposed 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. Subsequently 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.

On the 12 October 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 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 1868 Thomas Tobin's father-in-law Samuel Taylor who owned the Rising Sun Hotel decided to move to Sydney. From 1869 it seems that Thomas Tobin, Samuel Taylor's son-in-law became the proprietor for the Rising Sun. However, there is no record of a license for the hotel between 1870 and 1887. On the 1st December 1880 Samuel Taylor and Thomas Tobin drew up a memorandum of an agreement whereby Thomas Tobin leased the Rising Sun Hotel off his father-in-law, Samuel Taylor for one year:

*Limekilns December First 1880*

*Memorandum of an agreement entered into this day between Samuel Taylor of Sydney of the one part and Thomas Tobin grazier of the Limekilns of the second part.*

*The conditions are as follows*

*The said Samuel Taylor agrees to let the House and appurtenances known as the Rising Sun Hotel with ground behind and side of House as held by A Wilson, the one hundred and twenty acres of Charles Taylor's selection, the land in front lately leased by James Selley also the ninety nine acres lately bought from Selley also the acres known as the O'Briens station for the term of One Year Rent to commence from the first day of January 1881 to the end of the Year 31st December 1881 for the sum of Thirst pounds.*

*Half Years rent due 30<sup>th</sup> June 1881 Fifteen pounds.*

*And the said Thomas Tobin on the second part agrees to the foregoing arrangement and agrees at the expiration of the said year to give up peaceable possession and to keep the House and appurtenances and fencing in fair state of repair.*

*At the expiration of this term it is mutually agreed upon to make a fresh arrangement.*

## ASSETS

**At the time of his death in 1895 his assets were listed as:**

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 Ugonia  
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

<b>Daughters:</b>	Francis Armour, Sarah Mc Loy, Ellen Lorkin, Catherine Scott
<b>Sisters:</b>	Annie Ward. Harriet Storer
<b>Cousin:</b>	David Cockburn.
<b>Daughters-in-law:</b>	Louisa Taylor. Elizabeth Taylor
<b>Grandchildren:</b>	Harriet Green, Mary Constance Taylor, Blanch Taylor, Elsie Taylor, Louisa Dacre Tobin, Mary Lousia McLoy. 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

### **He had bequeathed the hotel to his son-in-law.**

"As to my house situate at Limekilns aforesaid known as the Rising Sun with thirty acres of land adjoining my sixty six acres adjoining running from the Main Road to Wattle Flat towards Finlay's one hundred acres my seventy acres to the north also adjoining and thirty nine acres to the east of the said thirty acres Upon trust for my son in law Thomas Tobin for his life for an inalienable provision for him .Taylor, 1894

(Series 4, 8829, Probate Office, 29th July 1896)

### **The following is from a newspaper cutting, dated 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 miscalculation a moments forgetfulness and there you are, a strong man lies at death's 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 McCloy's 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 its 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 halfway 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 McCloy's 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 Mr R Larking 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 McCloy's 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 McCloy's, 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 off 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 Prairie 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 Shervy 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"

## TOBIN

1 James Tobin, b.1805 in County Cork Ireland. He married Margaret McGrath, 02-11-1826 in Cork City Ireland, b. 1803 in Ireland, d. 18-12-1884 in Limekilns, buried: 2-0-12-1884 in Bathurst. James died 14-10-1843 in Limekilns.

Transported to Aust on "*The Larkins*" arrived Sydney 22nd Dec 1827. Was assigned to Thomas Hawkins "Blackdown" Bathurst. On the 4th July 1834 he was charged with "riotous conduct" & received 50 lashes. He received his Ticket of Leave on 1st March 1838, then his Cert of Freedom on 2nd July 1838 & was reunited with his family in 1839, shortly after moved to Limekilns.

There is no record his burial. Margaret Arrived Aust. 07-01-1839 per "*Margaret*" with her 2 children.

*During my research into Limekilns I was shown the remains of an old hut 50m east of the old pub, claiming the hut was the home of James. Another 50m east is the Taylor graves. I suggest that James was buried in that area and when the Taylors were buried they were buried next to James as there was already graves there. Old hands talked of more than just the Taylors with headstone. CF.*

Children:

2. i. John Tobin b. 27-11-1827.
3. ii. Mary Tobin b. 01-07-1829.
- iii. Alice Frances Tobin , b.1839 in NSW, d. 01-11-1851, buried: 07-11-1851 in Bathurst.
4. iv. Thomas James Tobais Tobin b. 15-10-1841.

### Generation Two

2. John Tobin , b. 27-11-1827 in Cork Ireland. He married Margaret (Mary) McMahon, 02-02-1848 in Bathurst, b.1829 in Clare Ireland, d. 16-10-1904 in Limekilns, b: in Wattle Flat. John died 18-04-1885 in Limekilns, b: in Wattle Flat. Came to Aust with his mother 1839. Licensee of Hotel at Limekilns.

Children:

5. i. James Patrick Tobin b. 09-12-1847.
6. ii. Alice Tobin b. 11-04-1852.
7. iii. MaryTobin b.27-06-1854.
8. iv. SimonTobin b.30-05-1855.
- v. John Tobin, b. 1856 in Bathurst, d. 1880 in Bathurst.
- vi. Catherine Tobin, b.1859 in Limekilns, d. 1859.
- vii. Thomas Tobin , b. 1860 in Limekilns, d. 1860 in Limekilns.
- viii. Patrick Tobin , b. 1861 in Limekilns, d. 20-11-1955 in Limekilns.
- ix. Margaret Tobin , b. 1863 in Limekilns.
9. x, Thomas James Tobin, b. 1865.
10. xi. Michael Tobin, b. 03-05-1868.
11. xii. Joseph Tobin, b. 03-05-1868.
12. xiii. Denis Tobin, b. 06-03-1871.

3. Mary Tobin, b. 01-07-1829 in Cork Ireland. m Michael Riordan, 1844, b. 1810 in Ireland, d. 1901 in Bathurst. Mary died 1876 in Bathurst. Came to Aust with mother 1839.

Children:

13. i. Margaret Ignatius Riordan, b. 1846.
14. ii. Honara Mary Veronica Riordan,. 06-02-1848.
15. iii. James Riordan, b. 1849.
- iv. Francis Riordan, b. 07-04-1853 in Bathurst. He married Esther Florence O'Donoghue , in Sydney, b. 1861 in Sydney. Francis died 16-02-1935 in Bathurst.
- v. Patrick Riordan, b. 1854 in Bathurst, d. 1859 in Bathurst.
- vi. Thomas Riordan, b. 1856 in Bathurst, d. 1859 in Bathurst.
- vii. Mary Riordan, b. 1863 in Bathurst. m James Leonard. Mary died 1927 in Bathurst.
- viii. Michael John Riordan, b. 1866 in Bathurst. He married Mary E McKevitt, 1898 in Ashfield, b. 1871 in Ashfield, d. 1941. Michael d., -1928 in Pitt St Sydney.
- ix. Alice Gertrude Riordan, b. 1869 in Bathurst. m (1) Charles F M McCallum, 1894. m (2) Thomas Kenny, 1902 in Newtown, b. 1860. Alice died 1945 Sydney.

4. Thomas James Tobais Tobin, b. 15-10-1841 in Limekilns. m (1) Harriet Taylor, 24-06-1861 in Bathurst, b. 07-06-1839 in London, d. 03-08-1892 in Bathurst, buried: in Bathurst. m(2) Francis Mary Murphy nee O'Donoghue, 26-09-1895, b. 1860 in Sydney. Thomas died 1909. Harriet: See TAYLOR TREE

Children by Harriet Taylor:

16. i. James Tobin, b. 25-08-1862.
- ii. John Patrick Tobin, b. 1863 in Limekilns, d. 1954 in Bathurst.
17. iii. Louisa Dacre Taylor Tobin, b. 1865.
- iv. Samuel Tobin, b. 18-07-1867 in Bathurst, d. 01-04-1869 in Bathurst.



18. v. Thomas Joseph Tobin, b. 24-10-1868.
- vi. Samuel Edward Tobin, b. 26-12-1870 in Bathurst, d. 1937.
19. vii. Charles Edward Tobin, b. 21-04-1874.
20. viii. Mary Josephine Tobin, b. 29-01-1876.
21. ix. Benjamin Forest Tobin, b. 03-03-1880.
- Children by Francis Mary Murphy nee O'Donoghue:
22. x. Esther Harriet Margaret Ida Tobin, b. 05-02-1896.

### Generation Three

5. James Patrick Tobin , b. 09-12-1847 in Bathurst, baptized 26-12-1848. M Martha Agnes Kearney, 06-06-1876 in Limekilns, b. 22-03-1857 in Sofala, d. 31-12-1920. James died 10-09-1903 in Wattle Flat.

Children:

- i. Frederick McMahon Undercliff Tobin, b. 1877 in Limekilns, d. 02-11-1948, b:Wattle Flat.
23. ii. Mary Myra Tobin, b. 25-06-1879.
24. iii. Laurence James A Tobin, b. 1880.
25. iv. Sarah Ann Mary Tobin, b. 08-06-1883.
26. v. Margaret Josephine Tobin, b. 13-12-1884.
27. vi. John Patrick (Boxer Jack) Tobin, b. 04-12-1886.
- vii. Ellen Agatha Tobin, b. 1890 in Limekilns, d. 1977.
28. viii. Harriet Martha Agnes (babe) Tobin, b. 22-10-1892.
- ix. James J Tobin, b. 22-03-1902 in Limekilns, d. 01-08-1968, buried: in Wattle Flat.

6. Alice Tobin, b. 11-04-1852. m John Patrick McCudden, 1871 in Peel, b. 1848, d. 18-03-1929, b: in Tomingley. Alice died 04-05-1915, b: in Tomingley. John SEE McCUDDEN TREE

Children:

29. i. Mary McCudden, b. 1872.
30. ii. Francis James McCudden, b. 1876.
31. iii. John J McCudden, b. 1879.
32. iv. Florence Esther McCudden, b. 1881.
- v. Veronica McCudden, b. 1884, d. 1976.
- vi. Lydia McCudden, b. 1887. m Edward C Oates, 1920 in Narromine. Lydia died 1974.

7. Mary Tobin, b. 27-06-1854 in Fernbrook Limekilns, baptized 16-11-1854. m Timothy Kearney, 06-06-1876 in Limekilns, b. 1853. Mary died 03-11-1878 in Portland.

Children:

33. i. Margaret Kearney, b. 1877.

8. Simon Tobin, b. 30-05-1855 in Limekilns. m Sarah Jane Davis, 11-07-1882 in Bathurst, b. 09-04-1865 in Palmers Oakey (daughter of James Davis and Sarah Jaques ). Simon died 1934 in Emmaville

Children:

34. i. John Thomas Tobin b. 04-07-1883.
35. ii. James McMahon Stanislaw Tobin, b. 25-03-1885.
36. iii. Arthur Thomas Tobin, b.1887.
37. iv. Eugeanie "Jean" M Tobin,. 1889.
38. v. Sarah Jane Tobin, b. 1891.
- vi. Raymond Tobin, b. 1893 in Wattle Flat.
39. vii. Walter Dennis Tobin, b. 1895.
40. viii Vincent Joseph Tobin, b. 04-02-1898.

9. Thomas James Tobin, b. 1865 in Limekilns. m Mary Ellen McGrath, 06-05-1906 in Sydney, b. 1878. Thomas died 22-08-1924 in Gulgong.

Children:

- i. John Lindsay Gordon Tobin, b. 1908 in Parramatta.
- ii. Harold Thomas Tobin, b. 1909.
- iii. Michael Denis Tobin, b. 1911 in Parramatta.

10. Michael Tobin, b. 03-05-1868 in Limekilns. mMargaret B Gorman 14-10-1902 in Wattle Flat, b. 03-04-1880 in Limekilns (daughter of John J Gorman and Ellen M Neville ), d. 1913 in Wattle Flat. Twin to Joseph.

Children

- i. Emmett Tobin, b. 1902. He married Edna L Bishop, 1926.
- ii. Clive E J Tobin, b. 1907 in Wattle Flat, d. 1913 in Bathurst.
41. iii. Denis Tobin, b. 1910.

- 11.** Joseph Tobin, b. 03-05-1868 in Limekilns. m Selina Jane Twiss, 01-03-1897 in Bathurst, b. 1877, d. 18-07-1947, b: in Wattle Flat. Joseph died 26-11-1945 in Sydney, b: in Wattle Flat. Twin to Michael.

Children:

- 42. i. Naumann E Tobin, b. 21-09-1897.
- 43. ii. Michael Cameron McMahon Tobin, b. 24-09-1898.
- 44. iii. Athol Tobin, b. 26-11-1903.
- 45. iv. Joseph Byrne Tobin, b. 1908.
- v. Mary Clare Tobin, b. 06-06-1909 in Canowindra. She married Eric W Felton, 1930 in Parramatta.  
Mary died 16-03-1991, buried: in Wattle Flat.
- vi. Stella Margaret Tobin, b. 11-12-1912 in Canowindra, d. 29-09-1991 in Wattle Flat.

- 12.** Denis Tobin, b. 06-03-1871 in Limekilns. He married Mary Gorman, 1896 in Wattle Flat, b. 28-01-1878 in Sunny Corner (daughter of John J Gorman and Ellen M Neville), d. 30-11-1952. Denis died 21-12-1952 in Bathurst.

Children:

- i...John Joseph Tobin, b. 02-08-1897 in Wattle Flat. He married Millicent Irene Whiteman, 21-06-1933 in Bathurst. John died 02-12-1967 in "Tabertong" Limekilns.
- 46. ii. Mary Ellen Tobin, b. 01-11-1899.
- 47. iii. Alma Mavis Tobin b. 24-09-1900.
- 48. iv. Ellen Tobin, b. 12-11-1902.
- 49. v. Thelma Louise (Lou) Tobin, b. 07-11-1905.
- 50. vi. Hypatia (Pat) Neville Margaret Tobin, b. 01-07-1919.

- 13.** Margaret Ignatius Riordan b.1846 in Bathurst. m John Nagle 1865 in Bathurst. Margaret died 17-02-1876 in Bathurst. Died in a house fire Lambert St.

Children:

- i John Nagle. He married Martha Pryor, 1893 in Bathurst.
- ii Margaret Nagle, b. 1866 in Bathurst.
- iii Patrick John Nagle, b. 1870 in Bathurst, d. 1872 in Bathurst.
- iv. Thomas Joseph Nagle, b. 1872 in Carcoar, d. 17-02-1876 in Bathurst fire in Lambert St.
- iiiv. Martina Marguerita Nagle, b. 1874 in Bathurst. m William T Mockett, 1890 in Bathurst.

- 14.** Honara Mary Veronica Riordan, b. 06-02-1848 in Bathurst. m John Alex Cooke, 27-11-1872 in Bx.

Children:

- i...Gertrude Catherine Cooke, b. 1873. m Arthur James Shawcross -1907, d. 1908 in Bathu.
- 51. ii. Mary Ellen Cooke, b. 1875.
- 52. iii. Margaret Elizabeth Cooke, b. 03-06-1877.
- iv. John Henry Cooke, b. 1880, d. 30-08-1933 in Orange.
- v. Francis Michael Cooke, b. 1883, d. 1907.
- vi. John Joseph Cooke, b. 1885. m Myrtle Emily Mary Flanagan, 1918, d. 1955 in Bathurst.

- 15.** James Riordan, b. 1849 in Bathurst. m (1) Ellen Lynch, 1876. m (2) Clara Morley, 1880.

Children by Clara Morley:

- i. Walter Riordan, b. 1881, d. 1881.
- ii. Arleen Riordan.
- iii. Kathleen Riordan.
- iv. Clara Riordan.
- v. Thomas Riordan.
- vi. Veronica Riordan.

- 16.** James Tobin, b. 25-08-1862 in Mitchells Creek. He married Jessie Florence Davison, 1898 in Bathurst, b. 28-01-1866 in Browns Hill, d. 29-06-1946 in Bathurst, buried: in Kelso. James died 17-11-1917, buried: in Bathurst.

Children:

- i. .Alice Harriet Margaret Tobin, b. 21-02-1899 in Limekilns, d. 02-09-1941
- 53. ii. Francis Thomas James Tobin b. 02-07-1901.
- 54. iii. Andrew Richard Charles Tobin b. 17-02-1904.
- iv. Joseph Anthony Jonathon Tobin, b. 1907 in Wattle Flat. m Gladys Ruth Howarth, 1943 in Bathurst, b. 1911, d. 1943 in Bathurst. Joseph died 1985 in Wellington.
- 55. v. Jessie Florence Winifred Tobin, b. 13-02-1910.

17. Louisa Dacre Taylor Tobin, b. 1865. She married Edward Joseph Barnes, 09-04-1890 in Limekilns, b. 09-02-1865 in Hants England, occ. Police officer,. d. 1948 in Sydney. Louisa died 1963 in Sydney.

Children:

- i. Mary Harriet Barnes, b. 24-01-1892 in Hartley.
- ii. Thomas Edward Barnes, b. 21-05-1893 in Newbridge.
- iii. John Barnes, b. 1897 in Marsden, d. 1897 in Marsden.

18. Thomas Joseph Tobin, b. 24-10-1868 in Bathurst. He married Annie Florence Beatrice Lewis, 29-06-1898 in Rouse Hill, b. 15-09-1875 in Palmers Oakey, d. 03-06-1925 in Limekilns, b: in Bathurst. Thomas died 08-08-1953 in Bathurst.

Children:

- 56. i. Harriett Annie Louisa Tobin, b. 02-05-1900.
- ii. Margaret Tobin, b. 26-08-1903 in French's Forrest, d. 1903 in French's Forrest, buried: in Gore Hill.
- iii. Thomas James Tobin, b. 11-10-1906 in Wattle Flat. d. 21-03-1982.
- 57. iv. James Spencer Tobin b. 27-11-1914.

19. Charles Edward Tobin , b. 21-04-1874 in Bathurst. He married Mary Annie Davison 14-10-1900 in Bathurst, b. 05-04-1873 in Bathurst, d. 13-10-1962, buried: in Kelso. Charles died 08-06-1948 in Bathurst, buried: in Kelso.

Children:

- i...Annie Gladys Tobin, b. 1901 in Bathurst. m. Archibald Waddell 1932 in Bathurst, b. 1894 in Bellingen, d. 1984 in Inverell. Annie died 1988
- 58. ii. Samuel Reginald Tobin, b. 1905.

20. Mary Josephine Tobin, b. 29-01-1876 in Bathurst. m Arnold William Barnes 18-09-1900 in Bathurst, b. 23-05-1877 in London, d. 1934. Mary died 12-02-1971.

Children:

- i. Francis Arnold Barnes, b. 10-10-1901 in Limekilns.
- ii. Harriet Mary Philomena Barnes, b. 22-01-1903 in Limekilns.
- iii. EllenLouisaBarnes, b.12-04-1907,d. 17-07-1916.
- iv. Edith Alice Barnes, b. 22-04-1911 in Bathurst.

21. Benjamin Forest Tobin, b. 03-03-1880. He m Alice Maude Davison, 1903 in Bathurst, b. 05-10-1882 in Bathurst, d. 31-07-1968, b. in Woronora. Benjamin died 23-10-1975 in Bathurst.

Children:

- i...Elma Winifred Tobin, b. 1904 in Bathurst. m. Wilfred Haddon, 1943 Elma died 1965.
- 59. ii. Leslie Forest Tobin, b. 1908.
- iii. Maude Doreen Tobin, b. 1920 in Bathurst. m Alan Noel Bramble Percival, 1941 in Bath.

22. Esther Harriet Margaret Ida Tobin, b. 05-02-1896. M. Michael Cameron McMahon Tobin, 1920 in Bathurst, b. 24-09-1898 in Wattle Flat (son of Joseph Tobin and Selina Jane Twiss), d. 13-05-1975, buried: in Wattle Flat. Esther died 1948 in Sydney.

Children:

- i. Edna Tobin, b. 1921, d. 1975 in Sydney.
- ii. Maurice Tobin, b. 1925 in Sydney, d. 1990 in Sydney.

#### Generation Four

23. Mary Myra Tobin, b. 25-06-1879 in Limekilns. She married Robert William Wilson, 08-11-1899 in Bathurst, b. 18-02-1869, d. 08-03-1915. Mary died 02-01-1914, buried: in Wattle Flat. Robert: SEE WILSON TREE

Children:

- 60. i. Doriel Euly Wilson, b. 1900.

24. Laurence James A Tobin, b. 1880 in Limekilns. He married Unknown. Laurence died 24-11-1947, buried: in Wattle Flat.

Children:

- i. Martha Agnes Tobin, d. 1920 in Bathurst.

**25.** Sarah Ann Mary Tobin , b. 08-06-1883 Limekilns. m Charles Absalan 1904.

Children:

- i. James Absalan, b. 1905 in St Leonards.
- ii. Myrtle M Absalan, b. 1906 in St Leonards.
- iii. Charles J Absalan, b. 1910 in Chatswood.
- iv. Daphne V Absalan, b. 1914 in Sydney.

**26.** Margaret Josephine Tobin, b. 13-12-1884 in Limekilns. m Henry Langford, 1912.

Children:

- i. Mary E Langford, b. 1914 in Chatswood.
- ii. Henry J Langford, b. 1915 in Chatswood.
- iii. Arthur C Langford, b. 1918 in Goulburn.

**27.** John Patrick (Boxer Jack) Tobin, b. 04-12-1886 in Limekilns. He married Ida Ethel (Doll) Bennett , 10-01-1910 in Bathurst, b. 1892 (daughter of William Bennett and Charlotte Madaline Paton), d. 03-01-1962. John died 28-07-1963 in Bathurst, buried: 30-07-1963 in Bathurst

Children:

61. i. Ida Lillian Tobin b. 1910.
62. ii. William J Tobin b. 1912.
63. iii. Leslie John Tobin b. 08-08-1914.
- iv. Mavis I Tobin, b. 1916 in Chatswood. m Athol Alan Grayson, 1942.
64. v. Edward Charles Tobin, b. 1918.
65. vi. Ronald Ivan Tobin, b. 1920.
- vii. Mervyn Douglas Tobin. He m. (1) Bessie Crowley. He m. (2) Peggy.
66. viii Audrey Ethel Tobin.

**28.** Harriet Martha Agnes (babe) Tobin, b. 22-10-1892 in Limekilns. m. Frederick Wallace Schofield, 1912 in Bathurst, b. 1889. Frederick son of James Schofield & Mary A Churches

Children:

- i. Norman James Schofield, b. 1913 in Bathurst.
- ii. Rita Schofield, b. 1915 in Bathurst.
- iii. Albert Eric Schofield, b. -1918 in Bathurst. He m. Doris May Smit, 1942.

**29.** Mary McCudden b 1872. m (1) Arthur McCloskey 1896 in Peak Hill. m (2) Joseph W Wells.

Children by Arthur McCloskey:

- i. John McCloskey, d. 1910.

**30.** Francis James McCudden, b. 1876. m Sarah A Waddick, 1897. Francis d. 1959.

Children:

- i...Margaretta McCudden, b.1897 in Peak Hill. m Francis W Colley, 1923 in Marrickville.
- ii. Robert D McCudden, b. 1899 in Peak Hill.
- iii..Macy Alice McCudden, b.1902 in Peak Hill. m Francis Turner, 1941 in Marrickville.
- iv. Veronica D McCudden, b. 1904 in Peak Hill.
- v. Ethel E McCudden, b. -1906 in Dubbo. m. Martin A McHugh, 1932 in Waverley.
- vi. Victoria L McCudden, b. 1909 in Dubbo. m. Gordon H Crick 1932 in Waverley.

**31.** John J McCudden, b. 1879. m Margaret Burges McClean, 1908. John d. 1961.

Children:

- i. Marjorie O McCudden, b. 1909 in Dubbo.
- ii. Francis McCudden, b. 1911 in Dubbo.
- iii. Harold McCudden, b. 1912 in Dubbo.
- iv. Arthur Robert McCudden, b.1914 in Dubbo.
- v. John H McCudden b. 1915 in Dubbo.
- vi. Elizabeth McCudden, b. 1917 in Dubbo.

**32.** Florence Esther McCudden b 1881. m Peter Robert John Nolan 1908 in Peak Hill.  
Florence died 1939 in Kingsford.

Children:

- i. John Robert Walter Nolan, b. 11-07-1910 in Dubbo.
- ii. Alice Macy Nolan, b. 1917 in Dubbo.

**33.** Margaret Kearney, b. 1877 in Bathurst. m James Edwards, 1906 in Wattle Flat.

Children:

i. Macy E P Kearney, b. 1907.

**34.** John Thomas Tobin, b. 04-07-1883 Cumnock. m. Charlotte Crockett, John d 1963.

Children:

- i. Lynn Tobin.
- ii. Miriam Tobin.
- iii. John Tobin.
- iv. Ruth Tobin.

**35.** James McMahon Stanislaw Tobin, b. 25-03-1885 in Molong. He married Blanche Jones, 24-07-1911 in Tenterfield, b. 27-12-1895, d. 14-05-1985, buried: in Emmaville. James died 00-11-1956 in Emmaville, buried: in Torrington.

Children:

- i. Arthur D Tobin, b. 29-12-1911 in Tenterfield.
- ii. Gordon Patrick Tobin, b. 09-10-1913 in Tenterfield.
- iii. Thora Hope Tobin, b. 07-12-1915 in Emmaville.
- iv. Vincent James Tobin, b. 29-10-1917 in Tenterfield.
- v. Iris Daphne may Tobin, b. 26-01-1919.
- vi. Sarah Jane Tobin, b. 12-06-1921 in Tungsten.
- vii. Edward Tobin, b. 25-06-1923 in Emmaville.
- viii. Kitty Tobin, b. 24-05-1925.
- ix. Jean Elizabeth Tobin,
- x. Hilda Maud Tobin,
- xi. Doreen June Tobin,
- xii. Frederick Carl Tobin.
- xiii. Enid May Tobin, d. 02-07-1936 in Torrington, buried: in Torrington.

**36.** Arthur Thomas Tobin, b. 1887. m Ivy M S Peach, 15-12-1909 in Tenterfield, b. 19-03-1891, d. 1984 in Brisbane. Arthur d. 26-09-1941 in Torrington,

Children:

- i. William Tobin.
- ii. Terline May Tobin, b. 1910 in Tenterfield.
- iii. Allan Horace Tobin, b. 1912 in Tenterfield.
- iv. Arthur James Tobin, b.1913 in Tenterfield.
- v. Violet I Tobin, b. 1916 in Tenterfield.
- vi. Mavis E Tobin , b. 1918 in Emmaville.
- vii. Edna Jane Tobin, b. 16-11-1924, d. 09-09-1929.

**37.** Eugene "Jean" M Tobin, b. 1889 in Bathurst. m Francis A Thompson 1923 Eugene d. 02-02-1965.

Children:

- i. Frank Thompson.
- ii. Vince Thompson.
- iii. Agnes Thompson.

**38.** Sarah Jane Tobin b 1891 in Bathurst. m. Ernest Frederick Griffin 1909. Sarah d. 04-11-1978 in Sofala.

Children:

- i. Frederick Griffin.
- ii. Dorothy (Dot) Griffin.

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**39.** Walter Dennis Tobin, b. 1895 in Wattle Flat. m. Martha Elizabeth Parlett, 1923 Lithgow.

Children:

- i. Joyce Tobin.
- ii. Albert George Tobin.
- iii. Jean Tobin.
- iv. Joseph Tobin, d. 1931 in Lithgow.
- v. William A Tobin.
- vi. Arthur Tobin.
- vii. Doreen Tobin.
- viii. Walter Dennis Tobin, d. 1941 in Lithgow.

- 40.** Vincent Joseph Tobin, b. 04-02-1898 in Wattle Flat. m Mary G Celestine Astill, 1922 in Canowindra. Vincent d. 24-06-1979 in Canowindra, buried in Canowindra.

Children:

- i. Felix Alfred Tobin, b. 01-06-1923.
- ii. Maxwell Vincent Tobin, b. 00-10-1924, d. 1941.
- iii. Beryl Jean Tobin,.
- iv. Colleen S Tobin.
- v. Terrence Simon Tobin.
- vi. Alphonsus Tobin.
- vii. Genevive Tobin.
- viii. Mavis Ann Tobin.
- ix. Philomena Tobin.
- x. Trevor Peter Tobin.

- 41.** Denis Tobin, b. 1910 in Wattle Flat. He married Verona Laurina D'Arcy Nicholls , 29-04-1936 in Bathurst, Verona b.1917 in Moree. Denis died 30-01-1967, buried: in Wattle Flat. Verona: Father William J Nicholls mother Mary Darcy

Children:

- i. Jann Tobin.
- ii. Gorman D'Arcy Tobin.
- iii. Carol Tobin.
- iv. Kay Tobin.

- 42.** Naumann E Tobin, b. 21-09-1897 in Limekilns. He married Elma M Mc Closkey 1919 in Bathurst, b. 1902, buried: in Canowindra. Naumann buried: in Canowindra.

Children:

- i. Alan Tobin.

- 43.** Michael Cameron McMahon Tobin (See marriage to number 22.)

- 44.** Athol Tobin, b. 26-11-1903 in Canowindra. He married Marjorie Thelma Dunn, 18-04-1934 in Bx, b. 05-05-1910 in Orange. Athol. d. 22-12-1989 in "The Oakey" Limekilns, b: 29-12-1989 in Wattle Flat.

Children:

- i. Ann Tobin. She married Dennis Barlow Kenny.
- ii. Athol (Bobby) Tobin. He married Lorraine Bennett .Athol died 13-10-1984.

- 45.** Joseph Byrne Tobin, b.-1908 in Canowindra. He m. **(1)** Alice P McKenny, 1931 in Bathurst He married **(2)** Blanche Flynn (Webber) 1945 in Bx, b. 1904, d. 1994. Joseph d. 23-01-1989, b: in Wattle Flat.

Children by Blanche Flynn (Webber):

- i. Brian Patrick (Digger) Webber .
- ii. Barry Tobin.
- iii. Lyal Tobin.

- 46.** Mary Ellen Tobin, b. 01-11-1899 in Wattle Flat. She married Archibald Gilmore Virtue Wood, 09-04-1928 in Bathurst, b. 29-04-1906 in Brooklyn Hawksbury River,d. 00-09-1967 in Melbourne, buried: Body to Melbourne Uni. Mary died 00-12-1975 in Melbourne, buried, Body to Melbourne Uni.

Children:

- i. Denice Patricia Wood,
- ii. Hunter Raleigh Tobin Wood,

- 47.** Alma Mavis Tobin, b. 24-09-1900 in Wattle Flat. She married Daniel Hugh Healey , 02-03-1931 in Ashfield, b. 1896, d. 15-07-1974. Alma died 1993.

Children:

- i. Pauline Leita Healey.
- ii. Daniel Lawson Healey, d. 06-12-1952.

- 48.** Ellen Tobin, b. 12-11-1902 in Wattle Flat. m. Reginald Charles Richards, 03-10-1927 in Bathurst.

Children:

- i. June Richards.
- ii. Lee Richards.

49. Thelma Louise (Lou) Tobin, b. 07-11-1905 in Limekilns.  
She married Allen Brenton Chisolme, 31-01-1934 in Bathurst.

Children:

- i. Dawn Chisolme. She married??? Callan.

50. Hypatia (Pat) Neville Margaret Tobin, b. 01-07-1919. m. Austin Stanley Wallace Fearn, 1938 in Bathurst, Both died 1967 in "Tabbertong"

Children:

- i. Christine Fearn.  
ii. Kay Fearn.  
iii. Jill Fearn.  
iv. Coral Fearn.  
v. Roger Fearn.

51. Mary Ellen Cooke, b. 1875 Bathurst. m James Charles Locke 1898 Bathurst. Mary d 1928.

Children:

- i. Madeline Mary Ellen Locke , b. 1899 in Brewongle. m. Ralph Heathcote, 1929.  
ii. Edward John Locksley Locke, b. 30-05-1900 in Brewongle, d. 21-01-1921 in O'Connell.  
iii. Murial Veronica Locke, b. 1912 in Locksley. She married Charles James Hennessy  
iv. Mervyn Henry Locke, b. 1914 in Brewongle. He married Sheila Pinkerton  
v. Gordon Henry Locke , b. 1917.

52. Margaret Elizabeth Cooke, b. 03-06-1877 in Bathurst. She married William James Locke, 1904, b. 1874, d. 15-11-1954. Margaret died 1931.

Children:

- i. Francis John Locke, b. 23-05-1905 in Locksley.m. Frances Thelma Mockler 26-05-1973.  
ii. Gertrude Eileen Locke, b. 1908 in Locksley.  
iii. William Edward Locke, b. 31-01-1914 in Locksley, d. 10-08-1994.  
iv. Marjorie Mary Locke, b. 1917. She married Lesley Ernest Callan,-1947.

53. Francis Thomas James Tobin, b. 02-07-1901 in Bathurst, occ. Farmer & Grazier. He married Amy Alice Elbourn, 22-01-1934 in Portland, b. 06-10-1910 in Upper Turon, d. 15-03-1995 in Gulgong. Francis died 03-10-1951 in Bathurst, buried: in Bathurst.

Children:

68. i. Donald Francis Tobin  
ii. Nita Amy Tobin  
iii. Faith Tobin, d. 24-06-1940 in Bathurst, b: in Bathurst.  
iv.. Ian Kennet Tobin, d. 14-12-2000 in Newcastle, buried: 19-12-2000 in Wallsend.  
v. Kaye Heather Tobin. m Max Schmidt 14-06-1969.

54. Andrew Richard Charles Tobin, b. 17-02-1904 in Limekilns. He married Mary Winifred McGuinn, 26-09-1939 in Toowoomba, b. 30-08-1916 in Toowoomba, d. 12-06-1980 in Bathurst. Andrew died 28-02-1990 in Bathurst.

Children:

- i. Leo Aquinas Tobin  
69. ii. Bryan Ignatius Tobin  
70. iii. Kerrie Veronica Tobin  
71. iv. Eris Alphonsus Tobin  
v. Gregory Augustine Tobin He married Roslyn Judith Denny, 1967 in Goulburn,  
vi..Garry Dominic Tobin He married Susan Alice King 1976 in Forbes,

55. Jessie Florence Winifred Tobin, b. 13-02-1910 in "Alicedale" Limekilns. m. Robert Byers, 21-04-1930 in Bathurst, b. 28-09-1900 in Dark Corner, d. 31-05-1972 in Bathurst. Jessie died 13.01-1992 in Bathurst.

Children:

- i.... Jessie Elaine Byers She married Leo John Foran, Bathurst. d. 16-09-1961 in Bathurst.  
ii Stanley Robert Byers . He married Janice Elaine Muldoon 1990 in Bathurst.  
72. iii. Vincent Edward Byers  
iv. Mervyn Harold Byers. He married Betty Jean Lamont 1976 in West Bathurst,  
v. Mary Lorraine Byers She married William Ronald Patton 1969 in West Bathurst



- 56.** Harriett Annie Louisa Tobin, b. 02-05-1900 in Frenches Forrest. m. John Fry 1937 in Sydney. Harriett died 14-07-1990 in Palmdale.

Children:

- i. Mary Tobin. (*Father may have been Eugene Varagnoln*) born 25-10-1897

- 57.** James Spencer Tobin, b. 27-11-1914 in Limekilns. m Harriet Alice Gibson 1948 in Gosford, b. 05-02-1924 in West Gosford. d. 11-08-2016 in Bathurst. Crem 17-08-2016.  
James d. 21-08-1988 in Bathurst, b. Kelso.

Children:

- i. Nola HarrietTobin , m. Ian Leslie Ramsay , 18-10-1969.  
ii. Debra Jane Tobin , . m. John Leslie Shache , 18-05-1985.

73. iii. Martyn James Tobin

- 58.** Samuel Reginald Tobin, b.1905 in Bx.. m. Edith Elizabeth Prior 1932 in Bathurst. Samuel d.1983.

Children:

- i. Edith Maureen Tobin . She married John Earle Mostyn,1970 in Bathurst.

74. ii. Lester Prior Tobin

- iii. Edward Charles Tobin , . He married Janete Marilyn Dwyer 1981.

- iv. Reginald Barry Tobin. He married Marlyn Ann Lees 1967,.

- v. Maxwell Lachlan Tobin. He married Carmel Mary Coady 1973.

- 59.** Leslie Forest Tobin b 1908 in Bathurst. He married Majory Florence Fitzpatrick-1936 in Bathurst, b. 1916. Leslie died 1978 in Carlton.

Children:

- i. Ronald Leslie Tobin

- ii. David John Tobin

#### Generation Five

- 60.** Doriel Euly Wilson, b. 1900. She married Alfred R Schofield, 1925, b. 1896. Alfred:  
Son of James Schofield & Mary A Churches

Children:

- i. Alf Schofield.

- ii. Iris Schofield.

- iii. Stan Schofield.

- iv. Don Schofield.

- v. Daphene Schofield.

- 61.** Ida Lillian Tobin b.1910 in Bathurst. m. Roy Joseph Glazebrook 1928, b. 1900.

Children:

- i. Maxwell Roy Glazebrook, d. 00-00-1936 in Bathurst.

- 62.** William J Tobin b 1912 in St Marys. He m. (1) Vera Whalan He m. (2) Quinnie .

Children by Vera "Whalan:

75. i. Kevin Tobin

- 63.** Leslie John Tobin, b. 08-08-1914 in Parramatta. He married Joan Elizabeth Ahearn 23-01-1937. Leslie died 1999.

Children:

- i. Leo Patrick Tobin d. 31-03-1941.

- ii. Anthony John Tobin He married Faye Gaynor O'Connor. Anthony died 26-12-1980.

- iii. Barry James Tobin . He married Patricia Ann Alderson.

- iv. Brian Maxwell Tobin . He married June Rose Kellahan.

- v. Ian Leslie Tobin . He married Valerie Carr.

- 64.** Edward Charles Tobin, b.1918 in Penrith. M. Alice Ester Jones, 1939 in Bathurst.

Children:

- i. Faye Tobin. She married Malcolm Gherkin.

- ii. Jeanette Tobin. Died at birth.

- iii. Maureen Tobin. She married Geoffery Clark

- iv. Edward Tobin. He married Doreen Kellahan .

- 65.** Ronald Ivan Tobin, b. 1920. He m. (1) Edna Jean Sargent 1939 in Bathurst. He m. (2) Fay Johnson.

Children by Edna Jean Sargent:

- i. Wayne Tobin. He married Pam Mooney.

Children:

- Children:

### Children by Susan Ada Pateman:

- Children:

- Children:

- Children:

- Children:

77. ii. Paul Vincent Byers

- iii. David Robert Byers

- Children:

- Children:

79. i. Jennifer Mary Tobin  
ii. Brian Charles Tobin

### Generation Six

75. Kevin Tobin He married Enid? .

Children:

- i. Kristen Tobin
- ii. Shevaun Tobin
- iii. Mark Tobin.
- iv. Elizabeth Tobin.

76. Susan Michelle Tobin. m. Ian Alan Arthur , 1982 in Forrest ACT,

Children:

- i. Kellie Michelle Arthur
- ii. Dennis Ian Arthur

77. Paul Vincent Byers. He married Michelle Maree Lewis (Byers)

Children:

- i. Samuel Byers
- ii. Fiona Louise Byers
- iii. Amanda Jane Byers

78. Sue Raquel Byers . She married Graham Thomas Laidley, 12-03-1988 in Bathurst,

Children:

- i... Matthew Graham Laidley
- ii. Christopher Leon Laidley
- iii...Luke Vincent Laidley .

79. Jennifer Mary Tobin, She married Raymond George Tomlinson

Children:

- i. Nicky Tomlinson
- ii. Stacey Tomlinson.



MARGARET (MARY) TOBIN 1829-1904



John Patrick Tobin, 1/2 sister Ester Tobin, Thomas Joseph Tobin, Tom Tobin, Jim Tobin



MARTYN TOBIN PRESENT OWNER OF THE "RISING SUN"  
He has restored the old pub to its original glory.  
Job well done.



ALLAN CHISHOLM ALMA TOBIN 2-3-1931





TOBIN FAMILY 1926  
MID, LOU, JACK, ALMA, NELLIE.  
DENNIS, PAT, MARY.



ARCHIE WOOD & MID TOBIN WEDDING 9-4-1928.  
DENNY TOBIN. ARCHIES BROTHER. DENNIS TOBIN. JACK TOBIN. ALLAN CHISHOLME



**JACK TOBIN & MILLIE WHITEMAN 21-6-1933**  
**HYPATIA TOBIN. MR. WHITEMAN. EMMITT TOBIN (Jacks cousin)**

## **WILSON.**

1. Alexander Wilson, b. 24-08-1845 in Pool of Mukart Scotland, d. 23-05-1923 in Bathurst, buried in Bathurst Presb. Arrived Aust. 22-11-1856 per "Edward Oliver" occ; Teamster, hotel keeper. He married Jessie Alexanderia Sinclair, b. 21-03-1844 in "Watton" Bathurst, d. 30-09-1888 in Bathurst. SEE SINCLAIR TREE

### Children:

- i. Annie Randolph Wilson, b. 1861 in Bathurst, d. 1861 in Bathurst.
- ii. Walter John Wilson, b. 1863 in Bathurst, d. 05-10-1934 in Bathurst.
- iii. Alexander Norman Wilson, b. 1865 in Bathurst, d. 1939.
2. iv. Jessie Elizabeth Wilson b. 1867.
3. v. Robert William Wilson b. 1869.
4. vi. Margaret Gertrude Wilson b. 1871.
- vii. Adeline (Ada) Wilson, b. 1873 in Gulgong, d. 1874 in Gulgong.
- viii. William Wallace Wilson, b. 1875 in Home Rule, d. 1875 in Home Rule.
- ix. Janet Emily Wilson, b. 1877 near Limekilns. She married James Taylor.
- x. George Hamilton Wilson, b. 1880 in Limekilns, d. 1943. He married Ellen Gorman.
5. xi. Eleanor Wilson b. 1881.

## **Generation Two**

2. Jessie Elizabeth Wilson, b. 1867 in Glanmire. m Thomas Byers, 1891 in Dark Corner, b. 1857 in Sydney (son of Robert Byers and Hannah Dodd), d. 1936 in Bathurst. SEE BYERS TREE

### Children:

- i. Thomas Byers, b. 1893 in Waverley, d. 23-12-1980 in Bathurst.
- ii. James Byers, b. 1894 in Sunny Corner, d. 13-04-1982 in Bathurst.
6. iii. Robert Byers b. 1900.



- 3** Robert William Wilson, b. 1869 in Cargo, d. 1915, buried 09-03-1915 in Bathurst. He married Mary Myna Tobin, 08-11-1899 in ASC Bathurst, b. 1880 in Limekilns. SEE TOBIN TREE.

Children:

- i. Doriel E Wilson, b. 1900 in Wattle Flat.

- 4** Margaret Gertrude Wilson, b. 1871 in Bathurst, d. 1952 in Bathurst. m John Byers, b. 1859 in Sydney (son of Robert Byers and Hannah Dodd), d. 1929 in Bathurst. SEE BYERS TREE

Children:

- i.. Jessie Byers, b. 26-11-1893 in Dark Corner, d. 03-05-1982 in Bathurst. m. John (Jack) Tooby, 09-07-1932.  
7. ii. Mary Byers b. 28-08-1895.  
iii. John (Jack) Byers, b. 19-09-1900 in Dark Corner, d. 06-08-1988 in Bathurst, m Nina Scanes.  
8. iv. William (Bill) Byers b. 17-07-1904.

- 5.** Eleanor Wilson, b. 1881 in Limekilns, d. 1966. m Edward (Wed) Grabham, 1910 in Wattle Flat.

Children:

- i. Jessie J Grabham, b. 1914 in Bathurst.

### Generation Three

- .6.** Robert Byers, b. 1900 in Dark Corner, d. 31-05-1972 in Bathurst. m Jessie Tobin, 1930 in Bathurst. Jessie SEE TOBIN TREE

Children:

- i. Elaine Byers.  
ii. Stanley Byers.  
iii. Vincent Byers.  
iv Mervyn Byers  
v.. Mary Byers

- 7.** Mary Byers, b. 28-08-1895 in Dark Corner. She married Eric (Ec) Churches, 26-12-1929 in Bathurst, b. 14-08-1895 in Raglan, d. 22-05-1974. SEE CHURCHES TREE

Children:

- i. Alexander Churches,  
ii. Meba Churches, d. 1988.  
iii. Isobel Churches,  
iv..Carol Churches, b.

- 8.** Bill Byers, b. 17-07-1904 in Limekilns, d. 15-06-1977 in Sofala.

Children:

- i. Margaret Byers.  
ii. Helen Byers.  
iii Heather Byers.  
iv. John Byers.



ALEXANDER WILSON

## FROM COUSIN ANNIE'S BIRTHDAY BOOK.

*Several years ago I was given a small book that Annie Tobin kept birthday records in. There are 277 names listed. I wonder to-day how many birthday books have that number. A lot of these names are Limekilns and distric people.CF*

**To Cousin Annie 45th best wishes & love from Mureil & Raymond 1915**

DATE	YEAR	NAME						
7-May		Armour Charles	10-Sep	Ferguson R S	27May	1844	Hews Mr	
14Feb	1879	Armour Fanny	28-Jun	Forman F	6-May	1845	Hews Mrs	
11-Jun	1837	Armour Mrs	5-May	Foster Mrs	26-Oct	1901	Hews Myrtle	
28Aug		Armour S	7-Dec	Fox Glad	4-Aug	1882	Hews Rurh E	
24May		Baigent Vic	10Aug	Fox Tony	18-Jul	1912	Hews Vera	
13May		Baker Nellie	16-Jan	1882	Franks Frances	10-Jun	1909	Hews Willie
16-Feb		Barnes Edward	26-Jan	Fry Catherine	2-Jun		Hodges Fairy	
10-Oct		Barnes Francis	23-Feb	Fry Celia	5-Mar		Hume Mr	
22-Jan		Barnes Hettie	13Dec	Fry Cheryl	21Apr		Hume Mrs	
9-Feb		Barnes L W T	18-Oct	Fry Claire	21-Sep		Hunter Fred	
21May		Barnes Thomas	1-Nov	Fry Darryl	14-Jul		Hunter Gai	
2-Feb		Bayliss J G M	16-Jul	1927	Fry Edward	9-Jul	Hunter Jan	
10Aug		Berrick Joan	26-Jul	Fry Ethel	17Aug		Hunter Mrs	
22Apr	1880	Berry Florrie	1-Jul	Fry John	9-Apr	1881	Hyde Bridgy	
16Apr		Bills Lydia	14Mar	Fry Kelvin	25-Oct		Hyde Jessie	
8-Nov	1910	Bond Billie	25-Jan	1960	Fry Russell John	27-Sep	1884	Hyde Katie Ann
9-Oct		Brown Ada	14Dec	Fry Stan	14Nov	1894	Hyde Norman	
19-Sep		Byers Jack	18-Sep	1912	Fulton Edna	11-Oct		Ingram Ella
28Aug		Byers Mary	8-Nov	1910	Fulton Iris	7-Aug		Ingram Mrs
28-Sep		Byers Robert	9-Mar	1914	Fulton Max	21-Jul		Jeffery Bob
8-Oct		Campbell J	7-Sep	1883	Fulton Mr L	7-Jun		Jones Melissa
28Mar		Clayton May	24-Jul	1888	Fulton Mrs M	30-Jul		Jones Nellie
18Apr	1925	Cochrane Eddie H	24-Jan		Garrand Winnie	25Apr	1848	Jones T
13Dec	1899	Cochrane Ethel W	23-Jun		Garrard Edward	8-Oct		Kay Clyde
29May		Davison ? C	11-Jan		Gatter Annie	29-Sep	1905	Kay Roy W
9-Nov		Davison Andrew	7-May	1895	Gatter Douglas	26-Oct		Keenan Nellie
26Apr		Davison Archibald J	11-Feb	1867	Gattes Edward R	2-Apr		Krause Iris Ruth
23Aug		Davison Ernest	5-Jul		Gibson Ann	8-Aug		Krause J
24May		Davison Jonathan	12-Sep		Gillespy Fanny	5-Feb		Lea Ettie
20-Jul		Davison Mary Ann	6-Apr		Gleeson Michael	31-Jul		Lenehan Cora
14Dec	1888	Driver Amy	15Apr		Gleeson Mr	28Dec		Lewis ???
24-Feb	1900	Driver Artie	11-Jun		Gleeson Mrs	5-Jun		Lewis Amelia
15Dec	1902	Driver Bertie	5-Aug		Gleeson Paul	20Aug	1870	Lewis Annie
13-Sep	1890	Driver Dollie	21-Feb		Gleeson Philip	21-Oct		Lewis Annie M
30-Sep	1869	Driver F C	16-Oct		Gorman E ?	15-Jun		Lewis Edward
20Mar	1887	Driver George	30-Jun		Gorman L	16Mar	1888	Lewis Elsie Eleanor
11Dec	1894	Driver Ivy	11-Oct		Gorman Mr J	18May	1862	Lewis Emanuel
21Apr	1867	Driver Mr G	26-Feb	1885	Green Annie	23Aug	1886	Lewis Ernest
8-Sep	1906	Driver Ray	17Aug	1890	Green Arthur	8-Jul	1867	Lewis Frances
9-Dec	1892	Driver Walter	10May	1897	Green Bertie	4-Feb		Lewis Leslie Ross
5-Mar		Edwards Doris	7-Dec	1888	Green Charles C	4-Mar	1861	Lewis Linda
11-Jan	1887	Edwards Harold	31Aug	1894	Green Harriett	25Apr	1847	Lewis M A
11Aug		Edwards Mary	1-Nov	1883	Green Harry	24May		Lewis May
13Nov	1913	Edwards Muriel	7-Apr	1860	Green Mrs H	25-Jun		Lewis Muriel Jean
6-Nov	1850	Emery Mary	15-Jun	1858	Griffiths Mrs J	27-Sep		Lewis Raymound William
7-Feb		Ferguson C W	6-Jun		Guile Mr	4-Jul	1889	Lewis Reginald
19-Sep		Ferguson D K	26Apr		Hall Eileen	28-Jul		Lewis Thalma May
28-Oct		Ferguson Edith	25Aug		Healey Les	18Dec	1894	Lewis Walter

8-Dec	1891	Lewis Walter W	30-Jun		Seabrook W T	11-Jan	1899	Tobin Mary E
29-Jan	1864	Lewis William	27-Oct	1898	Sharwood Joseph	29-Jun	1876	Tobin Mary J
16-Jun		Long Pat	11-Sep		Shirlaw P	24May		Tobin Maunce
14-Jun		May Marion	29Mar		Slade Blanch	23-Sep		Tobin Michael
20Nov		McAskill W D	20Dec		Slade James	21-Sep	1897	Tobin N E
31Dec		McClusky Ruby	27-Jul		Slade James Thomas	16-Oct		Tobin Nellie
6-Feb		McCudden J	20Apr		Stapley B	13-Sep	1949	Tobin Nola
20Aug		McKinnon Ewen (Snr)	16Nov		Stapley Constance	11-Sep	1860	Tobin P
13-Jun		McKinnon G B	6-Feb		Stapley L	8-Jun		Tobin Reginald
16Aug		McKinnon M J C	24-Jun		Stapley Shirley	26-Sep	1870	Tobin Samuel
20Apr		McKinnon Mrs J	24-Jul		Stapley Wal	24-Oct	1869	Tobin Thomas J
24May		McLean Mrs L J	13Nov		Sullivan I	11-Oct		Tobin Tommy
1-Sep		McLeod Malcom	22-Feb		Sullivan Paddy	7-Feb		Tobin Vince
3-Mar	1900	McYee Clare	7-Mar	1849	Taylor Annie	25-Oct	1897	Varagnolo Eugene
10Dec		Mellor Thirya	26-Jan	1881	Taylor Elsie	12-Apr	1879	Waterhouse Gertie
26Dec		Moore Mary	14Nov		Taylor Susan	8-Aug	1869	Waterhouse W
29-Jul	1895	Morgan Artie	11-Jun		Thompson Daph	30Apr		Weaver Mr
21-Jun		Morgan Ettie L	3-Sep		Thompson Francis	8-Mar		Willie Sylvia
10Aug		Morris K	29-Oct		Thompson Frank Jr	24May		Wilson John
29-Sep		Morris M	15-Jul		Thompson Jean M	2-May		Wilson William
25-Feb		Morrison Maude	5-Oct	1882	Tobin A M	16May		Wood Mrs
24-Oct		Mortimer Joan	21-Feb	1899	Tobin Alice	20-Jan		Wood Roy
31-Jul		Murphy Alice M J	24-Sep	1900	Tobin Alma			
19-Jun		Murphy Frances M	17-Feb	1904	Tobin Andy			
3-May		Neal Mr	2-May	1900	Tobin Annie			
29-Jul		Nicholsen Glad	13Nov		Tobin Annie G			
20-Sep		Nicholsen Joe	25Nov	1903	Tobin Athol			
15May		Nicholsen Mrs	3-Feb		Tobin B F			
8-Oct		Noonan Jennie	21Apr	1874	Tobin Charles E			
24-Jan		O'Hare Nary H A	6-Mar		Tobin D			
14-Sep		O'Malley Michelle	17-Jul	1910	Tobin Denis			
24Apr	1910	Parle Edna	25Aug		Tobin E			
4-Aug	1914	Parle Geoffery	30-Oct		Tobin Edna			
29-Jan		Parle Jean	12Nov	1903	Tobin Ellen			
2-Aug		Patterson Jim	30Mar	1905	Tobin Elma			
2-Jul		Phillips Alice M	5-Feb		Tobin Esther H M			
27-Jun	1886	Phillips Annie I	15-Sep	1875	Tobin F B			
3-Jun	1883	Phillips Cecil A	2-Jul	1901	Tobin Frank			
17Mar		Ramplng Mrs	1-Apr	1877	Tobin Frederick			
4-Apr		Rex A	1-Sep		Tobin Harriett			
27-Jan		Ripp Edie M L	25-Jul	1862	Tobin James			
25Nov		Ripp Ethel D	22Mar	1902	Tobin James J			
19Dec		Ripp Harry J	27Nov	1914	Tobin James Spencer			
13Aug		Ripp Harry James	13-Feb	1910	Tobin Jessie			
26-Jun		Ripp Margaret I	28-Jan	1866	Tobin Jessie H			
8-Nov	1884	Rourke Bert	17-Feb	1907	Tobin Joe			
25-Sep	1890	Rourke Lydia	9-Aug	1866	Tobin John			
28Aug	1855	Rourke Mary	2-Aug	1897	Tobin John J			
20-Sep		Russell Kathleen	4-Nov	1908	Tobin L F			
26-Jan		Schofield A	7-Nov	1905	Tobin Lou			
15Mar	1900	Schofield Agness	12-Sep	1920	Tobin M D			
22Mar		Schofield N	26Aug	1903	Tobin Margaret			
11-Oct		Scofield J	22Mar	1857	Tobin Martha			
31Dec		Seabrook Ella	7-May		Tobin Martyn			
10Apr		Seabrook M	28-Jan		Tobin Mary			
21-Jun	1899	Seabrook W D	5-Apr		Tobin Mary Annie			

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