

Pensioner Barracks & Parade, 1860s (W.A. Museum)

ENROLLED PENSIONER GUARDS

a Special Interest Group of the Western Australian Genealogical Society Inc. Unit 6/48 May St, Bayswater 6053

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SEASON'S GREETINGS TO ALL



For those of our members who have access to the internet, there is a website devoted to the convicts who came out to this colony. The Enrolled Pensioner Guards has recently been added to this website. This website states that the Enrolled Pensioners 'accompanied' the convicts on their voyages to the Colony of Western Australia. They may have been on the same ships, but they were definitely not "in the same boat".

Our ancestors, the Enrolled Pensioner Force were mostly honourable men, who had served Queen and country, and had been **selected** from the many applying, to **guard** the convicts en route to the Colony of Western Australia, with the promise of opportunity for their families, which they could never achieve in Britain.

This website:-http://carmen.murdoch.edu.au/community/dps/convicts/pen-wa.html will allow you to check a ship's complement, or name an Enrolled Pensioner Guard and identify the ship, where this information is available. We understand that a "chat" line has recently been added.

This information is also available to you in Broomhall's book, "The Veterans", on shipping lists and records in Battye and WAGS libraries and local history groups.

The majority of our Special Interest Group are quite determined to recognise these men and their families for the **choices they made** for a better life for their families, to understand their mistakes and problems, and to know about their **Military** experiences, their own and their wives' origins, and to recognise their achievements. By sharing our knowledge and research, we will do this.

This does not mean to denigrate the convicts who came to W.A. and other parts of Australia, and in many cases there were intermarriages with members of the convict group.

We dont believe that these two groups should be joined as a "common research and interest group", though they shared a passage in time. Let us put a different perspective on this group of men and their families.

Convenor Lawrence Doran 94782962 Deputy Convenor Phillippa Ward 9276 7305

One or both of us will be at WAGS from noon until 2 p m most Thursday

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MEETING TIMES FOR 2001

Sunday 25th February 12noon Unit 5/6 WAGS, 48 May St., Bayswater (We have chosen this time to allow us to use WAGS Library, and it is air-conditioned)

Saturday 21st April 12 noon Unit 4 WAGS.

Saturday 28th July 12noon Unit 4 WAGS

Saturday 12th November 12noon Unit 4 WAGS

October 22nd Meeting in Unit 4, WAGS

We continue to have an excellent attendance rate and participation by members.

The meeting voted to celebrate the anniversary of the arrival of the Scindian again on the 1st of June in 2001. A number of people have volunteered to organise the event, and we have written to the museum for permission to use the venue. They will respond following their next board meeting.

- * We acknowledged the anniversary of the arrival of the second convict ship to W.A. the Hashemy, which arrived on the 24th October 1850.
- * Terry Carroll and Cec Florey have offered to advise and assist us to put the information we are gathering, on to CD Rom
- * Jean McDonald spoke about how her ancestor Robert Helliwell had been defrauded, along with many other EPG, by Colonel Foss, and she has since donated a copy of the report of the Court Martial.
- * The "Can You Help" session covered various subjects. Robert Brittain is having difficulties tracing the Military records of his EPG, Ash, Jordan, and William Connor, through the LDS. He isopen to suggestions, as his next step appears to be engaging a professional researcher.
- * A new member of our Spec. Int. Group, Derrick Prall spoke about the construction of the convict ships in general, their rigging determining what they were called. He spoke about the camouflage on the ships to deter pirates. The ships were not armed, however, they did carry one cannon loaded with grapeshot. His information included the origins of the ships. It was a very brief talk covering timbers used, and other technical data. He explained that the usual number of EPG on each convict ship would have been thirty plus a sergeant. This was to allow three watches on board ship. He had a small display of regimental badges, which included the hat badge of the EPG, the badge of the Royal Artillary, and the Sappers Badge. The accompanying drawing is by Derrick of the actual size of the Hat Badge of the E.P.G. Derrick has offered to speak at future meetings about his research.
- * Trish Bylsma had informed us of the location of the EPG Firing Range on the concourse in front of the restaurant in Kings Park. Derrick confirmed this, and said that the men would fire out towards the river. He also said that the EPG had had two cannons in Kings Park, but they have been missing for many years. If anyone knows of their whereabouts we would be happy to know. We are very interested in following this up.

See articles by Trish and Derrick in this newsletter.



Replica of EPG Badge

Lawrence is making enquiries about costs involved in replicating the badge as a lapel badge /brooch for members of our Special Interest Group and descendants of the EP Force. This information should be available by our next meeting.

We have had confirmation that this badge was used wherever the Enrolled Pensioner Force were, and was not restricted to Western Australia.

ENROLLED PENSIONER GUARD INTEREST LIST

SURNAME	EIRST NAME/S	REGIMENT	SHIP	EPG/ PensionerWarder
Adlam	James		Clara 1	EPG
Ahern	Michael		York	EPG
Ainsworth	William		Minden	EPG
Anderson	Francis		Merchantman 2	EPG
Annear	Samuel		Scindian	EPG
Arbuckle	John		Clyde	EPG
Armitage	William		Sea Park	EPG
Ash	Abraham		Hougoumont	EPG
Ashworth	Edmund		Java	Pen sioner
Atkinson	John		Scindian	EPG
Atkinson	Robert		Belgravia	EPG
Attwood	Edwin		Racehorse	EPG
Bagg	George		Scindian	EPG
Bagley	Patrick		Merchantman 1	EPG
Baker	Robert		Scindian	EPG
Baker	Phillip		Isabella	Pen sioner
Bandy	Thomas		Hashemy	EPG
Barrett	Edward		Lord Dalhousie	EPG
Barrett	Richard		Belgravia	EPG
Barry	Michael		Vimeria	EPG
Bartlett	George		Palestine?	Warder
Batley	Richard		Clyde	EPG
Beardman	William	51st	Runnymede	EPG
Betts	William		Runnymede 2	EP G
Bishop	Thomas		Lord Dalhousie	EP G
Blight	William		Vimeria	EPG
Brennan	John?			
Brennan	Michael		Racehorse	EPG
Brennan	Patrick		Hashemy -	EP G
Brindley	Henry		York	EPG
Brown	Michael		Naval Brigade	EPG
Bull	Edward		Palmerston	W arder
Bunter	Luke	RM		EPG
Butler	Thomas		Corona	EPG
Butler	Thomas		Lord Dalhousie	EPG
Cable	Joseph		William Hammond	EPG
Campbell	John		Minden	EPG
Campbell	Kenneth		Minden	EPG
Campbell	William		Minden	EPG
Caple	William		Hashemy	EPG
Carr	William		Palmeston	EPG
Carroll	Michael		Pyrenees 1	EPG
Carroll	Patrick		Hashemy	EP G
Carson	James	RM		EPG
Clancy	Peter		Clara 1	EPG
Clark	Charles		Scindian	EPG
Clark	Ge org e		Scindian	EPG
Clinton	James		Clyde	EPG
Coffin	William		Norwood 2	EPG
Connors	James		Hashemy	EPG

MRS. BRUCE

Wife of Colonel John Bruce, Commandant and champion of the EPG in Western Australia. From "The Military Ladies of Western Australia" by Miss Katherine E.Shenton

The following particulars concerning Mrs. Bruce are taken from notes by Miss Dorothea Lefroy, one of her grand-daughters:-

Johanna Jacoba Bruce, nee Herklots, was the daughter of a judge in the Dutch Colony of Chinserra in India in 1808. She could just remember the Battle of Waterloo (presumably from reports), and always claimed that " at home at Mamma's " in Chinserra, they had eleven curries every day. She also claimed to have 14 suitors who called every day and were taken around her father's museum of curios. Each suitor had a separate hour. Apparently her administrative ability was developed early in life. Finally, at the age of 20, she married John Bruce, an officer in an English regiment quartered in India. Born and married in India she remained there without a break until the age of 39.

Then, in 1838, Captain Bruce took her and their three children to Ireland and left them there with his father, near Athlone, as he had been transferred to China. Her children remembered how she used to send them with food to put on the tables which the poor people had outside their cabins in the Irish Famine.

After some years she took her children to France, and, about 1852, Captain Bruce was given an appointment in Western Australia. He was in command of the soldiers sent to guard the convicts, so it was in a convict ship that his family came out.

In Perth the Bruces first lived at the east end of the building now called "The Cloisters", in St. George's terrace. Then they moved into the house on the left-hand of the old West Australian Bank. (Foy and Gibson then David Jones have since occupied the spot where both houses stood.) They lived there until the Colonels death in the seventies. Then Mrs. Bruce returned to England, living in London for some years with two of her daughters. When her daughter Emily married she left London for Stitford, where her son-in -law and daughter lived with her. She died there at the age of 96.

Mrs. Bruce was 30 years in India, 20 years in Australia, and the rest in England and Europe. She had a perilous adventure at the age of 90 when her attendant let her bath -chair run down a bank at the side of the road. It capsized and she was rendered unconscious for some time; but, in spite of that and of two black eyes, her first words on coming to were: "I hope I may have my beef tea at eleven as usual."

On her ninetieth birthday her daughter arranged for a large gathering of her remaining children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mrs. Bruce was a great letter writer. People and her past life were her chief amusements. She took a keen interest in the doings of her friends and neighbours and was well known for her kindness. She was very charitable and would give to all who asked her, and founded the first society in Western Australia called the Dorcas Society. She was an excellent needle-woman but no housekeeper. She was a very handsome woman, very fair and tall, dressed always very well, and liked good clothes. Her correspondence and friends and her charities seem to have been her occupations and amusements. As a pre-Victorian she did not play any games beyond those associated with her fourteen suitors - who were, also, apparently all the pets she ever had. Her ideas on religion were a perfect belief in the Bible and its teachings.

Perth was a tiny place in the days when she lived there and Mrs Bruce knew everyone from the Governor down to the working men and was a friend to all

Mrs. Bruce had three daughters, born in India, and they were all married in the first year they were in Perth. The members of her family were (1) Elizaabeth Charlotte, who married, first -Urban Vigors, a lawyer in Perth who died two years later. She went to England, and married Charles Leithley, who died in 1878, leaving her with two boys and two girls (2) Janie, who married Dr Galbraith, whose regiment was quartered here. She died shortly after the marriage. (3) Mary, who married Anthony O'Grady Lefroy, then private secretary to the Governor, afterwards Colonial Treasurer for 36 years She had five children and died on June 22, 1913 (4) Clarrie, not married, who died in England. (5) Emily Helen, who married the Reverend Walter Hiley, with whom Mrs. Bruce lived in Stitford. (6) Edward, born in France, who married a daughter of General Webster of the Indian Army. He was known as Ned until he went to school in England. It is after him that Nedlands is named, the property was left to him by his father, and the streets in Nedlands proper are called after members of the Bruce family. He was Colone of the 19th Bengal Lancers and died in England a few years after his mother. He had children. (7) Urban, who died in India as quite a young man, leaving one son. Mrs. Bruce had sixteen grandchildren.



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What about the Women?

In "The Veterans" Broomhall comments on the number of references to the plight of the wives and children of the Pensioners in Captain Bruce's correspondence. The wives of the Pensioners, especially those with children, were placed under enormous strain. Those Pensioners who were able to find work away from their army duties, were able to keep up a home, albeit a cottage at North Fremantle, York, Toodyay or Kojonup. The most unfortunate wives were those whose husbands succumbed to the temptations of drink, the lure of gold in the Eastern Colonies, or greener pastures elsewhere, and left their families destitute. Some Pensioners died of natural causes which was understandable when the age of the ex-soldiers and their circumstances was considered, but their wives were often left in dire circumstances.

Tom Stannage in his "People of Perth" cites cases of Pensioners' wives taking to prostitution in Perth to support themselves and family. Others joined groups of ticket-of-leave men, expirees and other members of the poor class in card games, brawling, drinking and singing their way to 'oblivion or the lock up'.

Jane Hunt was one Pensioner's sife whose plight was documented. In 1862 a Request for Assistance was received on her behalf by the Colonial Secretary's Office. Jane's husband had illtreated her and she moved in with another Pensioner, but both fell on hard times. She received temproary relief but was then to be admitted to the Poor House.

Mrs. McKiernan was the wife of Private John McKiernan previously of the 99th Regiment He left his wife in desperate circumstances and Captain Bruce requested Captain Finnerty to look into the matter. He reported that McKiernan was a quarrelsome, violent character who had sold good land and bought useless property which would never yield any benefit. Captain Bruce felt her case should be considered for "private benevolence and not public almsgiving' and he and his Major subscribed 1 pound to be followed by an appeal to Perth Pensioners for help on her behalf.

Another unfortunate was John Hyland's widow Eliza. Private Hyland late of the 37th Regiment came to Western Australia in 1863 on the "Dalhousie". In 1868 he married Eliza who had already been widowed from Pensioner Michael Toohey. Unfortunately for Eliza, her second husband John Hyland also died aged 55 in 1874 leaving his wife and young son to fend for themselves. Eliza applied to the government for assistance, but she eventually found work in Guildford. Jenny Carter in her "Bassendean: a Social History" relates an incident in Eliza's life which illustrated how desperate widows were to obtain and keep work. On one occasion Eliza and son John were on their way by ferry to her work when young John fell into the river and the ferryman, a convict named William, rescued him. Because Eliza could not afford to be late or take time off work, she was obliged to leave her wet child in the care of the ferryman and carry on to work, collecting John on her way back later that day. Her concern for the safety of her child was unbearable. The threat of the Poor House loomed large over the lives of disadvantaged women.

In the case of Nora Fitzgerald, her misfortune led her to the Fremantle Lunatic Asylum. Nora with her husband and son came to Western Australia on the "Pyrenees" in 1851. Private Fitzgerald was stationed in Perth where he served as a guard for the convicts engaged in construction work. In 1860 he was admitted to hospital suffering from cancer. His wife and five children were sent to the Workhouse After 5 months, due no doubt to the stress of having a terminally ill husband, no incoming money and with 5 children with no means of supporting them, Nora was recommended for removal to Fremantle Lunatic Asylum because the Medical Board were concerned for her safety, After 2 years in the Asylum, Nora did return to the Workhouse for convalescence where she was found to be 'very useful in attending to children at the Home' No mention of whether that included her own 5 children! The ultimate fate of 34 year old Nora is not known

There appears to have been a certain hostility of polite society towards Pensioners' wives Pensioners' widows were inclined to remain among their own kind and were more likely to remarry single or widowed guards. Most of the official documents available with any reference to the women and children of the Pensioner Guards is mostly contained in court records and medical references because it was more important at the time to record the deeds and progress of male pioneers, soldiers and government officials than the women who accompanied and supported them, often doing the same work as the men in the fields, in home gardens and even in the construction of new cottages. One case records the husband requiring his wife to don his working clothes while helping him outside - she was not to be seen as a visible working partner, only appearing as a wife, homemaker and mother to his children, dressed no doubt appropriately!

By Jean McDonald a descendant of Robert and Hannah Helliwell

KINGS PARK RIFLE RANGE FOR THE PENSIONER GUARDS.

From Trish Bylsma, a member of our Special Interest Group

I joined the Kings Park Guides a few years ago after seeing an ad in the paper. The reason was, as I lived in Nedlands and near the University and Kings Park in childhood, Kings Park was an extra playground for us and the love of the bush was instilled. I thought I would like to be a guide as I knew a lot of history, particularly after doing Family History and discovering my early great grandfather was a Pensioner Guard and had some involvement with Kings Park. The flat area from just past the wishing well to the north and to the south was a rifle range for the Pensioner Guards. When they were having rifle practice a loud ring was made to alert the people and to keep them out of the way. Their rifle aim was a mound near or close to the main concourse.

The Barracks archway is the last remaining part of their accommodation in that area.

The course is quite comprehensive and concentrates a lot on the history of the park, we also learn a lot about the aborigines and their uses of plants for food and shelter. Whilst doing this I saw the opportunity to be a volunteer worker in the Science Laboratory, as I love Science, which I have done doing tissue culture etc. also got my Masters in gardening. All this has been an extra advantage to my guiding. We take tourists for a variety of walks.

Heritage Walk: Takes them along the escarpment involving the history and some exotic plants.

Botanic Walk: This walk takes you through the gardens and the water garden, also the Acacia, Marri

and Tuart gardens.

Wildflower Trail: This walk takes you through the bushland and a variety of nature paths.

These walks are approx. 1hr - 1 1/2 hrs duration.

I would be pleased to take a group from our club for any of these walks.

Trish has had discussions with members of the Kings Park Board with reference to having a commemorative plaque for the Pensioner Guard Rifle Range put on the site. She reports that they will be discussing it at the next board meeting, and she thinks that when it is ready, it would be nice to have a little ceremony for it.

MEMBERS'SUBMISSIONS TO ASSIST YOU WITH YOUR RESEARCH.

HEIC Any soldier discharging to pension from the HEIC does NOT have a WO97/-. the HEIC soldiers receive a pension paid (but not automatically) from what is known as the Lord Clive Fund.

India was divided into three Presidencies - Bengal, Madras and Bombay, under the control of the HEIC and each had its own Army...Most of the HEIC EPG's who came to W.A. were from the Bengal Presidency.

(From Sue Baddeley U.K.)

References to members of EPG in the records at Battye and State Records office WA

Several members have contributed to this file which is now in WAGS library We particularly appreciate the time spent by Leanette Lee. It is still being added to, and well worth looking at Jeanette has high lighted the names for easy checking.

Pensioner Lands file. (WAGS)

Almost complete. Indexed alphabetically by name and Location. Gives references for you to find the application documents for individual EPG where they had land, either free or purchased. We are endeavouring to have maps of all locations in the same file.

South Perth

Cec Florey has submitted a copy of the portion of his book "The Peninsular City" which relates to the Pensioner Village at South Perth. Any information relating to the EPG who had land at South Perth, please refer to us and/or the South Perth Historical Society at 111 Mill Point Rd, South Perth

"The Army in Australia" by M.Austin is recommended reading by Michael Murrie-Jones, (Queensland) a Military researcher and collector with a particular interest in the accourrements and uniforms of these forces. He says "It is a general historical work, but is well written and does contain some good basic information about Enrolled Pensioners.

"Death in the 19th Century" by Marg Smith -History of Fremantle Cemetaries 1829 -1899

"The Convict Ships and England's Exiles", by Colin Arnet Browning, 5th Edi. Hamilton Adams London1851. (Recommended by Robert Brittain)

Hashemy

The Hashemy was the second convict ship carrying Pensioner Guards to arrive in Western Australia. The following data is submitted by Derrick I. Prall.

"HASHEMY"

Sailing Vessel:

Built:

1817. Howra, Calcutta, Bengal (India)

Tonnage:

479 (523)

Hull:

Early Frigate

Material :

Teak

Figure-Head

Male - Bust

Galleries:

2

Masts:

Rig: Decks 3

Ship

2

(1846 changed to Barque)

(Main deck and Prison Deck)

(There are of course, also the Upper deck and Hold)

Length:

124.3ft.

Beam:

50,6ft.

Draught:

15.0ft (2 1/2 fathoms)

ENROLLED PENSIONER FORCE (DETACHMENT No. 2).

Ex. Tilbury Fort, Embarked Gravesend

49

12-7-1850

Commandant

Captain

Rank and File

BRUCE, John

Guard Commander

Childrem

Serjeant Major

Brown., Thomas

Guards

Serjeant

1

30

Wives 24

(E.P.F. named:

HAYDEN Louisa

Born at sea

COSTELLO Margaret

Died at sea

CAMPBELL Christine

H U

CARROLL William

. .

PRISONERS

ex Portland Prisoners 22-7-1850

100

Surgeon -Superintendent

Master

Dr. William T. Bowler RN

IVIASICI

Capt. John Ross

Religious Instructor

Rev. Matthew Fletcher C of E

Crew

41

Voyage: Sailed

23-7-1850 25.10 1850

Anchored Debarked

26-10-1950

Submitted by Jean McDonald

At our EPG Group meeting on 22 October 2000, I spoke about my ancestor, Robert Helliwell losing more than 50 pounds to the misappropriation of monies by his superior officer Captain Vaughan Foss, who had arrived on the "William Jardine" in 1852. He held office as Assistant to Captain John Bruce and Staff Officer-in-charge of Pensioners.

Mr. Wallace Bickley, a prominent Fremantle Merchant brought a case against Captain Foss for money owing and Captain Foss was brought before a Court Martial, with Private Helliwell (Holywell) being called to give evidence at the Court. Captain Foss was subsequently discharged from the Army and left the Colony in disgrace.

There were other members of the Pensioner Force who lost their savings to the dishonesty and foolhardiness of Captain Foss, including John Murphy, John Henthorn, Hugh McCann, John Denman, Patrick Kilmurray, William Whitehouse. The Pensioners recorded as having also lost money who arrived with Robert Helliwell on the "William Hammond" in April 1856 included Corporal Donovan, Henry Portlock, Robert Sly and Stephen Hogan.

As a follow up to the comments made by Mr. Bickley and other witnesses, it is interesting to note in Broomhall's "The Veterans" that Captain Bruce, Commanding Officer of the Pensioner Force was moved to offer words of support for his Assistant Officer Captain Foss, saying that perhaps Mr. Wallace Bickley was offended by having put his faith in a British Officer and having been duped, whereas Mr. Bickley may have perhaps contributed in some way by his own 'imprudent pursuit of gain'. There are other instances of Captain Bruce supporting and standing up for his men, officers and enlisted men alike.

It appears that Captain Foss left the Colony and was reported to have died in New South Wales. Descendants of his were believed to have equitted themselves with honour and distinction while serving in the Great War. Three brothers served in the AIF, one receiving the Military Cross and another being mentioned in despatches. All three served their country gallantly and ultimately lost their lives on the Western Front. Author Broomhall mentioned he had contact with Foss relatives and he had in his possession a letter from Miss. N. foss. It would seem Captain Foss had more than his Commanding Officer to stand up for him.

In the case of Wallace Bickley, he eventually served as a Member of the Legislative Council for Fremantle for years 1872-1876. He was a successful business man representing Lloyds and various shipping firms along with his other many business interests. A suburb in the hills of Perth still bears his name.

Sources:

"The Veterans" by F.H. Broomhall, Hesperian Press 1989 CO/18/98 July 1856

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EVERYONE HAS A STORY TO TELL.........Please share with us a story about your EPG and his family. There will be someone else who had an ancestor that shared that time and place. The resources that you used in your research may help someone else. ALTERNATIVELY, HOW CAN WE HELP YOU TO LEARN MORE ABOUT YOUR EPG?

MAPS: If any member has a map of the Pensioner Village where their EPG had his land, and would like to share it with us we would appreciate it. We have copies of North Fremantle, Guildford, Kojonup We would also like to build up a 'display' to put up wherever we as a group meet for reunions etc., and would like copies of photoes of guards and their families and houses, and any memorabilia which can demonstrate the lives our Pensioner Guard families lived.



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Convenors' Report:

Our next meeting will be our Annual General Meeting. We hope for a good attendance, and ask for nominations for the following positions:

Convenor Lawrence Doran for re-election
Treasurer Lawrence Doran for re-election

Deputy Convenor Currently held by Phillippa Ward vacant
Secretary " " " wacant
Newsletter Production/Editor " " " wacant
Research Currently done by Jeannette Lee and Phillippa

Social Events organiser Currently not filled.

Phillippa wishes to step down from either the 'Deputy/Secretary', or the 'Newsletter Production/Editor' position (recognising of course that there may well be successful nominations for both)

Positions can only be filled by financial members of WAGS .

Celebration of the EPG at Claremont Museum on 1st June, from 1-4 p.m. Members of the Committee planning this event will be present to update us with progress. We have included a 'flyer' with this newsletter for members to pin up at your local library or other appropriate place to spread the word about the event.

EPG Membership Badge. We will by the time of the meeting, have a number of badges for sale. This badge will be exclusively for Direct Descendants of the Enrolled Pensioner Force, and to enable us to keep it as such, we will be asking members of our Special Interest Group to fill in an 'Application', and attach a copy of their family tree to prove their lineage. The cost of the badge will be \$10, with a further \$2 for postage, if to be sent. An application form for the badge is also included in the newsletter.

MEETING TIMES FOR YEAR 2001

Saturday 21st April 12noon Unit 4 WAGS Saturday 28th July 12noon Unit 4 WAGS Saturday 3rd Nov 12noon Unit 4WAGS

Please note corrected Nov. date.(Ed)

Convenor Lawrence Doran 9478 2962 Deputy Convenor Phillippa Ward 9276 7305 One or both of us will be at WAGS from noon to 2 p.m. most Thursdays

WANTED Secondhand copy of the book "The Veterans" by F.H. Broomhall please ring 9459 3280

^{*}Please send nominations to 'The Convenor of the EPG' as soon as possible.*

February 25th Meeting in unit 5/6, WAGS

This meeting was dedicated to the ships arriving in January and February during the 16 years of Transportation to the Colony of W.A. They are the Hougoumont (9th January 1868), the Lincelles (29th January 1862), the Dudbrook (2nd February 1853), the Palmerston (11th February 1861), and the Merchantman1 (14th February 1863).

Lawrence first dealt with the issue of WAGS membership now being necessary to attend meetings held on WAGS premises. Explained to non members that we were having the meeting in the library to highlight the benefits of joining WAGS, and Lawrence encouraged them to do so.

General discussion about affiliated societies and reciprocal arrangements with National Trust and ? Historical Societies. Clarified that Historical Society members and WAGS do not as this stage have a reciprocal arrangement.

The Newsletter is available to all who pay the \$10 a year subscription, not only WAGS members. This is the last newsletter to be sent on last years subscription. The next subscription takes you through to March 31st 2002, and is now due.

The proposed badge was discussed. It is as shown: Actual size, with the scroll beneath having a dark Blue background to highlight the gold lettering.

The kings Park Rifle Range. Trish Bylsma reported that the board was receptive, but that things move very slowly.



Guest Speaker- Ray Hartnett/ Convenor of Irish Group

Ray has a Pensioner Guard named Patrick Carroll, who was in the Hon. East India Company. His advice:

- Using a researcher is cheaper than going to London. However, do your homework first, and be careful to stipulate what it is that you want your researcher to find for you.
- Civil Registration Records started in Ireland in 1864
- Church of England Registration Records from 1854
- **REGISTRAR IN DUBLIN** only gives records to the Church of Latter Day Saints.
- Each County has a Heritage Centre and used unemployed people to research records. You have to pay to get records out of Ireland, and need mother's maiden name. (Parish records have been indexed).
- Where to look in WAGS:

Mormons IGI (fiche)

Irish Index

(in WAGS)

"Irish Roots"... Magazine in WAGS, published in Ireland

"Blarnev"

Victorian Irish Group

G.R.D....

Genealogical Research Directory

CDROM....

Griffiths Primary Valuation

CDROM....

Greenham's Record Finder

Members of the Claremont Museum /Organising Committee were introduced to the meeting:

Cec Florey **Barry Green** Jack Herbert **Ron Sutton** Peggy Whitewood.

Please assist where you can.

We have received correspondence from a number of Historical Society Branches which are relevant to our research. We are very greatful for their information, and intend this to be reciprocal. We intend to feature these sites in future newsletters.

OBITUARY NOTICE

COLIN PATRICK MINORGAN (26.6.1920 – 4.12, 2000)

Colin joined our *Special Interest Group* at the outset in February 2000, as a very proud descendant of Enrolled Pensioner Guard **Thomas Minorgan**. He gave us much encouragement and was the source of much early information which helped us to develop a Resource File for researchers. The family donated a very concise history of this family to have on file at WAGS.

Colin died on the 4th December last year, and a Eulogy was held on the 8th December at his 'Happy Valley' at Jarrahdale. He leaves 3 sons and 2 daughters. The name Minorgan lives on. His family is also proud of him. His sister Brenda Bell is still a member of this group having joined along with Colin

Early years were spent at the family home in North Perth where he attended Highgate State School. His father died young and Colin grew up during the depression. He was apprenticed to the State Electricity Commission and worked there until war broke out. He and his brother joined the Australian Navy, the brother was killed in action on the 'Hobart', and Colin spent four and and a half years in the Navy on minesweepers. Following the war, he married, and in 1958 bought his property at Jarrahdale, which he thought to be a 'little bit of heaven' and a special place for the family he leaves behind. After the war, he returned to the SEC, rising to be an Inspector, and retiring at the age of 60. I'm sure that at this time he would like us to also remember his ancestor Thomas Minorgan of whom he was so proud.

THOMAS MINORGAN was born in County Carlow, Dublin, in 1832, and was educated at Trinity College, Dublin. At the age of 22 years he enlisted with his brother Robert John for duty in the Crimea War. His regiment was the 24th Foot.

He served in the battles of Alma, Sebastopol and Inkerman, earning decorations of 'Crimea Medal with three bars' and the 'Turkish Medal'. His rank at the time, was 'Sergeant'. After the withdrawal of the British Army from the Crimea, he was stationed for some time at Gibraltar –with him was his first wife (name unknown) and his small son, Robert John.

It is not known when he left Gibraltar, but reports are that in June 1862 he arrived in Western Australia with his family aboard the 'Norwood' which was carrying convicts for the Swan River Colony, neither is it known how long he stayed in the Colony in this first venture. His wife was in poor health and homesick, and they returned to Ireland where she eventually died. He later married again – to Catherine Flynn of Dublin, and in 1872 he set sail again for Western Australia, this time with his wife and two sons, Robert John and Thomas. He enrolled with the Pensioner Force, his duties being that of Staff Sergeant at Perth Barracks, Inspector of Pensioner cottages, and later became Imperial Paymaster for the Pensioner Force in the Colony. He was promoted to Colour Sergeant and received the 'Meritorious Medal' during his duties in Western Australia. He received a grant of land known as 21 John Street, West Perth, where he and his family lived for many years.

He died on the 1st December, 1911, aged 79 years, leaving his widow Catherine, four sons. Robert, Thomas, James, and Edward, and three daughters. Annie, Catherine and Alice. He was accorded a full military funeral – his burial taking place in the Anglican portion of the Karrakatta Cemetery.

The preceding passage has been taken from the notes which Colin donated to WAGS in recognition of his forebear Thomas

'Early Days', the Journal of the Royal W.A. Historical Society is an excellent source of historical information. Volumes are available at all (I would think) local libraries. Below are some extracts from many submitted by Daphne Byrne and Jean McDonald

Vol 1. Part 6 Page 51 1929 (The Diary of Alfred Hawes Stone)

His entry for Aug. 1852 mentions ships arriving from South Australia and the accounts from the diggings are very flattering and he goes on to mention there are reports that W.A. "is to have no more regular soldiers here after this lot go away, but plenty of **Pensioners**."

Vol 3 Part 4 Page 37. Dec.1942 The eastern Goldfields Early Explorers 1863-1866 By C.M. Harris ".....The roadmaking and well sinking party were under Mr. Turner, Officer in Command of four Soldier Pensioners and four probationers."

FORMER REGIMENTS OF THE ENROLLED PENSIONER FORCE

African Corp Army Medical Corps **Army Staff Corps** Canadian Rifles Coastal Brigade Corps of Armourer Serjeants Dragoon Guards 2,3,4,5,6,7, Dragoons 1,2,3,6,10,13,14,15,16,17, Dragoon/Huzzars 4,7,14,15,16,17,18,21, All the various HEIC regiments and HEIC artillery Falkland Island Corps Foot Guards 1,2,3 Life Guards 1 Newfoundland Corps Newfoundland Veteran Corps Royal Artillery (all) **Royal Engineers** Royal Horse Artillery Rifle Brigade **Royal Marines** Royal Sappers and Miners St. Helena Corps

1st Regiment of Foot to the 103rd Regiment of Foot.

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We hope to expand this list by providing names for all the Regiments.

A tribute to The Veterans

BALAKLAVA

Many a deed of faithful daring may obtain no record here, Wrought where none could see or note it, save the one Almighty Seer,

Many a deed, awhile remembered, out of memory needs must fall, Covered, as the years roll onward, by oblivion's creeping pall:

But there are which never, never, to oblivion can give room, Till in flame earth's records perish, till the thunder- peal of doom:

And of these, through all ages married to immortal fame, One is linked, and linked for ever, Balaklava, with thy name;

With thine armies three that wond'ring stood at gaze and held their breath, With thy fatal lists of honour, and thy tournament of death.

O our brothers that are sleeping, weary with your great day's strife, On that bleak Crimean headland, noble prodigals of life,

Eyes which ne'er beheld you living, these have dearly mourned you dead, All your squandered wealth of valour, all the lavish blood ye shed,

And in our eyes tears are springing; but we bid them back again; None shall say, to see us weeping, that we hold your offering vain;

That for nothing, in our sentence, did that holocaust arise, With a battle-field for altar, and with you for sacrifice.

Not for nought; to more than warriors armed as you for mortal fray, Unto each that in life's battle waits his Captain's word ye say --

"What by duty's voice is bidden, there where duty's star may guide, Thither follow, that accomplish, whatsoever else betide."

This ye taught; and this your lesson solemnly in blood ye sealed: Heroes, martyrs, are the harvest Balaklava's 'heights shall yield.

By R.C.Trench

(The battle of Balaklava took place during the Crimean War, October 25th 1854. It was signalized by the brilliant charges of the Light Brigade, under Cardigan, and the Heavy Brigade, under Scarlett)

Contributed by Lawrence Doran

Recommended reading The Army in Australia 1840 –1850

by M.Austin

Recommended by Michael Murrie-Jones, Queensland. "It is a general historical work, but well written and does contain some good basic information about Enrolled Pensioners (Alexander /1st floor/ 355 00994)

Return of Enrolled Pensioner Guards and their Families who landed in W.A. between 1st June 1850 and 9th January 1868

Da	te		Name	Strength	•	No of		
			of	of each	of	Children		
			Ship	Guard	Women	М.	F.	Reference
								Micro Reel
1	June	1850	Scindian	55	29	43	36	M/R909
								AJCP 3209
24	Oct.	1850	Hashemy	32	24	24	24	AJCP 3197
21	May	1851	Mermaid	29	23	20	19	AJCP711
	June	1851	Pyrenees (1)	30	25	20	21	AJCP3208
18	Oct.	1851	Minden	40	26	26	23	AJCP711
2	Aug	1852	Wm. Jardine	2 9	23	19	24	
	Feb	1853	Dudbrook	30	24	27	18	AJCP3192
	April	1853	Pyrenees (2)	30	24	22	18	AJCP3208
	Aug.	1853	Robt.Small	29	23	20	26	AJCP711
	Aug	1853	Phoebe Dunbar	30	20	21	22	AJCP711
	April	1854	Sea Park	30	23	21	22	M/R910
								AJCP711
14	Aug	1854	Ramillies	30	22	17	25	AJCP711
	May	1855	Stag	30	24	17	18	
18	July	1855	Adelaide	30	21	22	20	
	April	1856	Wni Hammond	29	20	25	15	AJCP3212
	Sept	1856	Runnymede	30	19	18	22	
	July	1857	Clara (1)	29	23	21	22	
	June	1858	Lord Raglan	30	21	11	18	AJCP3181
24	Nov.	1858	Edwin Fox	30	16	10	12	
	Aug	1859	Sultana	50	31	17	23	
	Feb	1861	Palmerston	30	20	30	19	M/R911
29	Jan.	1862	Lincelles	30	17	17	14	
9	June	1862	Norwood (1)	30	21	19	19	AJCP3181
	Dec.	1862	York	49	24	16	15	
	Feb.	1863	Merchantman(1)	50	35	26	28	AJCP3181
	May	1863	Clyde	50	35	34	31	AJCP3181
	Dec.	1863	Ld. Dalhousie	30	20	16	19	
	April	1864	Clara (2)	28	20	21	18	
	Sept	1864	Merchantman(2)		18	19	21	AJCP3181
	Aug	1865	Racehorse	50	31	38	40	M/R912
		1005	11		J. ,	50		AJCP3181
22	Dec	1865	Vimiera	30	23	22	15	BL Ship.List
	200	1005			23			AJCP3181
4	July	1866	Belgravia	30	23	21	22	BL Ship List
	Dec	1866	Corona	30	20	11	14	n Simp Eist
	200	1000	Corona	50	20			AJCP3181
13	July	1867	Norwood (2)	30	17	14	16	M/R3181
• -	,		(2)		• •	- •		AJCP3181
9	Jan	1868	Hougoumont	44	18	10	15	BL Ship List
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This schedule is copied from Broomhall's book, which states it is compiled from a list issued by Lt. Col. Bruce in 1868 which appears in Micro reel 1658, Co. 18/159, p. 168. Bruce's Return however lacks the day of the month on which each ship arrived, The dates given were extracted by Broomhall from Bruce's Returns to the War Office. The AJCP reel numbers have been added to the list.

NAME	FIRST NAME/S	REGT.	SHIP	EPG/PENS/WARDER
Cook	Henry		Hougoumont?	
Cook	Henry		Esmerelda?	Warder
Coomer	Matthew		Clara 1	EPG
Cooper	George		Adelaide	EPG
Costello	William		Racehorse	EPG
Coulston	Joh n W ood		Sophia	Pensioner/ EPG
Craggs	Benjamin		Sea Park	EPG
Cronan			William Jardine	e EPG
Cronin	Owe n		Hougoumont	EPG
Cross	John		Clara 1	EPG
Cunningham	James	11th	Norwood	EPG
Cunningham	James	31st	William Jardine	
Cunningham	James	51st	Runnymede 1	Pensioner/ EPG
Cunningham	James	60th	Merchantman 2	
Dalziell	John		Anna Robertso	
Davey	Henry		Scindian	EPG
Davey	Inomas		Hashemy	EPG
Davidson	Archibald		Clara 1	EPG
Davis -	John Law		Dudbrook	EPG
Day	John NASIII		Scindian	EPG
Deadman	William		Mermaid	EPG EPG
Dedman	William Michael		Mermaid Norwood 1	EPG
Delaney	John		Adelaide	EPG
Donegan Doran	Bryan		Merchantman 2	
Doran	James		Ramillies	EPG
Doran	Jose ph		Merchantman 2	
Doyle	Joh n		Racehorse	EPG
Dunne	Edward		Ramillies	EPG
Eccleston	William		Phoebe Dunba	
Efford	Samuel		Lord Dalhousie	EPG
Fallon	James		Clara 1	EPG
Fannon	Patrick Patrick		Vimiera	EPG
Feltham	James		Norwood 2	EPG
Finlay	William		Scindian	EPG
Fleming	William		Naval Brigade	EPG
Flynn	John	39th	Sea Park	EPG
Flynn	John	49th	Norwood 1	EPG
Fordham	Charles		Sea Park	EPG
Galbraith	William James	24-4	Merchantman 1	
Gallagher	John	31st	Merchantman 2	
Game	Charles	48th	Dudbrook	EPG
Gardinier Gaunt	Thomas William	40m 31st	Sultana Minden	EPG EPG
George	William Ralph	3130	Sea Park	EPG
Gilmore	Joseph		Clara 1	EPG
Gorman	James		Dudbrook	EPG
Hackett	Owen		Robert Small	EPG
Hale	John		Nile	Warder
Hall	Charles		Palestine	Warder
Hamilton	George		Adelaide	Warder
Hammond	Joh n			Pensioner
Hanny	James		Sophia ?	Pensioner
Hardman	James			
Hardman	William		Minden	EPG
Hayden	Jame s		Hashemy	EPG

SUBMITTED BY SUE BADDELEY (UK) Selected details from her Enrolled Pensioner database.

SEARCHING IN THE STATE RECORDS OFFICE/ ALEXANDER LIBRARY

We would like to share with our readers the type of correspondence that we are finding as we search through the films on the ground floor of the Alexander Library.

CSR 869/185 a letter, address Albany, dated 1877

Dear Sir, I most humbly beg to be allowed to occupy one of the quarters of the old Barracks now vacant and has been for many months.

I am a widow with four little children to provide for if you could grant me this earnest request it would be a great help for which I shall ever feel most thankful.

I shall remain Your Humble Servant

Mrs. Reddin

Notes made by various people on and about the above letter

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- * Mrs Reddin's husband was the Step-Son of Pensioner James Hanney- his own Father was also a Pensioner who arrived in the Colony in the Ship "Scindian" June 1850.

 Mrs. Reddin is also the daughter of X
 - X a Pensioner named Whitehouse who lived in Albany some years ago, She went to Adelaide with her husband Benj-Reddin (who had been employed in Pilot Boat) & then Reddin died—his brother Michael sent for the Widow intending I believe to support her and family, but just previous to her arrival here. He was drowned at Point Culver on the coast to the Eastward I believe.
- * Mrs. Reddin is a decent person (William Finlay /Sub Inspector of Police 31.1.77 (1877)
 To the resident Magistrate
- * Forwarded to the Hon the Commandant.
- * Albany 31.1.77

Forwarded to His Excellency the Governor - I believe the old Barracks alluded to to be on Suburban Lot E4 (western boundary running back towards Brunswick Road) which was transferred to the Colonial Govt. under authority from the office dated 15th Nov. 1864. Bruce's letter to the Honourable Colonial Secretary 17th January 1865. The keys of the old Barracks, I believe to be in Sgt. Tunney's possession, but I cannot say why. I don't want the Barracks (Signed) G.D. Harris S Commandant 5th Feb 1877

Rec.5/2/77

I am unable to decipher all the signatures, but this record has a value to a number of researchers apart from the Reddin family, and also for the general history of the area and time in the history of the Colony. I have highlighted the relevant names and locations. Searching through these records is a history lesson in itself, and we encourage members to use them in your search for details about your ancestors. We thank Jeanette Lee for uncovering this piece of history.

CSR 597 /122

Court House Fremantle 2.9.1867

To Hon. Colonial Secretary Perth John Baldwin, Pensioner is unable

John Baldwin, Pensioner is unable to support himself wife and 4 children. He is a shoemaker by trade but unable to procure work from the fact that the Master Shoemakers in this town prefer men boarding in their houses. It is also well known that most of the Master Shoemakers of this town have originally been of the 'Bond' class, and prefer workmen of their own stamp.

(Signed) Les Symmons Resident Magistrate.

(Is this the first 'Closed Shop')

W.A.G.S. LIBRARY



Pensioner Barrucks & Parade, 1860s

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Convenor's Report.

We have passed our first milestone and wish to acknowledge the support we have had from many sources within and outside WAGS. The First Annual Report is contained in the newsletter. At the Annual General Meeting on 21st April, the following Offices for the coming year were confirmed.

Convenor:

Lawrence Doran

(08) 9478 2962

Treasurer:

Lawrence Doran

Deputy Convenor:

Secretary:

Vacant Vacant:

Minutes Secretary:

Peggy Whitewood

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Newsletter Editor

Phillippa Ward

(08) 9276 7305

Phillippa Ward

for review Meeting 28th July

Committee

Daphne Byrne Terry Carroll Jeanette Lee

Jean McDonald

Margaret Hickey Phillippa Ward

Member Research

Daphne Byrne Apply through Convenor. This position for those outside

the metropolitan area.

Nominations for the vacant positions encouraged.

Claremont Celebration of the Enrolled Pensioner Force on 1st June

Despite the inclement weather (over which we had no control), the hardy descendants of our courageous old soldiers had a great day. The ladies who catered for us fed us in a manner unfamiliar to our ancestors. We thank Peggy Whitewood for her organisation and finesse.

Professor Geoffrey Bolton gave a short talk about where the Guards stood in society in their day, and a general introduction to researching your ancestors. Derrick Prall donated a limited edition copy of his manuscript "The Great Experiment" (more about this in a later issue). A contingent of the Volunteer Rifle Brigade, 4 men from the unit, gave a demonstration and history lesson about the Military in this Colony in the 1850-1880 period This demonstration was dedicated to Ann Denby, who was the second wife of William Gaunt, a Private in the 31st Regiment who arrived in the Minden in 1851

MEETING TIMES

Saturday 28th July Saturday 3rd Nov.

12noon Unit 4 WAGS 12noon Unit4 WAGS

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE E.P.G. SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP

27th January 2000 Our first meeting, held to gauge interest in forming the above special interest group, and to gather support from WAGS members to make an application to form the group under the WAGS unibrella. We identified our SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP from the following passage from F.H.Brroomhall's book 'The Veterans'.

'The Enrolled Pensioner Force consisted of soldiers who came out (to Western Australia) as guards on the convict ships, which between 1850 and 1868, transported almost 10,000 prisoners from the gaols of the United Kingdom to this Colony; many remained as settlers after their military duties were finished. They were soldiers who had served the previous 20 years in Britain's many wars, and who on discharge from the army, were awarded pensions for long service and good conduct, for wounds or for meritorious service."

The name for the Special Interest Group was chosen by members at the meeting to encompass those men who came out after the end of Transportation and the disbandment of the Enrolled Pensioner Force in 1880, the unit now being 'The Enrolled Guard.'

The meeting decided that the Pensioner Barracks was to be used as the symbol on our newsletter.

15th April 2000 First Official Meeting of the EPG Special Interest Group.

Aims of the group:-

- To develop a register of Research Interests the names of the Guards cross referenced with those researching.
- To encourage and enable those with common research interests to share information.
- To build a RESOURCE FILE as an aid to members' research.
- To bold Quarterly meetings.
- To find speakers relevant to our research
- To provide opportunities for social interaction.
- To add to the information in 'The Veterans' by F.H.Broomhall and create a file of Guards' profiles for perpetuity
- To provide a quarterly newsletter which addresses members' interests.

The above aims are being met, and work is continuing on building our knowledge and resources. An evaluation of information supplied by those registering with us has helped us identify the areas where most are seeking information, and we continue to address them. The priorities are Shipping and arrival dates, Regiments, the families' lives in WA, Military Records, and overwhelmingly the need to trace their Guard and wife back to their origins.

To the above list we can add that we have a group of members engaged in research for the group, and that information is being collated for the benefit of researchers, as is the information being sent in to us by the many doing their personal research.

- WAGS membership is now a requirement to attend meetings held on the premises. We
 have been given a great deal of consideration and help by the WAGS management in
 establishing this group, which included an extension of time for members of our group to
 attend meetings prior to applying for membership.
- Newsletter subscription is available to researchers who are not members of WAGS.
- We encourage anyone who is researching an Enrolled Pensioner Guard to Register their Research Interest with us. This will enable us to have a fuller picture of the men and families who came to WA. This can be done by contacting Phillippa on 9276 7305 / email: alphiward@bigpond.com
- BADGES exclusive to direct descendants of the Eurolled Pensioner Force are available whether or not you are a member of WAGS, providing you can prove your lineage. This application form which doubles as a Register Form can be sent by applying to Lawrence Doran 9478 2962, or enquiring through the Western Australian Genealogical Society.

21st April 2001 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Lawrence Doran who had been the Convenor and Treasurer for the first year produced an Income and Expenditure Statement. Year ending 31.3.2001

	CREDITS	DEBITS	BALANCE
NEWSLETTER SUBS	\$1,295.00		
DONATIONS	\$ 348.60		
EXPENDITURES			
POSTAGE		\$ 489.45	
REFRESHMENTS		\$ 64.50	
ADVERTISING VIC.		\$ 132.20	
STATIONARY		\$ 53.50	
RESEARCH PHOTOCOPYING		\$ 127.20	
REPLACEMENT INK CART.		\$ 44.52	
BOOK PURCHASES	•		
DAN JOO		\$ 55.00	
BASSENDEAN HISTORY OF		\$ 19.95	
REIMBURSEMENTS		\$ 10.00	
TOTAL CREDITS	\$1,643.60		
TOTAL DEBITS		\$ 996.32	
BALANCE TOTAL			\$ 647.28

WAR OFFICE EMBARKATION RETURNS

Ramilles -- Enrolled Pensioners 15th April 1854 -- Tilbury Fort

2 Serj.

2 Corps.

26 Privates

22 Women

29 Stands of Arms

30 Sets of Accourrements

30 Sets of Clothing

1800 Rounds of Ammunition

Submitted by Sue Baddeley U.K.

York and Kairey's Cottage. On a recent visit to York I 'discovered' Kairey's Cottage. This was the home of Enrolled Pensioner Guard John Kairey who was a Private in the 84th Regt. aged 43, and came to the Colony in 1851 on the Minden with his wife Catherine also aged 43 and daughter Mary Ann aged 8. The husband and wife were both on the 1859 Census of York. Lot 11 was granted to John Kairey. The current address of this cottage is '16 Newcastle Street, York' and it is run as a B&B by the current owners (not descendants), Faye Annikan and her husband. The email address: dalfades@vianet.net.au if you are interested in staying in this delightful 2 roomed, shingle roofed cottage. By visiting the Wesite, you can 'walk through' the rooms. The owners would be very interested in any information you might have on previous owners, The 'Wedgewood family's stay has been well documented.

Website: http://www.yorkwa.com.au/KaireyCottage/index.htm

NAME	FIRST NAME/S	REGIMENT	SHIP EPO	G/PENS/WARDER
Healy	Patrick		Clyde	EPG
Henderson	Richard		Vimiera	EPG
Herbert	Henry		Scindian	EPG
Holgate	Robert		Runnymede 2	EPG
Hollywell	Robert		William Hammond	
Hubble	John		Scindian	EPG
Hubble	William		Scindian	EPG
Hughes	Thomas		Corona	EPG
Janes	Robert	RM	Hougoumont	EPG
Jennings	Daniel		Adelaide	EPG
Johnston	William			
Jones	William		Belgravia	EPG
Joslin	David		Hougoumont	EPG
Kain	Bernard		Adelaide	EPG
Kelly	Thomas		Lincelles	EPG
Kennedy	Michael		Clara 2	EPG
Killgallon	Michael		Racehorse	EPG
Kirwan	John		Scindian	EPG
Latham	John		Phoebe Dunbar	EPG
Leighton	John		Runnymede 2	EPG
Lillis	Stephen		York	EPG
Litton	John		Belgravia	EPG
Mack	Michael		Corona	EPG
Mansbridge	William		Scindian	EPG
Martin	Daniel		Phoebe Dunbar	EPG
Martin	James		Sea Park	EPG
McCarthy	Timothy		Lord Raglan	EPG
McCormack	Timothy		Lord Raglan	EPG
McCreery	Thomas		Runnymede	EPG
McDonald	William	50th	Merchantman 1	EPG
McGinniss	Patrick		Edwin Fox	EPG
McGlade	P et er		Runnymede 1	Pensioner
McGlynn	Thomas		Phoebe Dunbar	EPG
McGovern	Patrick		Belgravia	EPG
McGuire	Edward			•
McIntyre	Daniel		Mermaid	EPG
МсКау	John	26th	Phoebe Dunbar	EPG
McKa y	John	96th	Merchantman 1	, EPG
McLoughlin	Thomas		Hougoumont	` EPG
McMeekhum	Alexander		Lord Dalhousie	EPG
McMullen	Thomas		Scindian	EPG
McNamara	James	84th	Sea Park	EPG
McNamara	John		Vimiera	EPG
McQuade	Peter		Robert Small	EPG
Meade	Thomas		Norwood 1	EPG
Mealia	Michael		York	EPG
Meekhums	James		Racehorse	EPG
Mellows	Joseph Thomas		Belgravia	EPG
Minorgan Munday	Thomas		Naval Brigade	EPG
Munday Navlor	William		Palmeston	EPG
Naylor Nicholls	Henry John		Norwood	EPG
Nicholls	John John		Runnymede 1	Pensioner
Noonan	Jonn William		Lincelle	EPG
Norrish	v viiii di i i		William Jardine	EPG
	lamos		Pyrenees William Jordina	EPG
O'Byrne	James		William Jardine	EPG

MARJORY'S STORY

Life as the wife of a soldier in the 19th Century involved a little more than being the homemaker in Army Barracks, caring for the babies which arrived at regular intervals, meeting the other Army wives to swap recipes and home remedies for sick children. Often it also involved travelling with her soldier husband to Army posts in exotic foreign lands where conditions were anything but temperate, in temperature or culture.

Marjory's story began in 1837 when she married WILLIAM FINLAY of the 97th Regiment (Earl of Ulsters). For ten years she accompanied him during his service overseas, including Ceylon, Corfu, Malta and other military postings. In 1847 they returned to England where Marjory looked

forward to being closer to her family and the green fields of England.

Not for long however, as William Finlay was accepted as an Enrolled Pensioner to guard the convicts being transported to Western Australia. They sailed on the "Scindian", the first convict ship to arrive in Fremantle in 1850. Their 3 children William, aged 10, Mary 6, and John 4, accompanied them. Conditions were far worse than expected as the Colony was not really prepared for their arrival.

It was sometime before Marjory could finally settle onto their own piece of land at Freshwater Bay. With 8 children now in the family her hopes were high for a stable future in a pleasant environment. Her joy was shortlived however because her husband was not born nor raised as a farmer or worker and he had difficulty in making the property productive. He was not alone in that problem, because some of the other Freshwater Bay Pensioners were similarly faced with the problem of transport for produce and distance from the main centres.

It did seem as though Finlay was 'making a go of it' having already been in the Colony for 10 years, but that was not to be. Not long after Marjory's latest baby Anne died in 1860, Finlay deserted his family and left the Colony, lured no doubt by the news of the goldfields springing up in the Eastern Colonies.

Marjory was devastated and at her wits end – no pension, no Government assistance, no income of her own, no family support system and seven mouths to feed. Another marriage was an option facing many women in the same situation when they knew that was one way of survival. It is possible Marjory was advised of an example where a husband could be presumed to be dead if he had travelled over the sea. As there was no other form of travel apart from the sea to other Colonies, and as no word was received about Finlay's whereabouts, Marjory was quite entitled to presume she was now a widow, her husband having died at sea.

Marjory was fortunate in being offered marriage by Robert Simpson, a leather worker, and she was pleased to accept, the wedding taking place in 1861. Life seemed to have finally settled into some sort of normality for Majory and her family increased with the birth of two more children, Robert and Alice Simpson. Her new husband had reasonably steady work and Marjory's own children were growing up and leaving home to find their own way in the world. One of her daughters had married and moved to South Australia.

In 1877 Marjory and Robert Simpson and three children left Albany on the 'Emily Smith' for Adelaide. Marjory was by now quite used to sea travel, having been on many voyages, first as the wife of a serving soldier and then as one of the first families of Pensioner Guards to arrive in Western Australdia, but this was to be a trip for Marjory's own pleasure to visit her daughter.

That voyage in 1877 was to be Marjory's last voyage.

The 'Emily Smith' sailed into a fierce storm as it neared South Australia and during a wild night the ship came to grief on the rugged North West corner of Kangaroo Island. There were only three survivors, all members of the crew. Marjory, Robert and their three children all perished.

It is ironic that some 25 years after William Finlay had presumably died and his wife remarried and 8 years after Marjory herself had perished at sea, Finlay again turned up in Western Australia.

Finlay alive and well while the one who had travelled the hard road with him through 23 years of survival in a soldier's world, Marjory was the one who was to die in such tragic circumstances.

Marjory's reward could be seen in the growth and success of her children who were left. Their recorded part in the development of the young Colony is testament to the valuable and lasting groundwork laid by their mother, Marjory.

Ailsa Dunne, Great granddaughter of Marjory Finlay.

WHAT ABOUT THE CHILDREN?

SUBMITTED BY JEAN McDONALD

Records in the Supreme Court of Western Australia provide a source for cases involving children either as witnesses or defendants. In "Childhood and Society in Western Australia" edited by Penelope Hetherington 1988, Phyllis Garrick has written an article titled "Children of the poor and industrious classes in Western Australia 1829-1880." In that article Garrick comments that those children who did appear in Court Records had fathers who were of the industrious classes such as shopkeepers, tradesmen, constables and ENROLLED PENSIONERS. It seemed the children of the privileged class were spared from having to appear in court.

Most children of the industrious class were involved in helping in the running of the household, be it farm, dairy, shop or trade or in the caring of the younger members of the family. This left little time for personal pleasure, although Garrick found that children of constables and ENROLLED PENSIONERS appeared to have had more leisure time than children working in a family business.

The children of those ENROLLED PENSIONERS whose wives sometimes from pure desperation turned to 'working the game' to survive were often neglected and dirty with little chance of education or encouragement to rise above their situation. In some cases the children of the women who worked in the established 'houses of ill repute' lived in the house with their mother (sometimes EPG widows) and were subjected to scenes not ever observed by the children of the privileged. It is even sadder to realize that girls in their teens were inducted into the 'game.

There were cases of ENROLLED PENSIONERS leaving their family after becoming disillusioned with life in the new colony. ANDREW GORMAN is recorded as having left his wife and children to fend for themselves. Fortunately he was traced to New South Wales and his pension was cut to provide support for his family.

We know of NORA FITZGERALD's children who were sent to the workhouse when Nora was under extreme stress due to her husband's terminal illness. Her five children were frightened and intimidated by her actions and when the authorities had grave doubts about her sanity and committed her to the Lunatic Asylum, her children were left without parents in a city where children of the under class were of little account. Society at the time did not always consider the ENROLLED PENSIONERS to be of a much higher class than the convicts they were employed to guard. No record of the children of Nora Fitzgerald has as yet been found.

HENRY WAREHAM of the 1st B.E. Reg. of Bombay Fusiliers was an ENROLLED PENSIONER who married the widow of another ENROLLED PENSIONER. It was not his children who suffered but his grandsons who were abandoned by their mother, the daughter of the ENROLLED PENSIONER. She left two boys aged about 8 and 10 at an orphanage. They were a little more fortunate than children of earliest PENSIONERS like the Fitzgerald children, because there was an official Orphanage in their time giving them a chance to survive and not live off the streets Wareham's grandsons fate is known as the records show their father removed them from the Orphanage and continued to care for them.

The case of MARY McGEE is a sad example of how children seemed to be merely chattels to be left to their own devices when the adults abrogated their parental duty. Mary was the daughter of JAMES McGEE (Joseph?) ENROLLED PENSIONER GUARD who arrived on the 'Clara' in 1864. At 11 years of age she was sent out to work as a servant girl in Fremantle, her father leaving for work in Pinjarra. Her employer had no further use for her and sent her on to work as a 'nurse girl' to the Police Constable's home. Constable Simmons complained he could do nothing with her and took her to the Magistrate's house in Fremantle. The Constable reported Mary had left the baby and other children in her care and run away. He described Mary as sulky and obstinate.

Mary, no more than a child herself, was removed to the Poor House while legal arguments ensued over the power of the Court to compel her father to remove his child and pay for the cost of her maintenance—one shilling per day.

PENSIONER McGEE'S refusal brought forward more legal argument to the effect that under the Local Ordinance G Vic No.2, because the child was over ten years of age and not 'poor and destitute and not able to work' the law could not compel McGEE to support his child. She was considered to be able bodied and capable of working but was 'idle and perhaps vicious'.

We are left wondering about little Mary's fate after the Colonial Secretary asked for some effort to be made to find her employment in private service, and for the Officer Commanding Troops to

PERTH POOR HOUSE REGULATIONS

Duties of Paupers.

All Paupers are to be employed from 9a.m. to noon; return to work at 10'clock, and continue at their work until 5 p.m. They will be employed under the direction of the orderly, and all who are able to work are to be kept occupied during working hours.

The Paupers are to be orderly and submissive in their behaviour, and to comply with every regulation of the Poor House.

Hours for meals: Diet, etc.

Breakfast to be at 7.30 a.m., Dinner at noon, and Supper at 5.30o'clock, p.m: half an hour for Breakfast and Tea, and one hour for Dinner Should any Pauper have complaint, it will be his duty respectfully to state the same to the Immigration Agent.

Diet

The diet, as far as practicable, to be in conformity to the subjoined Scale, as to the species and quantity of food.

ADULTS-MALE

Bread 18oz daily Meat _ 10oz daily	Breakfast.	(Tea 1 pint (Bread 9 oz
Potatoes 12oz "		
Rice 1 1/2oz "		(Meat 10 oz
Tea 1/8oz "	Dinner	(Potatoes 12oz
Sugar 1 ½ "		(Soup 1 pint
Milk 4oz "		(Tea 1 pint
Salt 60z weekly	Supper	(Bread 9oz
Soap 6oz "		

ADULTS-FEMALE

Adult Female rations were 20z less daily than Males for bread and meat, 80z potatoes, no rice, tea 1/4 oz, same sugar, 1/4 oz salt daily, and same quantity of soap. NO MILK.

CHILDREN

Children aged 6-10: Bread 10 oz, Meat 6 oz, Potatoes 8oz, Sugar 11/2 0z, Salt 1/4oz, Milk ½ Pint (all daily), and Soap 4 oz weekly.

Children 2-6 Bread 8 oz, Meat 4oz, Potatoes 6oz, Sugar 1 ½ oz, Milk ½ pint (all daily), Soap 4 oz weekly

GENERAL RULES.

SWEARING, indecent conversation, and gambling of every description is strictly prohibited.

PAUPERS willfully transgressing any of the Regulations of the Poor House render themselves liable to be dismissed forthwith.

NO VISITORS will be allowed access to the inmates without the consent of the Immigration Agent or Matron

MINISTERS of Religion may be allowed to visit paupers daily

PAUPERS admitted into the Poor House are to be taken on arrival to the bath-room, and made clean with soap and water, The hair to be cut, if necessary. They are then to be supplied with Regulation Clothing.

A TICKET, with name, date of reception, religion, and cause of admission of each pauper, is to be hung at the foot of each bed.

No Pauper to be allowed outside the Poor House without the consent of the Immigration Agent, Orderly, or, if in the Female Poor House, of the Matron.

A copy of the above Rules and Regulations shall be placed in a conspicuous part of each ward, for the information of the inmates.

By order Roger Tuckfd.. Goldsworthy, COLONIAL SECRETARY Perth, August 28th, 1877 CSR Vol 871 Folio 166 SR Office were all reasons that the decision was made to close the Depot. Nine convicts were living in the Depot at the time. The remaining Pensioner Guards were offered allotments on the Greenough Flats, and on Jan3rd 1857, Les Trois Ami sailed to Port Gregory to transfer the convicts and remaining Pensioner soldiers, guards and their families to Champion Bay.

Cemetery at Lynton

Situated near the Depot ruins, three graves are the only reminder that this was the cemetery for the townsite. The reported deaths at Lynton and Port Gregory were:

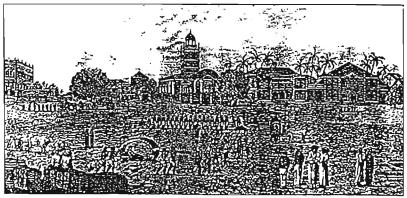
1854	Reported at the Depot; J. Hayes; M. Reddin, Pensioner Guard
	At. Port Gregory; JJ.Butcher, T.L.
1854	J. Henshaw, 11months, and
1855	Mary Jane, children of Sp. R. Henshaw, Pensioner Guard, who erected a tombstone in their memory.
1855	W.Drake, son of the Pilot at Port Gregory, died of convulsions and buried in the sandhills
1856	Farrell Cornelly; Pensioner Guard, at Lynton
1857	Samuel Doran (Dornan?), infant son of Frances and James, buried at Lynton Frances Doran (Dornan?), died after childbirth, wife of James Doran,
	Pensioner Guard
_	J. Duffy, C.P. drowned at Port Gregory
	G. Brown, Whaler, drowned at Port Gregory
1861	Headstone "Sacred Memory of (SARA?SAM), could be the daughter of
	Henry Sanford, or son of James Doran.

Lynton Heritage Site Restoration In 1992, the Lynton Heritage Site, consisting of Sanford's Homestead, The Convict Hiring Depot and land adjoining the sites, were vested in the Northampton Shire Council by R.W. and S.F. Simkin. The site had previously been classified by the National Trust of Australia and so the Northampton Historical Society began a Restoration Project.

Much of this article is derived from information provided by the Northampton Historical Society in the brochure prepared and written by S.Simkin, for the Society, the proceeds of sales going towards the restoration of the Lynton Historic Site.

HONOURABLE EAST INDIA COMPANY

The Honorable East India Company (HEIC) controlled British interests in India from the 17th century up until 1858. It maintained its own army, whose records are largely held by the British Library. Oriental and India Office Collections, 96 Euston Rd. London NW1 2DB. The National Army Museum, Hospital Bridge Rd. London SW3 4LT. holds Hodson's card index to Indian Army officers. Both the Public Record Office and the Society of Genealogists hold further published material which may be of use.



A view of Bombay Green in 1767, showing the East India Company's private troops on drilling exercises

PORT GREGORY

The first record of Port Gregory came from Commander D. Dring in 1841, of H M. Colonial Schooner 'Champion', who had been sent to the area to map the mouth of the Hutt River, previously discovered by George Grey. The commander made for the River entrance but found it impossible to enter, due to surf and shallow sand banks, so sailed North and found safe anchorage behind a reef, thus being the first colonial ship to enter Port Gregory. In 1847 surveyors J.S. Roe, Dr. Von Sommer, F.T.Gregory, C.Sholl and Mr. Simpson explored the area as the possible site for a harbour for the Geraldine Mine, to the north on the Murchison River. It was reported that on June 13th, 1847, the party explored the upper branches of the Hutt River, circled the Hutt Lagoon and noted good quality agricultural and pastoral land. Lieutenant Helpman, in December 1849, made further examination of the boat harbour to be used by the Mining Company to export the lead ore. Salt was also sent to Fremantle. The shipping of salt from the lagoon continued well into the 1930's

F H Broomhall's account of the transfer of Enrolled Pensioners to Port Gregory states the detachment as embarking on the coaster "William Pope" on the 26th April 1853. The detachment consisted of Corporal (later Sergeant) Reddin (61st Regt), and three men, three wives, and three children. This was followed three months later to eight men.

The usual land grants were made to the Pensioners and by 31st December 1853, nine three acre blocks had been allocated to the following:

M. Reddin, J. Buckley, J. Connolly, J. Hayes, J. Foran, J. Brown, J. Ward, J. Gallagher, R. Gladstone.

Sergeant Reddin was accidentially shot by a Corporal of the Royal Sappers and Miners on Monday 27th June 1853. Whether a result of the wounding it is not known, but many months later on 6th July 1854, aged 44, Michael Reddin died.

The men were located in tents over a large salt lake or estuary in a situation not conducive to good health, and it remained a sore point with the Pensioners that the delay in erecting housing was contrary to the promises made as an inducement to serve in this outpost. The accommodation provided for the Sappers and Miners at Port Gregory stirred Bruce to protest to the Governor that the Pensioners should be due equal consideration. They were still in the same situation in December of 1854, and Bruce on visiting them, took action and moved the Pensioner Village to Lynton townsite. However, their accommodation did not improve, and in late 1855 they were still living in tents, which prompted Bruce in 1856 to write to the Governor urging him to improve conditions or withdraw the families. They were exposed to the extremes of climate.

Late January 1858 the detachment was transferred in the *Le Trois Amis* to Champion Bay for eventual movement to the Greenough district.

Lynton was named after Henry Sanford 's home in Lynton near Devon, England. He had arrived in the Colony in November 1851, was posted to Toodyay in 1852 after being appointed Assistant Superintendant of Convicts by the Colonial Government, and built roads, bridges, churches, jails and dwellings in that district.

He arrived in Port Gregory in 1853 ready to settle on the land, with intentions to farm and 'open an export' (the lead from the Geraldine Mine).

Convict Hiring Depot

The actual date that the Convict Hiring Depot began is not definite, but a report to the Comptroller General of Convicts for the half year 1853, lists the Depot, 'Port Hiring Station nil, only just started Sixty men'.

On May 22nd 1853, a party of 60 men accompanied by Sergeant Reddin, a Pensioner Guard, were transported to Port Gregory on the 'Leander'. The men and gear were taken ashore in small boats, Bullockies had broken a rough track six miles down to the bend in the Hutt River where a townsite was to be set out. They lived in tents and set to work to quarry limestone from the surrounding hills to build the depot. As there was a shortage of timber and roofing materials, rush thatching was used to make the buildings habitable.

On April 28th, 1854, eight buildings were reported completed. Still to be built were the depot outhouses, hospital and lock-up. In 1855, the walls of the prison were completed and all were reported finished by June10th 1856. Due to much sickness and scurvy, because of the lack of fresh vegetables, Governor Kennedy sent the Colonial Secretary, the Acting Comptroller General and the Principal Medical Officer on a tour of inspection to the district. Costs of food, transport and shortage of water

EAST PERTH CEMETERIES

Enrolled Pensioner Guards/ Warders, and or their Families Listed in the East Perth Cemeteries

Researched by Daphne Byrne

EPC Number	Religion	Name and Identifying Details	Birth/Death	Age
27-271	Presb.	BATLEY Richard Comments: Member of H.M.26 th Regt In Numerical Index (P23) has D: 06.10.1887 'Broomhall' says 86 th Regiment	D: 06.10.1897	66
41-529	Anglican	BENSON Michael Comments: From County Mede, Ireland *M: to Mary Finlay, daughter of William and Marjorie Finlay (he an EPG). *Perth Gaoler 1867-1874. Transferred to Fremantle Gaol 1875. Civil Pensioner. *His son, Michael James M; Mary Ann Sarah McCaffry, Daughter of Bernard McCaffrey EPG		
	Anglican	BENTLEY John Comments: Enrolled Pensioner. Died Perth- Disease of lung. Reg. No:Perth 4898/1871. Great grandfather of Nell Chapman. Reference: Chapman East Perth Cemetery: Addendum No 3. Supplementary. Date 1984-1986. Supplied by Interested Persons. (Letters, phone calls, discussions). Page 329	D: 05.03.1871	49
8-42	Independent Church	BRITTAIN Robert Comments: B: Renfrew Scotland. Late of H.M.83 rd Regt In'Broomhalls' as Britton Robert	B: 25.12.1821 D: 12.02.1872	51y 2m
28-272	Anglican	BRUCE Jane Mary (Nee) Buried as Galbraith Comments: Daughter of Lieut. Col. Bruce; wife of Dr. Galbraith, Staff Surgeon.	D:09.12.1854	20y9m
30-313	Anglican	BRUCE Lieut Col. John Comments: Late of H.M. 16 th & 17 th Foot Regts. Commandant, W.A. 20yrs. Staff Officer Pensioners	D: 05.11.1870	62
46-608	Anglican	CADDEN Sergeant John Comments: Late of 27 th Foot Regt.	D: 27.05.1889	60

EPC	Religion	Name and Identifying Details	Birth/Death	Age
Number 27-217	Roman Catholic	CARR William CARR sarah Comments: Wife of above. In Guilfoyle tomh – with daughter Mary Ann and grandchildren.	D: 14.07.1893 D: 01.04.1870	73 42
26-213	Roman Catholic	CLAFFEY Patrick Comments: Pensioner Guard; 65th Regt.	D: 12.03.1882	73
		CLAFFEY Jane Comments: Wife of Patrick Claffey	D: 24.10.1894	60
		CLAFFEY Thomas Comments: Son of above.	D: 17.07.1884	19
		CLAFFEY Jane	B: 10.06.1868	
		Comments: Daughter of above CLAFFEY James Henry Comments: Son of Patrick Claffey	D: 25.08.1887 D: 28.08.1901	19 45
		'Broomhall': has Claffey, Patrick: Admin. Died 31March 1882		
34-381	Roman	CLINTON Serg't George	D: 09.08.1874	
34-361	Catholic	CLINTON Annie Comments: Wife of above.	D: 02.07 1903	75
		CLINTON Alfred 'Broomhalls' has Clinton James.	D: 17.08.1876	15
38-468	Roman Catholic	COSTELLO William Jnr. Comments: Son of William E.P.G	D: 31.03.1888	34
35-468	Anglican	CRAMPTON Robert Henry Major Comments: Army Commandant W.A. Col of Volunteers	D: 15.08.1871	44
		CRAMPTON Catherine Sophia Comments: (Nee Midddlemore). Youngest daughter of Lieut. Gen. Middlemore. Wife of above. CRAMPTON Three unnamed infants. Footstone: RH 1871' CSC 1867 no bio-data.	D: 20.05.1867	31
44-575	Anglican	DARLEY John	D: 26.09.1885	67
	2 8	DARLEY Harriet Comments: Wife of above	D: 16.07.1885	52
29-281	Roman	FALLON James Serg't	D: 12.10.1873	71
2, 20,	Catholic	FALLON John Comments: Eldest son of above	D: 23.12.1872	23
		FALLON Mary Jane. Comments: Eldest daughter.	D: 04.02.1872	21
		FALLON Louisa Comments: Fourth Daughter.	D: 25.04.1881	20
		FALLON Malvina Comments: Youngest daughter	D: 10.10.1882	19
ľ		FALLON Catherine Theresa Comments: Wife of James Fallon	D: 24.12.1897	NR.

investigate whether he would have the power to force the PENSIONER to pay maintenance and care for his daughter.

There are scant records of children of ENROLLED PENSIONER GUARDS who died while traveling the long sea voyage with their parents to the new Colony. Conditions on board some of the ships were primitive and often unsanitary, not conducive to the survival of sickly or premature babies. In the case of PENSIONER GUARD ROBERT HELLIWELL who arrived on the 'William Hammond' in 1856' his baby Emma was sickly during the voyage, but survived just a few months after landing. Helliwell's wife Hannah had already lost at least five children while her husband was serving in India with the EIC. During the long journey from their home in Yorkshire to the Port in southern England and then the torturous sea voyage to Fremantle, Hannah had to watch her little baby weaken and die not long after arrival

Little Emma's story is not an isolated one, as many of the children of the ENROLLED PENSIONER GUARDS were innocent victims of the privations and harsh conditions suffered in the early years of the Colony.

As in all society there would be cases of men who abused their children, and Court records show there were a very small number of PENSIONERS who were in that category

In December 1853, ROBERT FOOT, swore in Court that he was the son of JOSEPH FOOT, ENROLLED PENSIONER (76th Regiment, 'Scindian"). Robert swore on oath he was about 13 years old and he knew what it was to tell a lie, he could read and he had been taught his prayers. He felt that he was capable of giving true evidence. His father ROBERT FOOT is recorded as having died in 1852, and apart from the Court Record of Joseph's testament we can only assume he grew to be a responsible citizen of the Colony.

To balance the ledger in favour of our ENROLLED PENSIONER ANCESTORS we can find many more records from all sources of children who grew to become virtual pioneers in the establishment of small businesses and farms and in the process established their own dynasties in Western Australia.

1841 Census

Who was at home on the night?

NOTICE.

CENSUS ENUMERATION.

All parties temporarily staying in this locality on Sabbath, 2nd April next, and all others who may not have been supplied with a Cemsus Schedels, will receive the same on application to the REGISTRAR or Emmerator of the District.

F.B. Parties leaving before the Enumerator has called will please leave Schedule with next door exighbour.

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The authorities tried to cover every eventuality, as this notice for the 1871 Scottish census shows.

From the Family Tree Magazine

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The census return for Queen Victoria from the 1841 census.



Pensioner Barracks & Parade, 1860s.

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Meeting Times

12noon

Unit1 WAGS

for 2002 still to be confirmed...See January Newsletter

Please note new venue.

There have been a number of important changes to the library to make it more 'user friendly'. Along with the expansion of the accommodation, the need for more volunteers to man/woman the library has grown. If you have any free time, contact the Librarian Stella Short. Don't worry about lack of experience, as you will be shown the way.

Speaking of Volunteers, the need for help from within our group membership is needed for:

- The position of Secretary is still vacant. If you can fill this role please contact Convenor Lawrence Doran 9478 2962
- Newsletter Editor. This position will become vacant at the April AGM. I will be relinquishing this duty. The April 2002 newsletter will be my last. The Future of the Newsletter is at stake. There is a need to plan ahead to fill the position, and any member of the EPG Special Interest Group, who is also a member pf WAGS, that thinks they would like to take it on, please make contact with me, and I will explain what it involves.

Editor Phillippa Ward 9276 7305 or alphiward@bigpond.com

The July Newsletter There is a possibility that some members who subscribed near the time of the newsletter being sent out, may have been overlooked. If you are one, please let me know. The changed format of the last newsletter was suggested as a quicker, easier method of printing it off. It has also been suggested that it be printed in the larger font (12) and any submissions be sent in that size.

Editorial. Having stood down from the Deputy Convenorship in April at the AGM, I don't believe it is appropriate for me to write the Convenors' Report any more. I look forward to Lawrence's or the new Deputy Convenor's contribution in future newsletters.

MEMBERS' CONTRIBUTIONS for this edition cover a range of subjects and are greatfully received. The newsletters are published quarterly, in January, April, July and October, and submissions should be received by us by the 10th of the month preceding. Dependent on the numbers of submissions, some may be held over for later publication.

Jeanette Lee, is a descendant of <u>Daniel McIntyre</u>, formerly of the 13th Foot, who arrived on the Mermaid in 1851, and also <u>Michael Walsh</u> who arrived on the Merchantman in 1863. Jeanette is a constant contributer to our group, devoting a great deal of her time pouring over the records in Alexander and Battye.

PENSIONERS, Temporary and Permanent.

Reel 767 CO 18/108 Public Offices part 2
Page 202. 22April-1858 WO-to-Undersecretary of State CO.

With reference to your enquiry as to the meaning of "temporary pensioners" I am directed to state, that such pensions are granted for periods varying from 3 months to 3 years and upwards, on the discharge of the pensioner from his regiment according to the nature of his disability, the circumstances under which it originated, and his claim from previous services: such temporary pensions dates from the period of the man's discharge from the Army and has no reference to any subsequent employment he may obtain as a pensioner.

Daniel Sullivan's pension expired on the way out, consequently when his engagement as a Convict Guard terminated he had nothing further to receive, having already been paid all he was entitled to under the regulations of the Army and service as a Convict Guard is too temporary a character to found any claim for pension. In regard to the enquiry, whether no amount of service or good conduct entitles a soldier to claim a pension unless he can shew disease I am further directed to state that till the Limited Service Act came into operation, under which pensions can be claimed after the second period of service, though no disability be alleged, no soldier can claim one merely on the completion of a certain service, as a matter of right, but practically after the completion of from 21 to 24 years, no great strictness has of late been observed in regard to the disability. The statement of being 'worn out', 'suffering from rheumatic pains', 'difficulty of breathing', or any other of the complaints which, after the above service, coupled with the medical certificate of their inability for further service, has generally been considered sufficient to warrant their discharge on permanent pension but the form of having some disability or cause of discharge assigned have always to be gone through except on reduction of Establishment.

Ship	No of Pens.	Perma	nent	Non Permanent		
Wm. Hammond	30	29men	20w, 40ch	1 man		
Runnymede	30	26m,	15m, 35ch.	4 men	, 2w, 3ch.	
Clara	30	27m	20w, 39ch.	3 men	, 2w, 1ch.	
Total	90	82m	55w 114ch.	8m.	4w, 4ch	

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Merv Darcy, who is a descendant of <u>John Stokes</u> formerly of the 63rd Regiment, a member of the Enrolled Pensioner Force who arrived on the 15th August 1865 on the Racehorse has shared with us the following points of interest.

- Two of John Stokes (EPF) Grandson's are still living. Percy Stokes who celebrated his 101st birthday on the 28th August 2001, and his brother Cyril who is 88 years old.
- Further, their father William Stokes married Annie Maguire whose father James Maguire organized the escape of the famous Fenian John Boyle O'Reilly.
- ➤ Harold John Stokes, Grandson of John Stokes (EPF) served in the First World War in the 44th AIF. This battalion was first given the name 'Digger' which was later adopted by all AIF troops. Merv has the original newspaper cutting that supports this fact.

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Jean McDonald, descendant of <u>E.P.G. Robert Helliwell</u>, formerly of the 5th Battalion, Bengal Artillery, Hon EIC, who arrived in this Colony on the William Hammond in March 1856, drew our attention to an article written by Andre Malan in the Big Weekend section of the West Australian on Saturday August 18th 2001. The article was about the global communication of today through the Internet and the outdated 'Telegraph Service' which was discontinued in 1988. Jean has been a regular contributor to our newsletter.

["In WA the first telegram was sent at precisely 11am on June 21, 1869, from the Acting Governor, Lieut-Col John Bruce, on a line that had been strung on jarrah poles along the banks of the river, to the chairman of the Fremantle Town Trust, congratulating him on this "annihilation of distance between the port and the capital".

The room from which the first telegram was sent is now part of the gents toilet at the Town Hall, and the telegraphist was a ticket —or-leave Scot named James Coats Fleming who had been transported to Fremantle for, among other misdemeanours, selling blackened sawdust to merchants in Glasgow under the pretence that it was tea leaves.

(Fleming provided an excellent example of the virtues of transportation and the power of redemption. After being granted his ticket of leave he became a journalist on The Inquirer and Commercial News, and a principal of the William Street Academy, in which "a number of boys were schooled".)

According to a contemporary account of the sending of the first telegram, an orderly was dispatched from Government House to the Town Hall with the message to be telegraphed to Fremantle. Afterwards he returned to Government House and told Colonel Bruce he was sure the message had not been sent because he had been watching the wire closely and had not seen it move."]

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Request to buy secondhand book "The Veterans" by F.H. Broomhall.

Please ring 9459 3280

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Don't overlook the 'Convict Links", the quarterly Newsletter of the Convict Historical and Research Group for resources for our old soldiers. The October 1999 issue mentioned the transcribed and bound copies of Surgeons' Journals for 10 convict ships to WA in the Battye Library. They have been transcribed by John Kelly

Vimeira	Q910.45 CRA	Lord Raglan	Q910.45 BOW
Lincelles	Q910.45 CRA	Clara	Q910.45 CRA
Corona	Q910.45 CRA	Clyde	Q910.45 CRA
Norwood(1)	Q910.45 SAU	Norwood(2)	Q910.45 SAU
Racehorse	Q910.45 WAT	Merchantman(2)	Q910.45 SMI

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MORE EXTRACTS FROM 'EARLY DAYS', JOURNAL OF THE ROYAL W.A.HISTORICAL SOCIETY, Concerning Enrolled Pensioner Guards.

Vol 2 Part 15 page 29, 1934

Extracts from Journal of Thomas Scott.

His description of W.A. including Perth in 1870 mentions Pensioners Barracks — 'like a giant guard over the city'. Also mentions seeing a review of Pensioners and Perth Volunteers before His Excellency the Governor — "....pretty good turn out considering that more than one-half of the volunteers were colonials, who as a general thing are anything but gainly."

Vol2 Part 19 Page 39, 1936

Relations between Settlers and Aborigines in Western Australia by A.O. Neville. Comments on 1850 and the arrival of convicts, soldiers and pensioners with wives and families. 'In 1860 settlers, soldiers and Pensioners numbered about 16,000'.

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Gay Fielding is descended from <u>EPG John Campbell</u>, formerly 42nd Regiment of Foot, then 2nd Bn. The Rifle Brigade, who arrived in WA in 1851 per 'Minden'. Gay is a member who lives in Queensland and therefore does not have easy access to the records in Battye and Alexander. She is interested in identifying the ship on which John Campbell and family left W.A., and the destination, possibly between 1864-1866. Gay has passed on the following advice to assist those researching their Enrolled Pensioners who were formerly in the Hon. East India Company ranks.

This from the British Library/OIOC website (British Library, Oriental and India Office Collections).

Reference Private soldiers in the East India Company. The records that would cover their careers would be:

- The Enlistment Registers
- The Bengal, Madras and Bombay Muster Rolls

And should give details of their previous occupations plus a physical description (enlistment Registers) and careers (Muster Rolls).

Both the Bengal and Madras Muster Rolls had been filmed by the Mormons and therefore should be available on Microfilm in Australia. However I could not ascertain if the Bombay Muster rolls had been filmed by them as it did not indicate 'Mormon" alongside the shelfmark and film number in our catalogue. I am not too sure how up to date the catalogue is, so it might be worth checking if the Bombay Muster Rolls have also been filmed by them and can be obtained in Australia.

The same has to be said for the Enlistment Registers: the microfilm register shows certain of the series have been filmed but there are others which again do not have 'Mormon" placed alongside them. However once again it would be well worth checking to see how much or how little has been microfilmed and is available there.

Should you find that you will have to apply to this office again for some of the above material, because it is not held by the Latter Day Saints, I am afraid that due to lack of time and staff we will be unable to undertake the type of lengthy searches that you would require. However attached to this e-mail is a list of record/research agents who are experienced in working with our records and would be able to spend time on such searches.

This list is included in this newsletter.

PLEASE NOTE The Oriental and India Office Collections makes this list freely available, but does not conduct negotiations on behalf of enquirers. All arrangements (including those for payment) should be conducted directly between an enquirer and his or her chosen research agent.

HOW TO LOCATE AND ORDER A FILM FOR VIEWING AT YOUR LOCAL FAMILY HISTORY CENTRE, from the Family History Library Catalogue which is online, is also included in this newsletter.

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New Book

"Midwest of Western Australia"...Pre 1901 Pioneer Family Register, Geraldton Family History Society Incorporated. Published by Geraldton Family History Society Incorporated, P.O. Box 2502, Geraldton W.A. 6531 \$27.50 plus \$6 postage. (Information from Daphne Byrne.)

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State Records Office/Alexander Library

CSR Vol 641 **PAUPERS** 4TH JAN – 15TH DEC. 1869 FOLIO 98 Perth **23.3.1869** To the Hon. Colonial Secretary.

"The building lately occupied by the military under Mt. Eliza having now opened as a Depot for Colonial Paupers and Invalids". Requests for state contracts to be established. Thomas Harris to be overseer and Joseph Dewes, assistant overseer at the Invalids Depot at Mt. Eliza.

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ENROLLED PENSIONER GUARD INTEREST LIST

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NAME	FIRST NAME/S	REGIMENT		EPG/PENS/WARDER
O'Connor	Jeremiah		Dudbrook	EPG
Oliver	William		Phoebe Dunbar	EPG
O'Sullivan	Patrick		Merchantman 2	EPG
Passmore	Henry		Racehorse	Chief Warder
Pinker	Isaac		Arafura	Warder
Plant	David		Belgravia	Warder
Postans	George		Scindian	
Pusey/Dobson	_			
Ramsay	Robert		Minden	EPG
Reddin	Michael		Scindian	EPG
Redmond	Michael		Hougoumont	EPG
Reilly	John	57th	Sultana	EPG
Reilly	Joseph		Pyrenees 2	EPG
Reilly	Michael		Edwin Fox	EPG
Rice	Matthew		Clyde	EPG
Rickey	Walter		Robert Small	EPG
Rutley	George		Naval Brigade	EPG
Savage	William		Phoebe Dunbar	EPG
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Shea	Patrick		Dudbrook	EPG
Sheridan	Bernard		Clara 1	EPG
Shinners	Daniel	EIC	Lord Raglan	EPG
	Charles	EIC	Lincelles	EPG
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Smith	Isaac	0046	Clara 2	EPG
Smith	James William	99th	Clyde	EPG
			Sultana	EPG
Stewart	Daniel		Merchantman 1	EPG
Stokes	John		Racehorse	EPG
Stone	James		William Hammond	EPG
Stone	William	4046	Sultana	EPG
Sullivan	John	10th	Sea Park	EPG
Sutton	Samuel		Scindian	EPG
Sweeny	Alexander		Norwood	EPG
Throssell	Michael		Scindian	EPG
Tomas	Alexander		Stag	_
Trayhorne	Richard		Hashemy	EPG
Tulley	Brian		Norwood	EPG
Tunney	John		Dudbrook	EPG
Turner	John	90th	Clyde	EPG
Urquhart	William		Ramillies	EPG
Vagg	Edward		Norwood 2	EPG
Vance	John		Racehorse	EPG
Walsh	Michael			
Walsh	Michael	49th	Merchantman 1	EPG
Walsh	Nicholas		Belgravia	EPG
Weir	William		Belgravia	EPG
Whelan	Thomas		Hougoumont	EPG
White	James			
White	William John		Adelaide	EPG
Whitely	James	31st	Minden	EPG
Wimbridge	William		Pyrenees 2	EPG
Woolhouse	Jeremiah		Ramillies	EPG
Wright/Sturmar			Racehorse	EPG
Young	Thomas		Stag	EPG

MORE ABOUT THE EIC

You will have to bear with me a little., as I am indulging myself with all this help in researching the old soldiers in the EIC, as that is where my old soldier, Michael Reilly was. Since starting with this group, my own research has stalled, and I am looking forward to starting up again in the new year. The following information has been sent by Sue Baddeley in the UK.

'The HEIC Army setup was different to the British Army, and whilst I was researching I found that there are 9 record types which covered a man's enlistment details....I found that of those 9, 3 should be looked at together....The Pension District Enlistment Registers, the Depot Muster Registers and the Embarkation Registers (either District or Depot)...in most cases the same information is found, but where the marital state is concerned it is rare that the District Enlistment Registers will annotate whether the recruit is married prior to enlistment... where-as if the wife accepted, the Embarkation Returns will show her being on board and on the odd occasion will give the first name of wife and child.....

Another thing to note is ... sometimes a page from a record isn't filmed...eg Peter Augustus Lautour's baptismal entry is missing from the LDS film but it's in the Madras Baptismal Register."

Sue also suggests going to the Reid Library to have a look at the microfilms they hold from the IOL....'Robyn Hukin did a transcription of the titles and contents of these films and put it in the Western Ancestor 6-8 years ago now....these films are a treasure and are one of the few sets (if not the only one) to be found outside the IOLOC......'

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CORRECTION.

Since our last newsletter, it has been brought to our attention about the relationship of Michael Benson (buried in the East Perth Cemetery) to William Finlay, an EPG.

The lists of East Perth Cemetery occupants were collated with 'The Veterans' by FH Broomhall and 'The Bicentennial Dictionary of Western Australians' pre 1829—1888. Volumes 1-1V compiled by Rica Erickson.

The information collated from these three books, were then listed as EPG/Warders and or their families listed in the EP Cemeteries.

In the Bicentennial Dictionary under 'Benson Michael, has him married to Mary Finlay, daughter of William and Marjory. Under Finlay-- Finlay Mary, daughter of William and Marjory, M: Michael Benson.

Evidently, whoever gave the information for the compilers of the Bicentennial Dictionary, had their information mixed up.

From the information we received:

Mary Finlay married John Benson, son of Michael and his wife Margaret. Margaret is not mentioned in the Bicentennial Dictionary, but is in the East Perth Cemetery Lists. Buried in the R.C. Section with their daughter, son in law and two grandchildren. Margaret is listed, at 94 years, as the oldest person in the East Perth Cemetery..

If any members have discovered any discrepancies with their EPG entries in Broomhall's or the Bicentennial Dictionary, could they please let us know, so that a note can be made.

This again emphasizes the need to check the Primary Sources when you are researching. (ED)

Daphne Byrne

MILITARY SITES ON THE WEB (From Battye)

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Western Australian 16th Regiment: http://www.starwon.com.au/~skip/

AUSTRALIAN

Australian War Memorial: http://www.awm.gov.au/

ANZACS's who Died at Gallipoli, 1915 http://www.anzacs.org/

Royal Australian Navy: http://www.navy.gov.au/

BRITISH

Imperial War Museum, London: http://www.iwm.org.uk/

National Army Museum, Chelsea, London:

http://www.national-army-museum.ac.uk/

National Maritime Museum, Greenwich, London:

http://www.nmm.ac.uk/

Royal Air Force Museum, Hendon, London:

http://www.rafmuseum.org.uk/

WORLD WAR 1

Trenches on the Web: an Internet history of World War 1: http://worldwar1.com/

THE MOUNT ELIZA DEPOT.

Throughout our research into the Enrolled Pensioner Force there are references made to the Convict Hiring Stations or 'Depots' throughout the Colony. At the end of 1853, there were 1045 convicts in the Fremantle Establishment, and the branches at North Fremantle, Freshwater Bay, Clarence, Guildford, Greenmount and Toodyay Road, and apparently about 300 at Hiring Stations (depots) further afield, at Toodyay, York, Bunbury, King George's Sound , Mt. Eliza, Port Gregory, and York Greenmount. At each of the depots, except Port Gregory , north of Geraldton, a chaplin for convicts was also stationed. Where the convicts went, there also were members of the Enrolled Pensioner Force. The Mount Eliza Depot is frequently mentioned in records.

"Springing from History", by Mr. William de Burgh, a local historian and author of "The Breakaways"

Under Mt. Eliza, at the north-east edge of the Swan Brewery is a spring of fresh water. This spring and the flat area of ground was used by aborigines in the early days as a camping and fishing spot. It is thought they had a path up the cleft to hunting grounds in what is now known as Kings Park.

The earliest use the colonists made of the important site where the Swan Brewery buildings still stand, was to build a small shipyard. After this venture was abandoned, the Government started an institution in 1833 for the welfare and instruction of the native people. But few availed themselves of the service, and the school was moved. In 1838 the buildings comprising the former native institution were licenced for the operation of a flour mill. In July 1839 the Perth Gazette reported that the steam mill commenced working. The Government was satisfied with its performance and the partners were given freehold title to the block designated 'Perth Suburban Lot 6" in July 1840. Though mechanically successful, the mill ran into financial troubles.

The premises at Mount Eliza, with imposing two storey building, tall chimney, miller's house, outbuildings and jetty, were then occupied by John Stringer and his family. He was a director of the Western Australian Bank. The Stringer family left the colony in 1846, and the 'steam mills (so called) was sold to Henry and Robert de Burgh (sheep graziers). It was to remain in the de Burgh family for the next 33 years.

The First site of the Mt. Eliza Depot was in fact the old steam mill. It was used from June 1850 until the end of 1851 as a temporary ticket –of-leave hiring depot. It was during this time that the Mount Eliza Depot was built at the site of the Kennedy Fountain, to the east of the mill. When I spoke to Mr. DeBurgh, he said that Robert de Burgh and family lived next door to the Mount Eliza Depot for about 5 years before moving to Caversham in January 1856.

The early Days of Mt. Eliza...

Chapter One of 'The History of Sunset Hospital' by Ann Whyntie.

According to these records, the building was erected in 1853 by a total of 223 male convicts. (Comptroller General's Correspondence 25th Feb. 1853). Progress was slow as twenty eight of the men could not be spared from North Fremantle where they were building Pensioners' cottages, warders' quarters and the hospital.

By 1863 the work station at Mount Eliza became the hiring depot for Perth where unemployed ticket-of-leavers were forwarded to wait for work.

1868 saw the end of Transportation and the ready source of labour it provided.

Early in 1869 the Imperial Government handed over to the Colonial Government all buildings connected with Convict Establishments including the Mount Eliza Depot. It was vacated by the 14th Regiment and fitted out as an asylum for old and incapable male paupers. There were 83 paupers needing indoor relief at that time.

By 1872, the buildings had come to be known as the Invalid Depot, the original buildings housing the paupers for 10 years. An extension was completed in May 1880.

All able bodied Paupers were employed from 8 am to noon, and from 1 to 6 p.m.with domestic and outside gardening duties, and assisting the sick.

There are copious records in the State Records Office records on the ground floor at Alexander about the conditions in the Depot, the duties expected of the 'inmates', the formalities of being 'admitted into the depot', the food, the privations, the 'selective' admissions for 'indoor and outdoor relief', the surrendering of pensions for upkeep, the 'labelling' of poor souls, the harsh assessments of needs.

I have attempted to summarise these records in the CSO with reference to the Enrolled Pensioners and their families, to assist members with their research. From 1862 to 1883 they have been summarized and the records are still being collated for our records in WAGS. An example of the items summarized:-

CSR Volume 505 PAUPERS Mar. - Dec 1862

Folio 122 Application for poor relief by James Mahony and wife Ellen Mahony.

You can see from the information, what the name is, and the reference is for you to look for if you are researching James Mahony. I still have to do the indexes.

Sunset Hospital, previously known as the Old Mens' Home, was built on a rise overlooking the Swan River at Freshwater Bay in Dalkeith, W.A. Work commenced on the building in 1904 and the first men were admitted in March 1906 and it was proclaimed a Poorhouse. In late 1939 the name was changed from the 'Old Men's Home to 'Sunset.

Old women were first housed in an "Old Women's Home" in Murray Street Perth, and later in the 'Asylum" in Fremantle. Although they lived under the same type of regulations as the men it seemed to be a greater crime to be poor if you were female.

Sunset Hospital, Its History and Function. By Ann T. Whyntie can be found in "Early Days", The Journal of the Western Australian Historical Society) Volume 8, Part 5.

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THE BRITISH LIBRARY

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ORDERING FILMS FROM THE LDS, FAMILY HISTORY CATALOGUE.

- 1. First go to the LDS site: http://www.familysearch.org/. It wil open on the 'Ancestor Search' page. There are two other main search options: Keyword Search or Custom Search.
- 2. Click on CUSTOM SEARCH (these options are shown on blue/grey tabs just under the main page heading.
- 3. You should now be looking at a page containing 8 clickable categories, as follows, each with a brief description:

Ancestral File

International Genealogical Index (the IGI)

Pedigree Resource File

Family History Library Catalog

Family History Centers

SourceGuide

Web Sites

Collaboration Lists

Click on the Family History Library Catalog (don't worry, you can check out some of the others later!)

- 4. When the FHLC screen comes up you will be given 3 search options. Now comes the fun it is easy to miss finding a category of records by searching under 'wrong' or just 'different' criteria. Try these:
- a) All searches Author India_Office Accountant General's Department
 - b) Place India (eg) Military records Indexes
- c) Place Great Britian (&/or England) then a subject, eg Military Records etc
- 5. Each search method will bring up a different list of continuation options.

For example, a) above will bring up another list including pension records. wills indexes, click on the one you want. At each stage of the search a new screen with catalogue information and clickable links will pop up.

6. When the catalogue information screen is arrived at, there will usually by a clickable tab on the top right of the main frame which says: "View Film Notes".

Click on this and you will then get a list of all the film numbers and brief description of what is contained on the film. You now have all the info needed to order a film for viewing at your local LDS Family History Centre.

Of course, you didn't need to read the above waffle past item 3. as full instructions for using the Catalog are shown in the right frame as you progress through the site. Secondly, most (?all) LDS FHCs should have the Catalog available both on CD ROM and on microfiche (there are 3 fiche making up the India catalogue and they are good for a browse!!)