## TRAGIC TALE - & - NEW ENROLLED PENSIONER GUARD (EPG)

- In 1873 a young lad found EPG Peter Millard (PM) in a cave on South Beach Fremantle.
- PM was sick, destitute, and unable to walk.
- Reporting to the local police, they sent Police Constable John Fee with a hired horse and cart.
- PM was found and but for this timely assistance would have perished from cold and starvation.
- He was brought to Fremantle where Dr Henry Calvert Barnett ensured nourishment and transferred PM to the Colonial Hospital.
- He lived at the Colonial Hospital for seven years and died of "old age" there in 1880.
- PM was a Royal Marine, born 1807 in Somerset and at 19yo embarked on the HMS Revenge, serving for 13 years to 1839.
- On discharge he was on pension for 16 years in South England
- By 1851 he is an unmarried Greenwich Pensioner living in Exeter, Devon.
- In the leadup to 1855 his pension was transferred to "Australia".
- We next see him on the July 1855 Adelaide convict ship's sick list.
- In 1868 PM, a literate pensioner, was judged by Charles A.J. Symonds for stealing one flannel shirt of Government property from the Court and sentenced for 14 days.
- PM did not marry and I often wonder what led him to destitution given his £7 12s annual pension.

See: <a href="https://enrolledpensionerforcewa.org.au/epf-profiles/m/millard-peter-royal-marines/">https://enrolledpensionerforcewa.org.au/epf-profiles/m/millard-peter-royal-marines/</a>

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