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The Story of Rosedale.The Centenary of Municipal Government, 1869-1969.

This year, Rosedale can celebrate its centenary of local government. Rosedale was created a Road Board District, 26th. February, 1869. The first meeting of the Rosedale Road Board was held on the 19th. May, 1869, at the Police Office, Rosedale, the members of this first Board being Donald McLeod, James Smith, William Essington King, John Wilson, Samuel McWilliams and Edward Sproule.

The Board lasted for a little less than two years, being replaced by the Rosedale Shire, proclaimed on the 17th. February, 1871.

However, the story of Rosedale begins some years earlier than the records of its Board and Shire, certainly not later than 1853, and probably a little earlier.

In the Beginning.

There seems to be no beginning and no ending to history. The story of Australia, and of any town in Australia, can be linked with the chain of events stretching back through thousands of years of known history into a past that is quite unknown. The beginnings of the little village of Rosedale, where the shepherd, Blind Joe (blind in one eye) had his hut in 1848, are to be found, not in 1848 with that first hut, nor in 1788, with the arrival of the First Fleet at Botany Bay, nor in the Renaissance, that began 500 years before that, and not even in the Greek civilizations of two thousand years ago, but in a dim and distant past that gave rise to those civilizations, which, in turn, made later events possible, including the establishment of Rosedale.

Yet, the Renaissance, which began about 700 years ago, is a convenient landmark in modern history from which to begin our story. The word "renaissance" means "rebirth", and we mean to imply by the term, that mankind, after enduring the darkness of ignorance for hundreds of years, began then to acquire, or to reacquire, the knowledge of the ancient, civilized world. It was the time when the men of Europe, having absorbed at last the barbarian hordes that had overrun the Roman Empire, rediscovered the learning and the knowledge of the Greeks and Romans, and began to make their own, new contributions. From that time, the snowball of knowledge has grown, at first slowly, but with ever-increasing momentum, until it has become an avalanche, threatening to destroy us with its might and speed. The processes of the Renaissance are still going on today, and are to be found in our nuclear experiments and our probings into outer space.

The inner force of the Renaissance was the spirit of inquiry which led men to question and to explore in every domain and in every direction. Our story here, which is the story of Rosedale, is not concerned with the developments in Art or Religion, but with the activities that widened the geographical horizons of people.

Not only Australia, but most of the southern hemisphere was completely unknown to the men of Europe of the 15th. century. First the Portuguese, headed by Barthomew Diaz, who felt his way down the coast of Africa to the Cape of Good Hope in 1486, and then Vasco da Gama, who rounded the Cape and reached India in 1497, brought their ships thousands of miles closer to Australia than any Europeans before them had done. Perhaps some early Portuguese adventurers actually reached the Australian coast, but kept their secrets, lest they lost some trade advantage by sharing their knowledge with the rest of the world.

The Portuguese were followed by the Dutch, who, from 1606 to 1644, sometimes by accident and sometimes by design, reached the coast of Australia.

The Dutch discovered and mapped the whole of the west and north coasts of Australia, and a little of the southern coast. Tasman discovered Tasmania in 1642, and Tasmania is not so far from Rosedale. However, the Dutch found the country and its inhabitants useless for trade, and with the recall of Governor van Diemen from Java, and the completion of the great voyages of Tasman in 1642 and 1644, ceased to bother any further with a profitless, barren waste.

It was not until nearly fifty years later that the first Englishman, the buccaneer William Dampier, sighted Australia and landed on Australian soil, but his experiences and discoveries on the north and west coasts, 1688 and 1699, merely repeated those of the Dutch, and confirmed their poor opinion of our continent.

It was one of the greatest navigators of all time, the Englishman Captain James Cook, who brought about a re-appraisal of Australia by discovering the eastern coastline, in 1770, almost 200 years ago. The eastern part of

Australia presented a far more pleasing aspect than had any other part. The times and circumstances, as well as the place, were favourable to Cook. He had on board the wealthy and influential botanist, Sir Joseph Banks, who was impressed by this new country, and who, for the rest of his life, showed intense interest in it. At the same time, the harsh penal laws of England were crowding the gaols with their victims. Within six years, when the American colonies declared their independence from Britain, the authorities in England had to find new dumping grounds to which to send their convicts, and Australia had the doubtful honour of being selected.

In the short space of seven years, 1783 to 1789, occurred three events of world-shattering importance. In 1783, the Independence of America was recognized by Britain; in 1788, the first settlement of Australia was made at Sydney; and in 1789, the French Revolution broke out. At that time, no doubt the settlement of Australia was considered the least important event of the three, or more probably of no importance at all.

Captain Cook's work in 1770 ended the great period of discovery, though some coastal exploration and all the inland exploration had still to be done.

The year 1788 began the era of settlement. In less than 15 years, white men were cruising along the coast of Victoria, discovering the coast of Gippsland (Bass, for example, in 1798).

The establishment of the First Settlement at Sydney in 1788, meant that, from then on, there was a base in Australia itself from which further explorations could be carried out by sea and by land. Here again, the continuation of our story depends on one man, on Governor Arthur Phillip, for there can be little doubt that if it had not been for the courage, enterprise and vision of Phillip, the first settlement would have been a failure, and the experiment would have been abandoned by Britain, perhaps for all time.

To begin with, all the members of this first group, both convicts and guards, were prisoners, isolated effectively by the wide seas in front of them and hemmed in by the mountain walls behind them. Narrowly escaping death by slow starvation, they yet survived, and within a few years were able to explore the coast line and establish further settlements, the most important being at Risdon Cove, near Hobart, in 1803, and at Launceston. Victoria was first successfully settled from these secondary bases in Tasmania.

The mountains proved to be a greater barrier than the sea, and it was not until 1813, twenty-five years after the first landing, that the prisoners scaled the walls of their prison, led by Blaxland, Wentworth and Lawson, and escaped out into the plains beyond. The Blue Mountains were crossed in 1813. Another twenty-five years approximately went by, before the squatters of New South Wales, gradually extending the area of occupation, reached the northern border of what is now the State of Victoria (about 1838) ready to penetrate into Gippsland and other parts. The stage was set for the first white man to set foot on Rosedale soil. In February, 1841, Angus McMillan and his party, passed through what is now the site of Rosedale on their way to discover a port for Gippsland, Port Albert. A memorial cairn at Rosedale commemorates the fact that Angus McMillan was the first explorer to reach that area.

#### The Squatters, and the Cattle Stations.

The squatting station which included the present site of Rosedale in its vast area was the Snake Ridge Run, one of the biggest in Gippsland, stretching a long way north and south of the Latrobe River. On the western boundary of Snake Ridge Run, from north to south, were the cattle stations of Heyfield, Rosedale, and Loy Yang. On the eastern boundary, again from north to south were Fulham, Kilmany, Holey Plain, and Merton. Briefly, here is the early story of these eight stations:

**Snake Ridge.....**an area of 60,000 acres with an estimated carrying capacity of 12,000 cattle and 25,000 sheep. The name was given to this prominent ridge (near Rosedale) by Angus McMillan, who found a snake there which had been killed by the Blacks for its fat. The station was taken up by John Reeve in 1842, and then by John King in 1849, as manager and partner in the firm of T. Holt and Co, pastoralists.

**Heyfield.....**occupied in 1841 by James and M. Macfarlane, and later subdivided by them into Heyfield, and Glennaggie.

**Rosedale.....**David Parry Okeden, 1844. He named the station after his wife, formerly Rose Dutton. The township later, in turn, was also called Rosedale, although it lay in the Snake Ridge Run, not the Rosedale Run. Still, it must be admitted that Rosedale is a prettier name for a town than Snake Ridge is. To distinguish between the station and the township, it became the custom to refer to the former as Old Rosedale Run.



- Loy Yang.....Occupied and managed by James Rintoull, in 1844, for J.F.Turnbull.
- Fulham.....Occupied in turn by P. Imlay, 1841; Captain Orr, 1842;  
John King, 1842 (for Holt & Co.); F. Desailly, senior, 1846.
- Kilmany.....Taken up by Mrs. Helen Pearson in 1841, with and for her son,  
William Pearson, who, later, held the station alone.
- Holey Plain..Occupied in 1842 by W. Curlewis, who sold it to Edward Croke  
in 1845. This property is still in the hands of the Croke  
family, who have thus been in continuous possession for  
124 years.

John Reeve was the first "owner" of Rosedale, since the Snake Ridge Run which he took up in 1842 included the site of Rosedale in its area. He came to Australia from London, and travelled to Port Albert on the coastal vessel, the "Corsair", arriving at the Port, the 25th July, 1841. He paid for a special survey known as the Reeve's Survey, along the bank of the Tarra River, and comprising 5,120 acres. In a sense, he was Rosedale's first pioneer, since he made his home at Snake Ridge in 1842. He was made a Justice of the Peace. He married a daughter of Judge Wentworth of Sydney, and had two sons and two daughters. He did not stay long in Australia, and returned to London, taking his wife and family with him, settling at Wimbleton where he had a fine house. Lake Reeve is named after him.

John King was the second son of Admiral Phillip Parker King, and a grandson of Governor Philip Gidley King. Something of the story of the King family and the connection of the members of that family with the history of Rosedale, Gippsland and Australia, has already been told in these pages. Suffice to say here that he was probably more closely associated with the early days of Rosedale than anyone else. It is said that the first inhabitants of Rosedale village were employees of John King at the Ridge Station. He took an active part in the municipal and church life of Rosedale. There is a plaque to his memory in St. Mark's Church of England, Rosedale.

David Parry Okeden was born on his father's estate at More Critchel; Dorset, 7th February, 1810, and as a midshipman, took part in the naval Battle of Navarino, against the Turks and the Egyptians, 20th October, 1827. Soon after, he left the Navy, came to Australia and engaged in coastal trade. Inheriting a little money, he speculated in land in New South Wales and New Zealand, and became wealthy. In 1838, he revisited England, and married Miss Rosalie Caroline Dutton there. He returned to Sydney on board the Eden, a vessel of 1500 tons, and purchased the property known as Marianumbla on the Snowy River. His son, William Parry Okeden, who became the Chief Commissioner of Police in Queensland, was born at this property, 13th May, 1840. In 1842, he became the first holder of the Rosedale Cattle Run, remaining there for ten years before selling out to John King's pastoral company, T. Holt & Co. Later holders of the Rosedale Run were T. Hoddinott, A.P. Bowman and others.

William Pearson 1818-1893, was born at Hilton, Fifeshire, Scotland, the eldest son of Captain Hugh Pearson, R.N. He arrived in Australia in 1841, and with his mother, selected the Kilmany Run in that same year, naming it after his native parish in Fifeshire. He was also interested and successful in goldmining, being one of the principal share-holders in the Long Tunnel Mine at Walhalla. Perhaps he was best known in Gippsland for his keen interest in horse-racing. The establishment of the Green Wattle Course was mainly due to him. His horse, Prince, ran third to Archer (1st) and Mormon (2nd) in the first Melbourne Cup, 1861. In 1884, two of his horses, Commotion and Plausible filled the second and third places (to Malua, 1st) in the Melbourne Cup of that year.

Edward Bayliss was one of the first squatters to penetrate into Gippsland, preceding Angus McMillan by a few months. In 1838, he came from the Monaro district in New South Wales, and took up land first on the Snowy River near Buchan. Bayliss' Flat, north of the Buchan River, recalls his name. In 1843, he occupied the Merton Run (now known as Willung), adjoining the Snake Ridge Run. Mr. E.J. Bayliss, the present Secretary of the Berwick Historical Society, is a grandson of Edward Bayliss.

Edward C. Croke, in addition to his Holey Plains Run, taken up by him in 1845, held Hinnomungie from 1841 to 1859, and also Bindi, Tongiomungie and Lucknow, at various times. However, Holey Plains was the headquarters, and here, the Croke family built a magnificent homestead, still in excellent condition, and one of the few remaining reminders of the days of squatter splendour.



Rosedale Village, Established 1851.

We cannot really put an exact date to the beginning of Rosedale township, but we know it must have been between 1848, when Penrose Nevin's map shows only Blind Joe's Hut, a little to the east of today's township; and the first survey of Rosedale made in 1853 by Malcolm Campbell, showing six blocks and three named streets, Queen Street, Prince Street and Albert Street. There was another survey in 1855 by Surveyor Dawson.

Blind Joe, whose name is still commemorated in Blind Joe's Creek, was one of ten or a dozen shepherds, each in charge of a flock of about 2,000 shepp, employed by John King of Snake Ridge Station. Of course, he was blind only in one eye. Unfortunately, we do not know his surname. In the King diaries kept for the Ridge Station, the names of a number of shepherds are given - Weston, Taylor, Kemp, Crosland, Clarkson, and Gabriel, as well as Blind Joe - and only this latter shepherd is given a descriptive name rather than a surname.

It is said that Blind Joe left Snake Ridge to join the gold rush to Ballarat in 1851. His successor was probably Joe Threader. This is what Mr. Frank Whitcombe has to say about it in his short History of Rosedale printed in the "Weekly Times" for March, 1930:

"When the last of the Ridge sheep were being removed by Mr. Lethbridge in June, 1855, from Blind Joe's Creek (as Rosedale was then called), Joe Threader was the shepherd, and he and his wife would frequently sleep in the watch-box beside the fold. They had a wattle and daub hut where the Exchange Hotel now stands, and the sheepfold became the site of Mr. Rintoull's garden."

Charles Ignatz Du Ve in his excellent little booklet on "Olden Rosedale" mentions Joe Threader and his wife, and also Rintoull's famous garden. According to Du Ve, it seems as though Jimmy Widdowson who kept a primitive "hotel" there might have been the first inhabitant of Rosedale, but Du Ve, born in England in 1845 did not arrive in Australia until 1853, when he was eighteen years old, and even if he went straight to Rosedale, which he might have done, he would have just missed the beginnings of the township by a year or two. Perhaps it would be fair and near enough to correct to give the honour of being the pioneer citizens of Rosedale to Joe Threader and his wife, Jimmy Widdowson, Sam the Snob, Tom Timms and others, equally.

Roads, Transport and Communication.

Although Nevin's map of 1848 shows that there was no settlement at Rosedale at that time, it also indicates that here was the strategic place for a village. For example, Blind Joe's Hut was on the first primitive track from Melbourne to Sale, with a junction road leading away from that point to Port Albert, a very important place in those days, and the main gateway into Gippsland.

It is true that the first people settled there were employees of the Snake Ridge Run, but it is also true that these people would choose the most suitable site, a place near water, a central place, a place where the most ready contact with the outside world could be made. The beginnings of Rosedale are tied up with the development of roads and communication.

Up till 1847, as is made clear in the King diaries, practically all the travel away from Snake Ridge Run was in the direction of Sale (Flooding Creek) and Port Albert, by-passing the site of Rosedale. By 1848, there was a rough track connecting Sale with Melbourne, and more and more people began to use this route, Rev. Francis Hales used it in 1848 to travel from Melbourne to Gippsland for his three months of itinerant ministry here. The next year, Bishop Perry and Mrs. Perry travelled the same road. Drovers had been driving their cattle along this route at least as early as 1848.

In 1849, the Commissioner of Lands for Gippsland, Mr. C.J. Tyers, improved the track and built some bridges over the more difficult streams to cross.

In 1848, an overland mail-service was organized linking Melbourne with Gippsland. Du Ve mentions this in his "Olden Rosedale", although his description would refer to the post in the 1850's rather than in 1848: "The mails in those days arrived weekly, and were conveyed by two riders. Mat the mailman brought Her Majesty's mails from Dandenong to Moe, where he met Jerry the mailman, who had conveyed them from Port Albert, via Sale and Rosedale".

The growing popularity of this route together with the growing importance of Rosedale is indicated by the building of the substantial Rosedale Hotel in 1858.

The road was further improved to take vehicular traffic all the way from Melbourne to Sale, and a regular coach service began in September, 1865. Rosedale became the third most important town in Gippsland, after Port Albert and Sale.

The traffic between Port Albert and the gold-mining town of Walhalla from 1863 onwards added to the busy-ness of Rosedale.

Chapter 2. The Earliest Inhabitants of Rosedale.

It is generally conceded that, with one or two exceptions, the first people to make their homes at Rosedale were the casual and seasonal workers employed at John King's Snake Ridge Run. The King diaries of that period make, therefore, one of our most important sources of information about the beginnings of Rosedale, particularly when names are verified from C.I. Du Ve's story of "Olden Rosedale". Unfortunately, the King diaries usually give us only the surnames, sometimes nick-names (such as "Blind Joe"), and only rarely the full names of people figuring in the diary. There is also a gap in the diaries from 1850 to 1853, the years that cover the period of Rosedale's earliest beginnings. It is also unfortunate that in Du Ve's account, there are no definite dates given, apart from the building of the Rosedale Hotel in 1858, and sometimes, in the description of incidents, names are omitted altogether. Nevertheless, both these records are very important sources of information.

The name of Du Ve first occurs in the King diaries in the record for the 19th. April, 1854, and then several times in the next few months, giving the impression that he was an associate, carrying out the more important missions, rather than a plain employee. Since Du Ve did not arrive in Australia until 1853, when he was 18 years old, we may take it that he was more of an apprentice squatter, or station manager, learning the trade and gaining experience. He would not have known Blind Joe, the shepherd, since Joe had gone off to the Ballarat gold fields, probably in 1851. Names that occur in these records, indicating that they were the first people to settle in Rosedale, are Old Jim Widdowson, Joe Threader (or Treader) and his wife, Sam the Snob, Tom Timms, and the Rowley family. There were probably a few others unknown by Du Ve, or forgotten by him when he wrote his story in 1910, more than half a century after the beginnings he describes. We know that George Rintoull, the blacksmith arrived in 1856, Paul Cansick, the first proprietor of the Rosedale Hotel, William Allen the builder, and Henry Luke the storekeeper in 1857, and that by the year 1860, Rosedale was a centre, third in importance in Gippsland to Port Albert and Sale. Before going on to the better documented era from the sixties onwards, let us tell the little we know about these early pioneers.

Blind Joe.

The first mention of Blind Joe and Blind Joe's Creek in the King diaries is in March, 1848, when the entries clearly indicate that he was a shepherd. Penrose Nevin's survey map of 1848 shows the Melbourne-Sale track running past Blind Joe's Hut, with the Port Albert track diverging south from that point. The Hut was approximately 150 yards due east of where the Roman Catholic Church now stands. We know nothing more of Blind Joe (not even his surname) other than he went off to the Ballarat gold fields in 1851, and disappeared from history.

James Widdowson, 1803-1884.

The Rosedale Cemetery records show that James Widdowson died in February, 1884, aged 80, so he was probably born in 1803, and was about 50 years old when he started to conduct his wayfarers' house at Rosedale in the early 1850's or possibly as early as 1849. Du Ve describes in detail the primitive accommodation offered, until "Old Jim" married, somewhat late in life, when his wife improved considerably the standard of his hostelry. There is no record in the diaries of his being employed at the Snake Ridge Run, but he may have been during the period of the gap in the diaries, 1850-1853. Sometimes he bought an animal from the Run, for he ran a small butchery business also, in conjunction with his hostelry, which became the Bridge Inn. In a sense, this man might well be called the founder of Rosedale.

Joe Threader (or Treader) and Mrs. Threader.

It has been said that the first white women to live at Rosedale were Mrs. Threader, Mrs. James Rintoull, and Mrs. George Rintoull, but Mrs. Threader may have preceded the others by two or three years. Joe Threader was a shepherd, possibly taking Blind Joe's place at the Rosedale sheep-fold in 1851. He and his wife had a wattle and daub hut where the Exchange Hotel now stands. The first mention of Joe Threader in the King diaries is in June, 1854 when it is recorded that rations were taken out to him at his shepherd's post. Both Joe and his wife died before 1872, the year when the Rosedale Cemetery Trust was established. However, in their first entries, the Trustees record that the two Treaders were buried in allotments IV and V.

Chapter 2 (cont.)      The Earliest Inhabitants of Rosedale.

Tom Timms.

From the scraps of information we can gather about this man we get the impression that he was a fine, conscientious, responsible and kindly person. He seems to have been employed at the Snake Ridge Run in a variety of occupations - as a shepherd, a maker of bricks, a builder and a gardener. Du Ve has this to say of him: "In those days, the traveller was guided into Rosedale after dark by the candle which always glimmered in the window of Tom Timb's house. Old Mr. Timbs used to keep the light twinkling in the window frame for the benefit of the benighted, until a reasonably late hour in the evening".

There is no record of the death of Tom Timms in the preliminary pages of the Cemetery Trust's records, but in the "Gippsland Times" for 3/3/1868, we found this tragic notice: "A poor man named Timms died in Rosedale on Saturday, after having suffered for nearly seven years from cancer. It began in the lip, spreading gradually to the cheek, tongue and throat. For many months, he has resembled a living skeleton". Death must have come as a merciful release to Tom Timms.

In the Cemetery records, there is an entry concerning the burial of Robert Timms (no age given) in September, 1876, and another of Charlotte Timms, 26/9/1909, aged 89 years. Charlotte, born in 1820, might have been the wife of Tom Timms, aged 48 when he died in 1868, and perhaps Robert was their son.

Sam the Snob.

Sam the Snob simply means Sam the Bootmaker, so we can assume that this man was one of Rosedale's earliest tradesman, a worker in leather. Du Ve mentions him, but only briefly, in a reference which reads: "In what is now the business locality of Prince Street, were the abodes of Sam the Snob, a man of reticent nature, looked upon as a bit of a mystery, and Old Joe Treader". In the pre-trustees records of the Cemetery, it is recorded that Sam and Rose Jones (?) are buried in Lot XI. Perhaps this refers to Sam the Snob and his wife, but even these early Cemetery Trustees were in some doubt as to what the correct surname was.

The Rowley Family.

The Rowley family has had perhaps the longest connection of any family with Rosedale, if we limit ourselves to the township itself. The name occurs in the King diaries first in July, 1848, and then quite frequently afterwards. A wife is mentioned, and two sons, Tommy and Johnny, both of whom were eventually employed on occasions at the Run. Rowley the father appears once as a shepherd, but then becomes mainly concerned with cartage, and in 1854 secured a contract for a year, carting for the Run, using two bullock teams.

From other sources, we learn that a John Rowley, born 1845, (probably the Johnny Rowley mentioned above) became a drover and a farmer, and eventually, in 1885, landlord of the Rosedale Hotel.

In the inquest on the death by drowning of the coach-driver, Stratton, at Rosedale, in the great flood of September, 1867, evidence was given that John Rowley was swept off his horse in a separate incident at the same time, but was saved by James Jenkins (a groom at the Rosedale Hotel) and another man, using a boat.

Perhaps the original Rowley, father of Johnny and Tommy, was Ted Rowley, for on the occasion of the murder of William Laughton by Nicol Brown in 1868, it was a drover of that name who rode from Shady Creek to Rosedale to get the police. The Cemetery records show the burial of E. H. Rowley (no age given) in December, 1874. Later entries concerning this family give the burial dates of William B. Rowley, 1880, aged 11 years; Elizabeth Boyd Rowley, 1901, aged 26 years; and John Rowley, 1922, aged 82 years. If this last entry concerns the same Johnny Rowley of the early years, it indicates that the birth-year was 1840, a discrepancy of five years from that given in another source, but more likely to be the correct one, if he was employed at the Ridge in 1854, at the age of 14 years, rather than at the age of nine years.

There are still members of the Rowley family living at Rosedale, making an unbroken connection with the town of 120 years or more.



Chapter 2 (continued)... The Early Inhabitants of Rosedale.

According to Du Ve, the Rowley family conducted the first store at Rosedale. He says: "Mr. John Rowley's father had a property adjoining the Widdowson's, and further down was Mr. James Rintoull's place. For the convenience of travellers and others, Mr. Rowley kept a stock of sundries which came in very useful at times. Tobacco (Barret's Twist) was ten shillings a pound; tea was 5/-; sugar 1/-; Blucher boots were £1 a pair, and a blue shirt was also £1. Flour was sixpence a pound. Rum was the universal drink, and had to be imported from either Flooding Creek (now Sale) or the Old Port (Port Albert). It was 10/- a bottle, and was generally bought by the couple so as to avoid the change from a £1 note." This little business must have been operating before 1857, the year when Henry Luke opened a much more pretentious establishment.

Other early identities mentioned by Du Ve are the following:

Billy Morris and Mr. William Watt.

"In those times, there were two great stock-dealers in these parts, Billy Morris, and Mr. William Watt. Billy Morris had a house situated in what is now the stable-yard of the Rosedale Hotel. It was a fair-sized, comfortable dwelling. It was purchased and demolished by Mr. Cansick when he built the hotel. As Mr. Morris dealt in cattle, so did Mr. Watt in horses. He was reckoned the best judge of a horse for many miles around, and he always had a good mount to lend to a friend. On the day he abjured bachelorhood, his bride, one of the prettiest of Rosedale girls, rode his pet mount "Blackie", the like of which for beauty and spirit is not to be found in present-day horse-flesh."

"Charlie Walker had a dairy just about where the old Port Road turned from the cemetery."

"Bill Munday was a retainer of the late Mr. Rowley."

John McMahon.

"John McMahon was the purveyor of beef. Mutton was not known in the land and very little fresh beef found its way to the table. As soon as the bullock was cut up, it went into the tub. Our old friend John had three tubs into which he sorted his meat. Customers who paid cash were supplied out of Tub No.1; customers who required credit got their beef out of Tub No.2; and those folk whose cash went more in the line of 'Old Jamaica' and who seldom paid their meat account, got their supply from Tub No. 3.

John McMahon established the first Sunday School ever held in Rosedale. It was adjoining the butcher's shop, in an old bark house which stood at the corner now occupied by Mr. George Rintoull's garden (that is, in 1910), and in it, the few callow Rosedaleites received their early religious education, uncared for by church authorities, but looked after by one who had a tender heart for the children."

"William Creighton, a bullock-driver, who had the mild contour of a bishop".

The "Gippsland Times" for the 9th. February, 1877, has this relevant item of news: "A very old and well-known resident, named Creighton, more familiarly known as 'Old Willie' met with an accident, and fractured his collar-bone. He is about the last of the old identities." The Cemetery records show that William Creighton died in January, 1878.

Peter, Joe and Billy Smith.

In the King diaries of 1854, we read of Peter Smith, Billy Smith Joe Smith, and then Peter Smith and family. There is no indication of whether these three were brothers or even relatives. Du Ve has this to say about one of the very early burials: "On the occasion of the burial of an old gentleman whose boast was that he had been the Governor's coachman before he 'lit in Victoria', his two sons were discussing the spot for the grave, when Peter said, 'We'll put him along o' Old Sam, then two ends and a side will fence him in'. Next to Old Sam, Dad lies to this day."

The pre-Trust Cemetery records show that the man buried next to Old Sam was called Smith, so, presumably, Du Ve's story refers to the burial of their father by Peter Smith and his brother.

However, the Smith story is a little confused, since there were others of this name who arrived a little later, in the 1860's.

Chapter 2 (continued)...Early Inhabitants of Rosedale.

Henry Luke.

In the Cyclopedia of Victoria (1903), there is a paragraph about a son of Henry Luke - Henry Alfred Luke, proprietor of the "Gippsland Mercury" Sale. It reads: "Henry Alfred Luke was born at Rosedale, 1859, the son of Henry Luke who, for a number of years, filled the offices of Coroner, Post-Master, and Justice of the Peace at Rosedale, and who owned considerable property there, including the Exchange Hotel and the Post Office Buildings. In 1872, he sold out his interests in Rosedale and moved to Sale, where he purchased the "Gippsland Mercury", which he managed himself, until 1883, when his son took over".

Henry Luke came to Rosedale in 1857 to open his general store, first in a modest building, but later in a two-story building. Du Ve writes: "When Mr. Henry Luke opened a store in Rosedale (replacing Rowleys' little shop), bushmen from as far as Moe and Scrubby Forest journeyed to Rosedale to see the reality, and found that half the wonders had not been told."

Henry Luke was not a member of the first Rosedale Road Board in 1869, but he was elected to the Board in the next year, 1870, and he was also a member of the first Rosedale Shire Council, 1871. To begin with, the Shire Offices consisted of two upstairs rooms in Henry Luke's store. In 1872 he left the Council to take up his new career of journalism, as owner-manager of the "Gippsland Mercury".

The drapery section of Luke's Rosedale Store was bought by John Green and Andrew Gay, who later, in 1878, opened a branch of the business in Tarwin Street, Morwell.

The early Gippsland papers have no mention of Rosedale, but from 1860 onwards there is a growing coverage. In April, 1860, there was an advertisement of a sale at Rosedale of the property of Samuel Jones, deceased, Intestate. Perhaps this refers to "Sam the Snob". If so, it confirms that his name was Jones, and that he died in 1860.

In May 1860, the "Gippsland Guardian", then published at Port Albert, carried an advertisement for a cook for Rosedale Hotel. In December, 1861, was reported the sudden death of James Warren of Rosedale, a young man in the employ of Henry Luke, storekeeper. By 1862, Henry Luke was advertising his store, in advertisements as big as for any other Gippsland business. As the Rosedale Postmaster, he was also publishing mail times.

Paul Cansick, 1823-1889.

Paul Cansick is one of the more important early citizens of Rosedale, since, soon after his arrival there in 1857, he saw that Rosedale must become an important staging-place on the Sale-Melbourne route, and had the Rosedale Hotel built, ready to start business in 1858. He knew that a bridge was to be built over the Latrobe River, replacing the old punt. The Rosedale Hotel, still quite a substantial building today, must have been very impressive in 1858, and a big lift to the prosperity and status of Rosedale. Ten years later, he gave up the hotel business to start a tannery business. In the issue for the 2nd. July, 1868, the "Gippsland Guardian" reported that, "Mr. Paul Cansick sold the first hide from his tannery to Mr. Ross, bootmaker, Rosedale, - the first leather tanned in Rosedale."

A headstone in the Rosedale Cemetery shows that Paul Cansick died 4/12/1889, aged 65 years, and that his wife, Margaret Salter Cansick died, the 30th. April, 1873, aged 42 years.

William Allen, 1829-1923.

William Allen will always be remembered as "The Great Builder". Almost to the last day of his long life of 94 years he went on building. He came to Rosedale in 1857, and starting with the Rosedale Hotel, 1858, proceeded to construct all the main edifices in Rosedale as well as many in other towns in the district. Places he constructed include the Rosedale Hotel, the Rosedale Tannery, the School, the Exchange Hotel, Henry Luke's Store, the Homestead at Nambrok, St. Mark's Church of England, the Presbyterian Church, and St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church. In Morwell, in 1907, he built what was then the most up-to-date store in the township, Green's Drapery Store, known as "The Iron House". A grandson of William Allen, Mr. Thomas Duck of Rosedale, has carried on the family's building tradition.

William Allen, died 22/12/1923, aged 94 years, and his wife, Mary Ann Allen, died 4/2/1884, aged 56 years, both lie buried in the Rosedale Cemetery.

Chapter 3. ... The Rosedale Cemetery.

It seems we are indebted to William Allen, 1828-1923, builder, for the methodical maintenance of the cemetery records from its earliest days. The Cemetery was officially established in 1872 and a Board of Trustees appointed, but we know that this plot of ground was used by the people of Rosedale and District as a burial place as early as 1860, when Sam Jones, the cobbler, or "Old Sam" was buried there, and probably earlier. There was no local, resident minister of religion, and no undertaker, so burials took place with little ceremony, and were often simply a family matter to be arranged as best as the family could manage with the assistance of friends. Naturally, the local builder was called upon to make a coffin, and soon he assumed the temporary character, as occasion demanded, of local undertaker. And so it was with William Allen, builder.

At first, no records at all were kept, and it would seem that, even for several years after the establishment of the Cemetery in 1872, no records were kept except in a haphazard or irregular way. It must have occurred to William Allen, about 1880, that something ought to be done about this, and in his own private book, he listed all the graves that he knew, identifying a few from the memorials erected, and possibly filling in some of the gaps in the records from his business files. Naturally enough, he made some errors. For example, he gives the date of William Creighton's burial as January, 1877, whereas we find from the "Gippsland Times" of the period, that this old resident broke his collar-bone in February, 1877, and from the record of death held at the Government Statist's Office, that he died 9th. July, 1877.

Let us reproduce first the original page of William Allen's records, in which he tried to list as many of the people buried there, before any records were made. Later, about 1880, he started again, recording old and new burials in alphabetical lists, and in chronological order in each list. We find, therefore, most of the names on the first page, repeated in their due order in this more complete and methodically kept, cemetery register.

The First Register.

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| Grave No. 1...Buntine                    | 40...Infant of Jas.Hickey,<br>herdsman.  |
| 2...H. Bunstane                          | 41...Child.  |
| 3...Old Tom (at Allen's)                 | 42...Mrs. Whitney  |
| 4...Mrs. Treader                         | 43...Thomas Rintoul  |
| 5...Joseph Treader.                      | 44-49 -----  |
| 6...Conaty (a policeman)                 | 50...John Cairns.  |
| 7...Mrs. Lear.                           | 51 -----   |
| 8...Man killed at Cutting                | 52...Mrs. Sinnbeck.  |
| 9 -----                                  | 53-57 -----  |
| 10...Smith                               | 58...Joseph White.   |
| 11...Sam and Rose Jones.                 | 59...Mary Young (1872) 19 years.   |
| 12...Neil Weir and daughter.             | 60...Infant, Sinnbeck.   |
| 13-14 -----                              | 61-68 -----  |
| 15...Mrs. Faram.                         | 69...Bain (1883)   |
| 16...Allen and Philippe.                 | 70...John Smith  |
| 17...William Creighton.                  | 71 -----   |
| 18...Mrs. Howells.                       | 72...Mr. H. Spencer  |
| 19...Handley's Sister's Child.           | 73...Mary Jane Mooney  |
| 20-22 -----                              | 74-81 -----  |
| 23...Donovan.                            | 82...James Brown's child.  |
| 24...Ferguson (Glenmaggie)               | 83-86 -----  |
| 25...Killed on Railway.                  | 87...C. E. Bayne's infant.   |
| 26...Langley Osler (1876)                | 88-89...-----  |
| 27...Manton C. Flynn.                    | 90...William Watts.  |
| 28...John Wright Sen.<br>(Flynn's Creek) | 91-92 -----  |
| 29...G. Gardiner.                        | 93...Clara Ludley and child,<br>(Adeline Susan).   |
| 30...A. McLachlan (1877)                 | 94...Child.  |
| 31...J. Warde.                           | 95...J.W.Beattie's child.  |
| 32-34 -----                              | 96-97 -----  |
| 35...Katy Jones (supposed)               | 98...Fanny G. Deakin   |
| 36...Mrs. Slater                         | 99 -----   |
| 37...Killed, Railway,<br>Flynn's Creek)  | 100...Roper Wilson   |
| 38...Rowley                              | 101...Caroline McCarthy (1880) and<br>Emily McCarthy (1902), wives<br>of James McCarthy. |
| 39...J. Hickey; Mrs. Hickey.             |  |



Nos. 102-104 -----	130.... - Young.
105.... H. Ashford.	131-132 -----
106 -----	133.... Charles Chown;
107.... Thomas R. Butterworth.	Alice M. Chown.
108-118 -----	134.... Robert Ellis Spong (infant)
119.... Ellen Stammers.	135.... Mrs. G. Stagg.
120.... John Brown's child.	136.... John Wilson.
121-122 -----	137.... Thomas Hayes.
123.... Mrs. Waters.	138 -----
124.... David Regan's child.	139.... Adeline Williamson.
125 -----	140.... Adam Thoburne's child.
126.... Henrietta Dawson	141.... R. Young.
127-129. -----	

### The Alphabetical Register.

#### A.

June, 1877.. Maurice Allen.  
 June, 1880.. Henry Ashford.  
 July, 1882.. Jonathan Anderson.  
 16/ 2/1884.. Mary Ann Allen.....56 yrs.  
 12/ 1/1890.. Frederick Andrews..18 yrs.  
 9/ 2/1890.. Ah Lee (killed at Nambrolc)  
 11/ 9/1890.. Mary Ann Austin....40 yrs.  
 18/ 9/1893.. Ethel Mary Arthur..2 days.  
 22/10/1893.. William Adams.....56 yrs.  
 29/1/ 1894.. Agnes Bridget  
                   Arthur..... 5 yrs.  
 17/ 3/1894.. Thomas Arthur.....6 yrs.  
 17/12/1897.. Mrs. Ayres.....78 yrs.  
 26/ 5/1911.. Janet Anderson.....54 yrs.  
 -----.. Jane Alexander.....--  
 1/ 2/1919.. Joseph Jefferson  
                   Ayres..... 5 yrs.  
 31/ 7/1919.. William Anderson....--  
 1/11/1920.. Laura Anderson.....74 yrs.  
 7/12/1920.. Alexander Allen....98 yrs.  
 25/ 1/1921.. Arthur Henry  
                   Roddan Anderson.----  
 7/12/1922.. Thomas Roddan  
                   Anderson.88 yrs.  
 22/12/1923.. William Allen.....95 yrs.  
 25/ 1/1930.. William Anderson...89 yrs.  
 29/ 1/1932.. Sarah Sida  
                   Anderson....--  
 12/ 8/1934.. Herbert Henry Allen..67.  
 1/ 2/1938.. Anastasia Allen....--  
 27/ 6/1938.. John Henry Robert  
                   Roddan Anderson.49 yrs.  
 6/ 3/1939.. William Ayres,.....89 yrs.  
 8/11/1940.. Wm. Arthur Allen...80 yrs.  
 9/ 2/1947.. Elizabeth Priscilla  
                   Roddan Anderson.80 yrs.  
 14/10/1951.. Ronald James Ayres.15 yrs.  
 6/ 7/1953.. Margaret Allen,.....84 yrs.  
 2/ 1/1957.. Joseph Ayres.....82 yrs.  
 9/ 9/1961.. Harry Roddan  
                   Anderson.....94 yrs.  
 16/ 7/1962.. Mary Jane Ayres,....--  
 18/10/1960.. Walter Andrews,.....77 yrs.  
 27/12/1963.. Emily Mary Ann  
                   Katherine Andrews,78 yrs.  
 10/ 6/1964.. Wm. Edwin Allen....69 yrs.

#### B

7/ 6/1867.. Hugh Buntine.....63 yrs.  
 May, 1875.. Laura J. Beattie,....--  
 May, 1875.. Alice M. Beattie,....--  
 March, 1877.. Jessie Beattie, ...--  
 June, 1878.. Daniel Barnett, ...32 yrs.  
 Pct, 1878.. J. Boram,..... 2 yrs.  
 Feb, 1882.. Anne Beattie,..... --  
 Feb. 1882.. Thomas Butterworth. --  
 March, 1882.. - Baynes (infant).  
 March, 1883.. Ethel Baker,...(infant).  
 April, 1883.. Joseph Bain,.....60 yrs.  
 24/ 8/1883.. Georgina Beattie,....--  
 Sept, 1884.. J. M. Birkeley, infant.  
 Jan. 1885.. Archie Albert Baker, infant.  
 August, 1885.. Geraldine Brown,..19 yrs.  
 29/ 3/1889.. Margaret Bissell,....--  
 20/ 4/1890.. Joseph Frank  
                   Butterworth.70 yrs.  
 20/ 4/1891.. John Victor Bourke,49 yrs.  
                   (removed to St.Kilda).  
 12/ 1/1892.. George W. Bissett,..32 yrs.  
 27/ 2/1893.. Louisa Ann  
                   Butterworth,..64 yrs.  
 19/ 7/1895.. Reburial.. Julia Costella  
                   Brown, died 8/4/1860,  
                   aged 30 yrs (Shady Creek).  
                   Reburial, Isabella Brown,  
                   died 3/12/1860, aged  
                   4 yrs. (Shady Creek).  
 9/ 8/1896.. Margaret Boram,....52 yrs.  
 25/ 8/1900.. Elizabeth Foley  
                   Buntine.....64 yrs.  
 17/ 4/1902.. Percy John Bateson.14 yrs.  
 14/ 1/1903.. Josiah Albert  
                   Bateson..75 yrs.  
 1/ 6/1904.. Elizabeth Bilson...69 yrs.  
 6/ 6/1904.. Henry Bunston.....84 yrs.  
 19/ 5/1905.. Enoch Bolger..... 8 yrs.  
 25/ 6/1906.. William Bell.....--  
 10/ 8/1909.. Annie Bain.....82 yrs.  
 3/ 7/1910.. Jeremiah Berkery...78 yrs.  
 -----Buntine (old grave)  
 -----Bunstan (old grave)  
 19/ 6/1913.. John Billson.....--  
 19/ 4/1915.. Con Boram.....--  
 -----Barker Sen.....90 yrs.  
 -----Mrs. Bosisto .....--  
 30/12/1915.. James Dare Devlin  
                   Bowman.....infant.

14/ 4/1916..Darius Bouscarle,..85 yrs. 22/ 5/1930..John Cairns,.....66 yrs.  
 13/12/1919..James Boram,.....94 yrs. 9/ 6/1940..William Chown,....78 yrs.  
 14/ 4/1920..Catherine E.Barry,35 yrs. 9/11/1941..Eliza Chown,.....76 yrs.  
 May, 1921..Mary E. Birkery,....  
 3/ 4/1923..Daniel T.Birkery,..49 yrs. 27/ 7/1942..Matilda Clues,....80 yrs.  
 26/ 2/1925..Phyllis E.Bunston,6 mths. 26/ 2/1954..Emily C.E.Chown,..83 yrs.

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D.

21/ 4/1875..Grace Du Ve,..... 2 yrs.  
 June, 1875..Mrs.Helen Dunne,..25 yrs.  
 May, 1877..Annie H. Dixon,....  
 May, 1881..Frederick Dove,..infant.  
 May, 1882..Henrietta Dawson,....  
 Aug. 1882..Fanny Deakin,.....  
 Aug. 1883..Mrs. Dawson,.....  
 Sept. 1883..Charles R. Dove,....  
 May, 1884..John Deakin,.....58 yrs.  
 Nov. 1886..Henry F. Disher,..infant.  
 -----Harry Disher,..... 2 yrs.  
 April,1887..Hannah Davidson,..80 yrs.  
 19/ 6/1891..Samuel R.Dawson,..57 yrs.  
 11/12/1895..Ruth Dyer,.....38 yrs.  
 14/ 6/1897..Eva M. Davis,.....18 yrs.  
 9/ 7/1897..Marguerite Disher, 9 yrs.  
 25/ 1/1900..Emily J. Dobbin,..34 yrs.  
 20/ 7/1900..Newton F. Dyce,.. 6 yrs.  
 21/ 6/1904..John Donovan,.....71 yrs.  
 May, 1908..Benjamin Davis,..56 yrs.  
 12/ 9/1913..Alfred J. Darling,....  
 3/ 1/1915..Agnes Du Ve,.....69 yrs.  
 31/ 8/1915..Charles I. Du Ve,..79 yrs.  
 15/12/1917..Esther Davis,.....  
 3/10/1921..Olive I. Doolan,....  
 7/11/1922..James Doolan,.....  
 2/ 9/1922..Helen Drummond,....  
 5/12/1925..Christina Deakin,....  
 9/ 9/1932..Elizabeth Doolan,....  
 3/ 2/1935..Jane Duck,.....78 yrs.  
 2/10/1937..Charles H.Daniell,....  
 2/ 7/1943..Baby Davidson,....  
 12/ 9/1945..John T. Darling,..43 yrs.  
 10/ 3/1952..Thomas Duck,.....89 yrs.  
 20/ 2/1962..Elizabeth Darling,81 yrs.

## C.

26/ 2/1873..Mrs. Coleman,.....  
 May, 1873..Mrs. Cansick,.....42 yrs.  
 August,1873..Mary Cochrane,....  
 8/11/1873..Letitia Cullen,....  
 Aug. 1876..Mrs. Carey,.....  
 Jan. 1877..William Creighton,....  
 Jan. 1879..John Curtaine,....  
 Feb. 1879..John Cairns,.....  
 June, 1879..Alice M. Chown,....  
 Feb. 1883..Thomas Costello,..28 yrs.  
 Oct. 1888..Geoffrey Cunningham --  
 12/ 1/1889..Richard H.Clulow,..19 yrs.  
 12/ 8/1889..Charles Cullen,..62 yrs.  
 16/12/1889..Paul Cansick,.....65 yrs.  
 2/ 5/1890..Wm. Hy. Canfield,..2 days.  
 20/11/1890..Robert Clulow,..47 yrs.  
 19/11/1891..Wm. E.H. Cox,..... 6 yrs.  
 30/11/1891..Edwin Cox,.....74 yrs.  
 3/ 2/1892..Fanny Chappel,....81 yrs.  
 19/ 1/1895..Robert Crocker,..79 yrs.  
 10/ 7/1895..Elizabeth Cairns,..74 yrs.  
 8/11/1895..Alex R. Craig,..82 yrs.  
 2/ 3/1897..Charles Chown,....69 yrs.  
 2/ 9/1904..Wm. Baden Cox,.... 4 yrs.  
 Aug. 1907..Rebecca Cox,.....86 yrs.  
 Feb. 1909..James Crockett,..62 yrs.  
 Nov. 1903..Jane Chown,.....35 yrs.  
 13/10/1893..Lewis T.Crocker,..80 yrs.  
 --old---- Conaty (Policeman) ----  
 --old---- Chown,.....  
 30/ 4/1923..Thomas J.Clues,..70 yrs.  
 12/10/1925..Gladys K.Cairns,..

## E.

31/ 8/1910..Noreen Ebeling,..86 yrs.  
 2/ 5/1911..Georgina Evans,..76 yrs.  
 6/ 1/1929..Minnie E.Eason,....

## F.

8/ 9/1875..Wm. Robt. Farley,..75 yrs.  
 Oct. 1875..Lawrence Farrell,....  
 July,1876..Mary O'Malley Flynn,53 yrs.  
 April,1878:-- Feeley, (infant)  
 June,1879:-- Feeley, (infant)  
 27/10/1881..A. Feast,.....  
 May, 1883..Mrs. Feeley,.....  
 30/ 5/1893..Josephine Filston,--  
 4/ 7/1894..Margaret Fryatt,..84 yrs.  
 13/ 7/1896..Alice W.Farrell,.. 7 yrs.  
 30/ 3/1899..John Fryatt,.....85 yrs.  
 15/ 8/1900..Elizabeth Foley,..64 yrs.  
 28/ 3/1901..Frances Faulkner,4 mths.  
 26/ 2/1903..Jas. Wm. Farrell,24 yrs.  
 May, 1908..Elizabeth Freeman,82 yrs.  
 --old----Mrs. Faram,.....

--old-- ..Ferguson (Glenmaggie) --

17/ 8/1911..John Farrell, ....  
 26/10/1911..John Fryatt,.....  
 30/12/1911..Mrs. Finnerty,.....  
 3/12/1912..Mary E. Farley....5 hrs.  
 25/ 6/1913..Mary Farrell,.....  
 19/12/1914..Fanny Farrell,.....  
 4/12/1918..Richard R.Farley,....  
 21/11/1919..Michael E.Farrell,34 yrs.  
 29/ 1/1920..John Fawkes,.....73 yrs.  
 15/ 7/1920..Ellen Farley,.....42 yrs.  
 28/ 4/1921..Jessie Farmer,.....  
 8/ 5/1922..Henry Fixter,.....  
 27/ 9/1923..Thos.Jos.Farrell,....  
 17/12/1923..Ruby V. Farley,...32 yrs.  
 21/ 6/1924..James Farley,.....72 yrs.  
 15/ 7/1925..William Farley,...70 yrs.  
 31/ 8/1925..Charles Farley,....  
 17/10/1925..Susan Fixter,.....76 yrs.  
 29/ 4/1926..Myrtle I.Farley,...13 yrs.  
 29/ 7/1929..Isaac Fawkes,.....26 yrs.  
 27/ 8/1930..Robert Fryatt,.....  
 29/ 3/1930..Robert Farley,....66 yrs.  
 20/ 7/1932..Michael Farley,...78 yrs.  
 6/ 8/1933..Rose Fryatt,.....  
 April,1923..Ann M. Fawkes,.....  
 20/10/1934..Percy M. Farley,...42 yrs.  
 2/ 3/1936..Robert J.Fleming,..17 yrs.  
 30/ 7/1936..Mabel I. Farley,...50 yrs.  
 10/ 7/1936..James Fryatt,.....96 yrs.  
 9/ 4/1938..Vera Farley,.....  
 5/ 5/1939..Alison G.Fryatt,...36 yrs.  
 25/ 7/1940..Meryl M. Farley,...1½ yrs.  
 28/ 8/1940..Elizabeth Farley,..78 yrs.  
 13/ 9/1943..Charles E.Farley,..59 yrs.  
 25/ 9/1946..Leslie E. Farley,..41 yrs.  
 21/12/1946..John Leon Farley,..38 yrs.  
 1/ 8/1947..Madeleine Farley,....  
 28/ 8/1947..Martha Farley,....  
 19/ 9/1947..Thomas Fleming,....  
 24/10/1947..Doris Jean Farley,33 yrs.  
 15/ 1/1948..Thelma Fleming,...5 days.  
 20/10/1948..Wm. John Farley,...62 yrs.  
 1/ 8/1949..Newton R.Farley,...48 yrs.  
 4/12/1950..Elma I. Farley,...47 yrs.  
 31/12/1952..Alex M. Farley,...63 yrs.  
 12/ 7/1956..Mary Jane Fleming,77 yrs.

## G.

June, 1875..Albert Ed.Green,....  
 Nov, 1876..George Gardiner,....  
 Aug. 1884..Emma Graham,.....14 yrs.  
 3/ 5/1888..Eleanor Green,....39 yrs.  
 12/ 6/1892..James Gray,.....84 yrs.  
 27/12/1906..Robt.Jas. Graham,....  
 12/10/1914..M. Graham,.....  
 15/12/1917..Margaret Gilmour,....  
 15/12/1907..Mrs. J. Grace,....  
 26/ 3/1918..Wm.Russell Graham,....  
 28/ 5/1918..Margaret Graham,....  
 10/ 7/1919..John Green,.....  
 22/12/1927..William Graham,....  
 9/ 8/1928.. John Jas.Graham,..68 yrs.  
 6/ 3/1935..James F. Graham,..26 yrs.  
 18/ 7/1940..Mary Alice Graham,....  
 17/10/1942..Dorothea Graham,..75 yrs.  
 9/ 4/1943..Baby Glover,.....  
 15/10/1946..Henry R. Graham,....

## H.

26/ 2/1873..W. K. Howard,.....  
 May, 1875..Mrs. J. Hickey,....32 yrs.  
 Aug. 1875..Infant Hickey,.....  
 June, 1877..Mary Ann Howells,..74 yrs.  
 Feb, 1878..Thomas Hayes,.....  
 Aug. 1883..Clara J. Henry, infant.  
 Aug. 1884..James Hickey,.....68 yrs.  
 Oct. 1885..Samuel Hill,.....65 yrs.  
 July, 1886..Amy A. Holliston,...13 yrs.  
 4/ 1/1887..James Hunter,.....53 yrs.  
 13/12/1889..Dudley G.B.Hinde,.. 3 yrs.  
 9/ 1/1890..Margaret Holder,..33 yrs.  
 16/ 1/1891..John Henderson,....78 yrs.  
 5/ 4/1894..Edwin J.Harkness,..2 days.  
 23/11/1894..Charles Hughes,....27 yrs.  
 29/ 3/1896..Agnes Hallett .....76 yrs.  
 (Mrs. Buntine)  
 25/ 1/1901..Muriel H.M.Harrop,..7½ yrs.  
 1/ 6/1904..Elizabeth Holt,....72 yrs.  
 April,1907..Roy Hillman,.....  
 March,1908..Fairly G. Hobbs,...65 yrs.  
 June, 1909..George Holt,.....78 yrs.  
 -old-----Handley's Sister's child.  
 30/12/1911..John Hickey,.....  
 13/ 3/1913..John Henderson,....  
 14/ 2/1921..Margaret Hurren,...72 yrs.  
 13/ 6/1922..George P.Hurren,...77 yrs.  
 4/ 5/1926..Letitia Hillman,...48 yrs.  
 29/ 4/1930..Eliza Holston,.....  
 4/ 8/1930..Lena May Hobson,...10 yrs.  
 23/11/1933..George Harrap,.....76 yrs.  
 5/ 2/1934..Percival W.Hobson,..56 yrs.  
 15/ 5/1934..Keith Hodgkinson,..infant.  
 2/11/1934..John W.W.Henderson,47 yrs.  
 4/ 3/1936..Caroline Hillman,....  
 9/10/1937..John Hillman,.....  
 8/11/1939..Mary Annie Hair,...84 yrs.  
 11/ 5/1943..William Hair,.....88 yrs.  
 13/11/1943..Flossie Holt,.....75 yrs.  
 18/12/1943..Louise Rose Holt,..85 yrs.  
 15/ 1/1945..Rosanna Harrap,....78 yrs.  
 16/ 7/1945..Lillian Henderson,..87 yrs.  
 20/ 2/1948..Everard H.Hillman,..65 yrs.  
 4/ 1/1958..Winifred Holloway,..68 yrs.  
 26/ 4/1962..Arthur T.P.Hall,...85 yrs.  
 1962..William Holloway,....

## I. J.

21/ 9/1880..Walter E. Ingle,...2 mths.  
 26/ 9/1880..Thomas W. Ingle....2 mths.  
 19/11/1891..Edward P.Inman,...3 mths.  
 15/ 6/1891..Daisy Ingle,.....  
 23/ 5/1890..Infant, Inman,.....1 day.  
 26/12/1905..Mary Agnes Izod,...56 yrs.  
 9/ 3/1917..Jane Ingle,.....  
 9/ 8/1917..Percy Ingle, infant.  
 15/ 2/1926..Elizabeth J.Ingle,..75 yrs.  
 3/10/1928..Walter H. Ingle,....  
 11/ 9/1928..Frank H. Ingle,....83 yrs.  
 24/ 6/1933..Harry H. Ingle,....82 yrs.  
 28/12/1963..Olive A. M. Ingle,..70 yrs.  
 Feb, 1874..Arnold E. Jones,....  
 8/ 5/1898..Norman Johnstone,.. 1 yr.  
 -old-----Kitty Jones,.....  
 16/12/1915..Ethel Johnson,.....  
 4/ 4/1931..Lauritz Johnson,....  
 18/11/1944..Michael J.Jarrett,....  
 15/ 8/1960..Lester N.Jeffries,..66 yrs.  
 18/ 4/1962..Lauritz Johnson....95 yrs.



K.

12/ 1/1872..Wm.Essington King, 8 days.  
 Aug. 1874..Essington H.King,..9 days.  
 6/ 3/1901..Ellen M. Kenevan,..3 yrs.  
 Feb. 1909..Henry F. Kleine,..14 days.  
 15/ 4/1910..Letitia Kemp,.... ---  
 12/ 7/1915..William Kemp,.... ---  
 ----- ..Mrs. C. F. Kleine, ---  
 6/ 2/1918..Mrs. M. Kleine,.... ---  
 15/ 7/1920..Charles F.Kleine,.... ---  
 23/ 7/1924..Mary Ellen Kelly,..53 yrs.  
 23/ 6/1930..Michael J.Kelly,..69 yrs.  
 3/ 1/1959..Thomas King,..... ---  
 18/ 5/1958..Philip Koylowski,.. 1 yr.  
 13/ 8/1959..Jefiniya Kuznecow,87 yrs.

L.

March,1875..John Little,..... ---  
 June, 1882..John Lambe,.....86 yrs.  
 7/11/1882..Clara Ludley,.....26 yrs.  
 May, 1883..Adeline S.Ludley,.. 1 yr.  
 23/12/1889..Frank Liardet,....67 yrs.  
 23/ 4/1890..Ann Liardet,.....73 yrs.  
 18/ 2/1892..James S.Lunney,..4 mths.  
 28/10/1900..John Linford,.....5 mths.  
 18/ 9/1901..Mary Ann Lunney,..52 yrs.  
 23/ 9/1902..John B. Lunney,..69 yrs.  
 June, 1908..Samuel Linford,..53 yrs.  
 -old----- ..Mrs. Lear,..... ---  
 15/ 8/1913..Capt. J. Lumsden,.... ---  
 27/10/1929..Harry E.Lawrence,.... ---  
 29/ 7/1933..Ellen E.Linford,..44 yrs.  
 19/10/1939..Martha Linford,.... ---  
 3/10/1940..Margaret E.Lehan,..48 yrs.  
 12/ 9/1944..John B. Lunney,.... ---  
 25/11/1945..George Lawrence,..79 yrs.  
 27/ 9/1956..Joseph A.Laity,..66 yrs.  
 17/12/1957..Ann N. Lambert,.... ---

M.

April,1882..Mary J. Mooney,.... ---  
 23/ 5/1885..Mrs. Maloney,.....75 yrs.  
 April,1885..Richard Marnell,..71 yrs.  
 July, 1887..William Morrisy,.... ---  
 Aug. 1888..Margaret Macreadie,---  
 Aug. 1888..Sarah Macreadie,.... ---  
 April,1886..Ethel M. Mathews,..21 yrs.  
 27/12/1891..Andrew Moody,.....85 yrs.  
 15/ 5/1892..Bridget Moody,..53 yrs.  
 6/10/1892..John Muir,.....56 yrs.  
 1/ 3/1894..Laura J. Mooney,..19 yrs.  
 20/ 3/1894..James Marnell,..32 yrs.  
 Nov. 1894..Isabella Mooney,..41 yrs.  
 17/ 2/1896..Elsie A. Moore,..2 mths.  
 8/ 7/1896..Alice M. Moore,..3 yrs.  
 14/ 7/1896..Pauline Myers,..48 yrs.  
 25/ 6/1897..Richard Marnell,..24 yrs.  
 10/ 1/1899..Vida E. Mast,.....5 mths.  
 24/ 3/1900..Patrick Murren,..65 yrs.  
 25/ 5/1906..Jane B.Macreadie,..48 yrs.  
 18/12/1906..James Mooney,..... ---  
 25/ 2/1907..Alice Murfett,...infant.  
 -old----- ..Man Killed Cutting, ---  
 -old----- ..Man Killed Rlwy Con. ---  
 -old----- ..Martin,..... ---  
 -old----- ..Man Killed Flynn Rlwy, ---  
 10/ 7/1913..Mary Murren,..... ---

29/ 2/1915..Anastasia Marnell,.. ---  
 2/10/1917..James Mooney,..... ---  
 12/10/1918..Wm. E. Murren,..... ---  
 13/ 3/1920..Jas. Wm. Murfett,.. ---  
 6/ 8/1923..Margaret Murren,..50 yrs.  
 10/11/1923..Ann Murren,.. ---  
 2/ 7/1924..Thomas Murren,..66 yrs.  
 9/ 4/1927..Robert Macreadie,.... ---  
 7/12/1928..Lewis Martin,.....51 yrs.  
 26/ 5/1930..Michael Mooney,..86 yrs.  
 18/ 1/1934..Sylvester G.Mooney,..50 yrs.  
 7/ 3/1934..Peter Mooney,.....infant.  
 7/ 4/1934..Johanna Murren,..70 yrs.  
 15/10/1935..Rev.Robert Mitchell,87 yrs.  
 24/ 6/1941..Margaret E.Mitchell,75 yrs.  
 19/ 9/1935.....Mooney,.....infant.  
 23/ 1/1936..Jane Murren,..... ---  
 14/ 2/1937..Alexander Mewha,..77 yrs.  
 7/10/1938..Patrick Murren,.... ---  
 12/ 5/1939..Michael Murren,.... ---  
 16/ 2/1940..Doris L. Mooney,..38 yrs.  
 Infant  
 9/ 9/1941..Dugald Michael,.....88 yrs.  
 19/12/1943..Mary Marnell,.....78 yrs.  
 9/ 2/1944..Thomas P. Mooney,..78 yrs.  
 4/ 6/1944..Eliza Kate Mooney,..70 yrs.  
 25/ 1/1945..Ann Mooney,..... ---  
 12/11/1950..Vera I. Macreadie,..41 yrs.  
 21/ 7/1952..Maria E. Mewha,.....78 yrs.  
 12/ 7/1954..Mrs. Paul Mooney,..65 yrs.  
 6/ 8/1954..Maurice P. Mooney,..42 yrs.  
 1/ 6/1955..John Murfett,.....85 yrs.  
 14/10/1955..Paul Duncan Mooney,.... ---  
 5/10/1952..Christopher D.Mowat,..2 yrs.  
 12/ 6/1959..Percy E.Macreadie,..64 yrs.  
 23/11/1962..Ernest J. Morrison,..45 yrs.  
 27/ 9/1963..Marie Joy Mowat,..3 days.  
 11/ 7/1964..Charles J.Macreadie,83 yrs.

Mc.

June, 1873..Adam McPhee,.....infant.  
 Aug. 1877..Archibald McLachlan, ---  
 July, 1880..Caroline McCarthy,.. ---  
 Oct. 1881.....McLean,.....infant.  
 Dec. 1883..Hugh McMillan,..... ---  
 27/10/1902..Emily M.McCarthy,..26 yrs.  
 25/10/1903..Mary Jane McComb,..57 yrs.  
 20/ 9/1905..Henry Miller,.....75 yrs.  
 26/ 2/1906..Mary Miller,..... ---  
 11/10/1916..Hugh McDonald,..... ---  
 6/ 2/1918..James McCarthy,.... ---  
 20/ 9/1927..Emily McCarthy,.... ---  
 19/ 8/1920..Allen D. McMinn,..3 yrs.  
 6/ 5/1938..Clarice V. McMinn,..41 yrs.  
 5/ 9/1947..Elizabeth McDonald,..79 yrs.  
 22/ 9/1951..Daisy M.McConville,..57 yrs.  
 31/ 8/1962..Alexander McDonald,..72 yrs.  
 3/ 7/1964..Hector D. McDonald,..56 yrs.

N.

Nov. 1886..Alicia Nixon,.....46 yrs.  
 12/ 8/1894..Margaret Nine,.....62 yrs.  
 20/ 8/1906..Poa Nine,.....82 yrs.

O. P. Q.

17/ 5/1868..Patrick O'Brien,..19 yrs.  
 Aug. 1876..Langley Osler,....----  
 June, 1884..Tim O'Connor,....----  
 March,1893..Annie M. O'Connor,22 yrs.  
 16/12/1897..Mary O'Connor,....78 yrs.  
 24/ 5/1900..William O'Brien,..55 yrs.  
 18/ 9/1903..Daniel O'Connor,..45 yrs.  
 -old-----..Old John (from Wrights)-  
 13/ 4/1932..Charles J. O'Connor,--  
 2/ 6/1933..Sarah O'Hanlan,....----

Aug. 1880..John T. Pyke,.....75 yrs.  
 Oct. 1883..Alfred Philippe,..----  
 17/ 2/1890..Frederick Portch,..12 yrs.  
 8/11/1892..Fritz Piera,.....62 yrs.  
 24/ 2/1897..Alfred Punch,.....6 mths.  
 10/ 6/1899..Albert V.Punch,.. 4 yrs.  
 22/11/1901..Percival S. Punch,---  
 18/ 3/1909..Enoch Portch,.....79 yrs.  
 10/12/1909..Sarah Piera,.....68 yrs.  
 10/12/1909..John Piera.....40 yrs.  
 10/11/1910..Mary Ellen Portch, 8 yrs.  
 13/ 4/1911..Thomas Portch,....48 yrs.  
 15/ 8/1913..Harold Phelan,....----  
 20/12/1917..Mary Portch,.....----  
 26/ 1/1920..Nancy Rose Portch, 1 yr.  
 19/ 3/1927..Isaac Pendlebury,---  
 23/ 2/1933..Octavia Pearce,....----  
 -----..James Pearce,.....87 yrs.

July, 1881..Margaret Quinn and  
 stillborn child....----

R.

Dec. 1874..E. H. Rowley,.....----  
 April,1875..William E. Riley,---  
 April,1877..Philip E. Rintoul, 1 yr.  
 Aug. 1877..Elsie L. Rintoul,.. 3 yrs.  
 Aug. 1877..Walter T. Rintoul, 4 yrs.  
 May, 1875..G. Robinson,..... 1 day.  
 April,1878..--Rice,.....infant.  
 April,1878..Angelina Regan,....----  
 April,1878..--Regan,.....infant.  
 Aug. 1880..William B.Rowley,..11 yrs.  
 April,1881..Mrs. Riley,.....----  
 Oct. 1882..David Regan,.....43 yrs.  
 Dec. 1882..George Ross,.....56 yrs.  
 14/ 2/1885..James Rintoul,....75 yrs.  
 13/ 1/1888..Mary Robinson,....2 mths.  
 9/ 1/1889..John F.Robinson,..47 yrs.  
 5/ 5/1890..John L.Rintoul,..32 yrs.  
 10/ 5/1890..Winifred Rintoul,.. 1 yr.  
 31/ 3/1891..Frances Ritucia,.. 4 yrs.  
 14/10/1892..Mary Rodway,.....1 yr.  
 12/ 1/1894..Arthur R.Ridgeway,..5 yrs.  
 24/ 4/1894..Olga B. Ross,.....9mths.  
 4/12/1895..John Rice,..... 6 yrs.  
 9/ 6/1896..Alice Rintoul,....77 yrs.  
 23/ 7/1896..George Rintoul,..80 yrs.  
 13/ 6/1897..Thomas Richardson,42 yrs.  
 6/ 6/1897..Cath'ne Richardson,75 yrs.  
 26/ 6/1897..Henry Richards,..52 yrs.  
 18/ 7/1897..Amy Emma Rice,....18 yrs.  
 21/ 7/1897..Lilian Ross,.....infant.  
 18/ 8/1897..Amy E. Rintoul,..52 yrs.  
 1/10/1899..Henry Rintoul,..80 yrs.  
 Dec. 1899..Harry S.Ridgeway,..10 yrs.

Sept. 1900..Percy D.Robinson, 9 yrs .  
 2/10/1901..Elizabeth B.Rowley,26 yrs.  
 19/ 3/1903..Jack Reed,.....11 yrs.  
 3/ 7/1903..Annie Robinson,....20 yrs.  
 16/ 5/1906..Charles Rice,.....22 yrs.  
 1/ 5/1910..Agnes Rintoul,.....77 yrs.  
 April,1885..Florence Robinson,.. 2 yrs.  
 26/ 6/1889..Walter H. Robinson, 8 yrs.  
 1/10/1911..Alfred Richardson,---  
 25/ 1/1912..Jessie Robinson,..54 yrs.  
 22/12/1912..Mary Rintoull,.....87 yrs.  
 17/ 7/1913..James Richardson,---  
 2/ 5/1915..Thos.Peter Rintoul,---  
 9/ 8/1917..Jessie Rowley,.....----  
 15/12/1917..Sarah Rowley,.....----  
 5/ 4/1919..Martha L. Ross,....53 yrs.  
 22/ 5/1919..Margaret Jane Reed,---  
 25/ 1/1920..Frank H.Robinson,..71 yrs.  
 7/ 8/1920..Clifford Robinson,..20 yrs.  
 3/ 9/1920..Ellen Reed,.....61 yrs.  
 25/ 3/1922..John Rowley,.....82 yrs.  
 19/ 9/1922..George Wm. Ross,....----  
 16/11/1922..Catherine Regan,....----  
 5/ 7/1924..H.E.P.D. Robinson,..73 yrs.  
 6/ 3/1926..Ella Isobel Rowley, 7 yrs.  
 26/ 1/1933..William Reed,.....62 yrs.  
 20/ 4/1933..John Wm. Reed,.....69 yrs.  
 20/10/1934..James Ridgeway,....86 yrs.  
 26/10/1934..Ann Ridgeway,.....----  
 12/ 2/1935..Angus Rintoul,.....53 yrs.  
 22/ 9/1936..-- Regan,(stillborn)---  
 11/ 7/1938..Robert Perry Rice,..78 yrs.  
 28/ 4/1940..Thos.Chas. Rowley,..69 yrs.  
 29/ 9/1940..William Rice,.....87 yrs.  
 2/ 3/1943..Archibald Rintoul,..57 yrs.  
 23/ 8/1943..John Regan,.....83 yrs.  
 30/ 5/1944..Clara E. Rowley,..71 yrs.  
 18/ 4/1945..Cecilia Rice,.....----  
 26/ 8/1953..Minnie L. Regan,..75 yrs.  
 14/ 1/1958..Cecilia Rice,.....79 yrs.  
 31/ 5/1960..Isabella Rowley,..84 yrs.  
 6/ 7/1963..Clifford A. Rowley,63 yrs.

S.

26/ 9/1870..John Stack,.....84 yrs.  
 30/11/1872..Rtsamund Slater,....----  
 May, 1873..G. Steadman,..... 2 yrs.  
 Sept. 1873..Peter J. Smith,.... 2 yrs.  
 Sept. 1873..Emily A. Stagg,....----  
 March,1876..James Spillane,....----  
 July, 1876..William Scales,....----  
 April,1878..--Sinnbeck,.....infant.  
 Jan. 1879..Wm. M. Statham,....----  
 Februar ..Robt. Ellis Spong,---  
 April,1880..--Spong,.....infant.  
 Sept. 1881..Thomas Spencer,....----  
 May, 1883..Mary E. Stammers,..----  
 May, 1885..Margaret Smith,....63 yrs.  
 Aug. 1887..William Sykes,.....41 yrs.  
 April,1888..Amy Smith,..... 7 yrs.  
 May, 1888..Adlph F.Sinnberg,..7 yrs.  
 June, 1888..Elen F.S. Stewart,---  
 Jan. 1889..Eliza Smith,.....82 yrs.  
 May, 1889..Alice Saunders,.... 3 yrs.  
 Jan. 1890..Gergina Stewart,..7 yrs.  
 Feb. 1891..John Stagg,..... 1 yr.  
 Aug. 1891..John Stagg,.....----



10/ 9/1891..Wm. H. Spencer,...40 yrs.  
 29/11/1893..Honorah Standing,..35 yrs.  
 14/ 6/1895..Charles Stagg,...72 yrs.  
 30/ 6/1898..Peter Sinnbeck,...66 yrs.  
 9/ 1/1899..John P. Sebire,...2 yrs.  
 10/ 5/1899..Christopher Sebire,7 yrs.  
 24/11/1899..Eliza Stagg,...66 yrs.  
 28/ 5/1900..Mary Ann Shaw,...1 yr.  
 11/11/1900..Leon P. Sinnbeck,..11 yrs.  
 17/ 4/1901..Frank Shiel,...1 day.  
 20/ 9/1903..Jas. T. Statham,..30 yrs.  
 16/ 9/1904..Katherine M. Smith,23 yrs.  
 8/ 1/1907..Mary Stammers,...69 yrs.  
 Oct. 1907..Ellen Statham,.....  
 ----- 1908..Elizabeth Slang,..77 yrs.  
 -old-----..Peter Smith-----  
 -old-----..Sam and Rose-----  
 1/ 7/1912..J. J. Sinnbeck,....  
 10/ 7/1912..Ellen Shiel,.....  
 27/ 4/1915..Charles Smith,....88 yrs.  
 May, 1916..George Stagg,.....  
 23/10/1916..Henry Smith,.....  
 29/12/1916..Phillip Sherren,....  
 31/10/1916..Harry Shiel,.....  
 29/12/1916..Maggie Smith....infant.  
 (child of Alf Smith)  
 29/12/1916..Maria Smith,.....  
 13/ 9/1918..Robert Stammers,....  
 28/ 5/1922..-- Scholes,.....infant.  
 10/11/1925..Agnes Smith,.....  
 2/ 7/1920..Eric L. Shiel,....29 yrs.  
 25/ 9/1931..John Jas. Sinnbeck,65 yrs.  
 29/ 9/1933..Ethel G. Shaw,.....  
 18/ 1/1934..Eileen J. Sherrard,40 yrs.  
 2/ 8/1935..Alexander Saunders,---  
 10/ 7/1936..Ann Statham,.....87 yrs.  
 27/12/1936..Margaret A. Sebire,76 yrs.  
 4/12/1936..James Smith,.....79 yrs.  
 18/ 8/1936..Alice Saunders,...86 yrs.  
 8/ 1/1937..Alexander Simpson,---  
 6/ 4/1937..Ernest J. Sebire,..34 yrs.  
 13/ 7/1937..David Smith,.....  
 5/ 1/1938..Sarah Mary Smith,---  
 16/11/1938..John Smith,.....  
 5/ 8/1940..Margaret Stagg,..80 yrs.  
 12/ 8/1940..Wm. John Swan,...71 yrs.  
 23/ 8/1940..John P. Sebire,..70 yrs.  
 22/ 8/1941..Esther Sugrue,.....  
 27/12/1941..Elizabeth Stuckey,51 yrs.  
 10/ 1/1943..Rebecca Snowden,..67 yrs.  
 20/ 3/1953..Alfred G. Smith,..82 yrs.  
 3/10/1958..Margaret J. Simpson,87 yrs.  
 21/ 8/1962..Alfred Stuckey,..73 yrs.  
 8/ 6/1864..Ellen Mary Steel,..61 yrs.

23/ 8/1923..Susan Teeling,.. ----  
 15/11/1926..Alice G. Trotter,----  
 11/11/1927..Richard Thurman,..90 yrs.  
 3/10/1931..Hugh G. Trotter,----  
 8/11/1933..Jas. Wm. Turpin,----  
 19/10/1934..Ellen Thoburne,..----  
 15/ 4/1943..Ida May Turpin,..----  
 17/ 2/1949..Vera Thoburne,..40 yrs.  
 16/ 7/1954..Robert R. Thirde,..59 yrs.  
 20/ 3/1957..Patrick Hy. Tuck,65 yrs.  
 11/11/1960..Mary E.A. Turpin,..83 yrs.

## V.

May, 1875..Ernest Vincent,..----  
 April,1876..Margaret Vincent,----  
 Jan. 1886..William Vincent,..59 Yrs.  
 25/ 3/1928..Noel A. Van Uden,..----  
 29/12/1929..John Varney,.....  
 30/ 4/1930..John Van Uden,..----

## W.

Oct. 1875..Ellen Weir,.....  
 Aug. 1876.. -- Watts,.....infant.  
 Dec. 1876..Emily White,.....  
 Nov. 1877..Ann Whitney,.....  
 Jan. 1878..John Warde,.....  
 Oct. 1878..Rose Waters,.....  
 24/ 2/1880..John Robert Wilson,----  
 March,1880..Geo. Payne Wilson,----  
 29/ 3/1880..Adelaide Williamson,---  
 28/ 6/1880..Mrs. Wilson,.....  
 Oct. 1881..Alice Wilson,.....  
 Jan. 1884..John Wilson,.....13 yrs.  
 Feb. 1884..James Widdowson,..80 yrs.  
 July, 1885..-- Willis,.....infant.  
 Dec. 1885..John Wilson,Sen....80 yrs.  
 July, 1887..Edgar Widdowson,..75 yrs.  
 Jan. 1888..H. Williams,.....73 yrs.  
 13/ 4/1888..Margaret Wand,.....  
 Nov. 1888..Mrs. Wakling,.....39 yrs.  
 March,1889..Laurence White,..infant.  
 16/ 1/1890..Ellen C. Watts,....21 yrs.  
 24/ 2/1890..Mary Williams,.....75 yrs.  
 19/ 9/1892..Joseph White.....58 yrs.  
 21/ 4/1893..Myra M.M. White.....2 mths.  
 18/ 2/1897..George Waite,.....88 yrs.  
 15/ 6/1897..Elsie May Wright...----  
 22/ 9/1899..Catherine Williamson,68 yrs.  
 12/ 3/1902..Mary Ann Watson,..66 yrs.  
 7/11/1902..Eliza Weir,.....79 yrs.  
 Sept. 1908..Henry C. Watson,..53 yrs.  
 Jan. 1909..Thomas Williamson,..83 yrs.  
 30/10/1909..Georgina E. Watts,..2 mths.  
 22/ 2/1910..John A. Westwood,..81 yrs.  
 8/ 7/1911..Mary S. Wickwood,..63 yrs.  
 19/ 8/1912..Ellen Williams,....73 yrs.  
 10/11/1912..Eliza Watts,.....73 yrs.  
 2/ 6/1916..Mrs. Wright,Senior,----  
 -----..John Williams,.....  
 -----..Mrs. White,.....  
 26/ 7/1919..Wm. Jas. Wishart,..----  
 2/11/1919..John Wright,.....84 yrs.  
 3/ 8/1919..Emily Annie Wyeth,..----  
 7/ 3/1921..Charles White,....58 yrs.  
 6/ 8/1921..Edward L. Wilson,..----  
 9/ 2/1923..Smeaton Wright,....  
 16/11/1923..Neil Weir,.....  
 June, 1928..Mary Watts,.....54 yrs.

## T. V.

Sept. 1876..Robert Timms,....  
 July, 1878..Eva M.J. Thoburne,---  
 21/ 4/1891..John Thos. Seiling,21 yrs.  
 18/ 2/1894..Arthur R. Thoburne, 2 yrs.  
 18/ 3/1894..Maurice R. Taylor,..29 yrs.  
 20/ 7/1906..John Seiling,....64 yrs.  
 Feb. 1909..Elizabeth Tiernan,80 yrs.  
 26/ 9/1909..Charlotte Timbs,..89 yrs.  
 March,1907..James Turpin.....  
 -old-----..Joseph Treader,....  
 -old-----..Tom (at Allens)...  
 -old-----..Mrs. Treader,....  
 Feb. 1915..Sarah Turpin,.....



## Y.

11/ 5/1934..Joseph R. White,..59 yrs.	April;1877..Thomas Young,.....
28/ 4/1938..Isobel Walters,....	April;1885..Mary Aimee Young,..infant.
3/12/1941..John Wright,.....75 yrs.	March,1889..Alexander Youlton,..
15/10/1942..Wm.D.Williamson,..84 yrs.	18/ 2/1893..Elizabeth Yates,..10 yrs.
4/12/1942..Essington Watts...76 yrs.	2/ 7/1895..Margaret Young,....72 yrs.
1/ 2/1943..Wm.Edward Watts,..66 yrs.	24/11/1895..William J. Yeates,.62 yrs.
5/ 8/1943..Ellen Weir,.....87 yrs.	8/ 6/1897..Johanna M. Yeates,.35 yrs.
18/12/1943..George Hy. Watts, 80 yrs.	27/ 6/1899..Alice L. Young,....29 yrs.
6/ 3/1954..Jas.Forbes Wilson,84 yrs.	29/12/1899..Robert Young,.....
8/11/1954..Elizabeth Wright,....	10/ 8/1900..Ruiria Mabel Yeates, 6 yrs.
23/10/1956..C. Weir,.....61 yrs.	31/ 5/1930..Fanny Young,.....45 yrs.
x 28/10/1963..Ivy Ethel Watts,..72 yrs.	26/ 7/1944..Samuel H. Young,....
13/ 8/1964..John Philip Watts,51 yrs.	

Incomplete Records.

A study of the above records indicates clearly that, although Rosedale is fortunate in that its cemetery register has been kept much better than most, it is still far from perfect. The early entries, particularly, are scrappy, never giving the age of the deceased, and sometimes omitting even the date of death or burial. Obviously, no systematic method of keeping the records was introduced until the 1880's, when William Allen apparently made it his self-appointed task to do so. His wife, Mary Anne Allen, died 16/2/1884, aged 56 years, and it may have been his desire that she should not be forgotten that led him to adopt a more systematic approach to maintaining complete and better records. The next step would have been to gather what information was still available on all the burials that had taken place, and to record it. His own business papers might have helped him a little, for he was the local undertaker, and some of the graves would have had memorials. But some graves would be unmarked by any memorial and some of the information on the others would have been obliterated by time and weather.

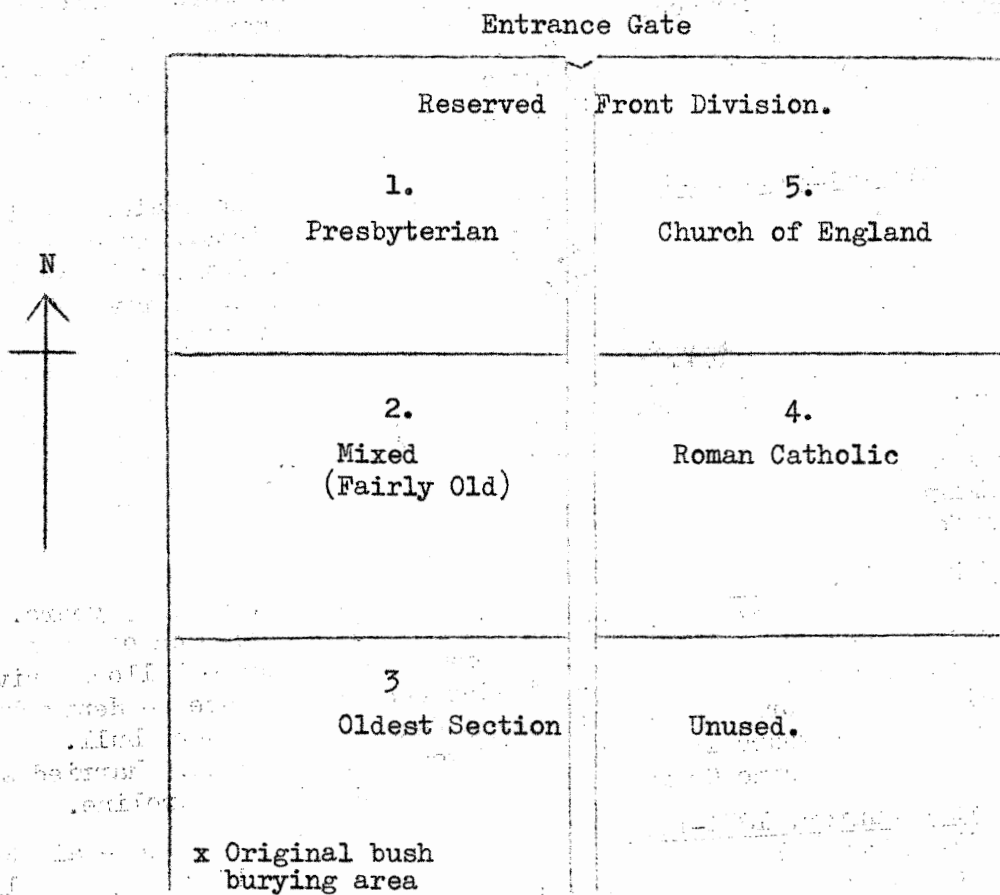
However, even the careful entries of William Allen are not good enough. It would be much better if we knew more about each deceased, such as where he had lived (that is, his recent address), to what family and church he belonged, what occupation he followed, and how long he had lived in Rosedale or the district. In short, we ought to have for each deceased person some such record as is kept at the Government Statist's Office, 295 Queen Street, Melbourne, 3000. Copies of death certificates may be obtained from the Government Statist, if the approximate date of death can be given, at a cost of \$2-00 for each certificate.

The Roman Catholic Church and the Church of England keep records locally of the baptisms, burials and marriages performed by the Church, but other denominations are surprisingly remiss in this matter. In any case, such records are insufficient in themselves because they are sectional and limited.

On the other hand, too much centralization is undesirable. In Ireland for example, all these church records were called in by the Government to be held for safe keeping in a records office in Dublin. Then, the 1919 rebellion took place. The records office, known as the Four Courts, became the headquarters of the Republican Army, and it was completely destroyed in the final battle, and all its documents with it. Of course, every little locality should have made a copy of its records before surrendering them to the central authorities - but few did this, and so the story of many Irish families has been lost for ever.

The historical societies and the civic authorities should learn from such disasters of the desirability of preserving our past and present records. Every shire, borough and city council should appoint an archivist or records officer, whose task should be to gather and keep safe, what records of the past still remain, and what is just as important, to record faithfully and carefully what is happening now. The happenings of today are the history of tomorrow. Our historical societies could help and advise our civic authorities in these matters. It need not be an expensive business. Many a retired business-man, or house-wife, or school-teacher would take up such a position as a part-time job.

In England, it occasionally happens that some public-spirited individual will arrange to have the local church records of baptisms, marriages and burials, printed in book form. We have in our possession an example of this in "The Madron Registers", the records of St. Maddern's Church of England, Madron, a village just outside Penzance, Cornwall. The records in this register go back to 1587. In addition, the printed book carries an invaluable commentary on special memorials in the church, on some of the unusual names, and on some little known incidents in the history of the area. We read in our history books of the defeat of the Spanish Armada, 1588, but we never read of Spanish raids on the English coast, such as that of 1595, when the Spaniards landed at Penzance and pillaged the town.

Chapter 4. .... The Rosedale Cemetery (continued)Plan of the Cemetery.General Notes.

This area, some two miles out of Rosedale, towards the south, was used as a burial ground right from the beginning of Rosedale. We know, for example, that "Sam the Snob" (Samuel Jones, bootmaker) was buried here in 1860.

It did not become an official burial ground or cemetery until 1872. Even then, it would seem, the Cemetery Trust appointed at that time did little about surveying and laying out the grounds or keeping records. Later on, William Allen made a praiseworthy attempt not only to record each burial as it occurred but also to record the past and to collect what information was still available about earlier burials. Presumably his best source of information, or perhaps his only source of information, were the details written on the memorials over the graves. All of these would probably be wooden memorials. In some instances, the writing would have been effaced or made illegible even before the memorial wood itself rotted away or was destroyed by fire.

For these reasons, and also because some graves would remain unmarked right from the beginning, William Allen's records cannot be complete. For example, there is no record in his book of the burial of Frederick Stratton, coach driver, drowned 27/9/1867 while trying to cross the flooded Latrobe River, and buried at Rosedale, Monday, 30th September, 1867. Stratton had no relatives in the area, and there would be no-one to raise a memorial over his grave.

There are still several of the old memorials standing, - not headstones, but red-gum head-woods, shaped in the conventional rounded-top fashion. Some of these are now blank, the surface writing having been obliterated by time and weather, but there are three on which, or into which, the inscription has been chiselled. They mark the graves of Hugh Buntine, Senior, died 1867, aged 63; Patrick O'Brien, died 1868, aged 19; and John Stagg, died 1870, aged 84 years.

In the 1880's or 1890's, a very elaborate survey of the Cemetery was made, showing not only the sections given above, but also sections for Wesleyans, Jews, Independents, Strangers, Baptist and Poor. The area seems to have been curtailed since then, particularly at the southern end.

Chapter 4. The Rosedale Cemetery (continued).Death Certificates.

Death certificates are more important to the historian than are tombstone inscriptions. They provide more information, more accurately about more individuals, more methodically and in a more permanent way.

Below, we give a summary of the information on the death certificates of ten people important in the history of Early Rosedale. Four of them are members of the famous Buntine family. Five of the ten people have had no memorial erected to their memory in the Rosedale Cemetery.

1. Hugh Buntine Senior, 1804-1867, died of Paralysis at Rosedale, 7/6/1867, aged 63 years. He was the son of Hugh Buntine, Superintendent of the Earl of Eglinton's Estate in Scotland. Doctor - Dr. E.L.Simmons; Undertaker - James Moore; Witnesses - Robert Knox and James Rintoul; Clergyman - Rev. G.D.Macartney, C.of E.; Registrar - John Alexander Gregory.  
He had married, first, Mary Symington in Scotland, 1827, and second, Agnes Davidson in Victoria, 1840. There were five children in the first family - Janet born 1828, John 1830, Robert 1831, Mary 1833 and Hugh 1834; and six children in the second family - Albert 1841, William 1844, Agnes 1845, Sarah 1848, Kate 1852, (died as a child); and Isabella 1856.  
Emigrated from Scotland 1838-39. Occupation - farmer.  
Informant - Charles I. Du Ve, son-in-law.
2. Thomas Timbs, 1808-1868, died at Rosedale, 29/2/1868, aged 59 years. He was born at Broad Marston, Gloucestershire, England, the son of John Timbs, farmer, and Lydia Timbs, nee Freeman. Occupation - bullock driver. Doctor - Dr. Simmons; Undertaker - William Moore; Witnesses - Henry Bull and Joseph Bull; Informant - Joseph Bull; Registrar - Joseph Bull.  
Emigrated 1838; 11 years in Tasmania, 19 years in Victoria. Married at Hobart Town to Catherine Orkins. There was one daughter, Caroline.
3. Hugh Buntine Junior, 1834-1868, died 13/8/1868 on the Sale-Rosedale Road, about 8 miles from Sale, as the result of an accident - killed by a fall from his horse. He was born in Ayrshire, Scotland, the son of Hugh Buntine, farmer, and Mary Buntine, nee Symington. Clergyman - Rev.W.S.Logan (Pres.); Coroner and Informant - Dr.A.Ar buckle of Sale; Undertaker - J. Holder.  
He married Elizabeth Sharpe at Port Albert, 1860, and had three children - Jane born 1863; Ann 1865; and Alfred 1867. Emigrated to Australia 1838-39; 1½ years in N.S.W.; 28 years in Victoria. Occupation - farmer.
4. William Robert Farley, 1811-1875, died of "natural causes" at Rosedale, 28/8/1875, aged 64 years. Born at Bristol, Somerset, England. Doctor - Dr. E.L.Simmons; Informant - Senior-Constable J. Morrison; Registrar - S. Baker; Undertaker - James Dorum; Witnesses - Charles Du Ve and Langley Osler. Occupation - Labourer.  
He married Mary Ann Maxella at Bruthen Creek, 1851, and had a family of 9 children - James 1853; William 1855; Michael 1857; Charles 1859; Maria 1861; Robert 1864; Mary Ann 1868; Albert 1869, and Elizabeth 1871.  
He lived for 30 years in Victoria, and before that, in N.S.W.
5. William Creighton, 1802-1877, died of Old Age at Rosedale, 9/7/1877, at the age of 75 years. Born in Scotland, 1802. Informant - Sen-Constable J. O'Connor; Undertaker - G.P.Hurren; Witnesses - George King; John Green. Registrar - S. Baker. Occupation - Labourer.
6. James Widdowson, 1803-1884, died of "Natural Causes" at Rosedale, 8/2/84, aged 80 years. He was born at Chesterfield, Derbyshire, England, the son of Robert Widdowson, woodman and Frances, nee Turner. Clergyman - Rev. J.G.Wilson (Presbyterian); Registrar - S.Baker; Undertaker - Wm. Allen. Married at Rosedale, 1854 to Eliza Yeld. No family. Lived 19 years in Hobart, Tasmania, and 30 years in Victoria. Occupation - grazier.
7. Paul Cansick, 1824-1889, died at 241 Nicholson Street, Melbourne, 4/12/89. He was the son of Paul Cansick, tanner and Mrs. Cansick, nee Pilgrim. Informant - Fanny C. Cansick, daughter; Clergyman - Rev. A. Howell. He was born in Berkshire, England, 1824, and emigrated to Australia, 1849, living in Victoria for 40 years.  
He married at Melbourne in 1856, Margaret Salter Trood, and there was a family of 8 children - Pauline 1858; Sarah Elizabeth 1860; Fanny Clara 1862; Amelia 1864; Cassandra 1865; Paul 1868; James 1870 (died young); and Marggret 1873. Occupation - Leather dealer. Undertaker - Wm. Allen.



8. Mrs. Agnes Hallett, formerly Mrs. Hugh Buntine, nee Davidson, 1820-1896, died 29/2/1896, aged 76 years. She was the daughter of Alexander Davidson, gardener, was born in Ayrshire, Scotland, and emigrated to Victoria in 1839, where she lived for 57 years. Registrar - J. Coverdale; Clergyman - Rev. Robert Mitchell, Presbyterian; Informant - D. Hallett, Flynn's Creek; Undertaker - Wm. Allen. Married first at Melbourne to Hugh Buntine, 1840, second at Sale to Michael Dawe Hallett, 1875. Children of the first marriage were Albert born 1841 (now deceased); William 1844, Agnes 1845, Sarah 1848; Kathleen 1852 (died as a child); Isabella 1856. Residence at time of death - Flynn's Creek.
9. Mrs. Agnes Adamson Du Ve (nee Buntine), 1845-1915, died at "Airdrie", 14 Seymour Road, Caulfield, 1/1/1915, aged 69 years. She was the daughter of Hugh Buntine, grazier, and Agnes Buntine, nee Davidson. Registrar - Ella C. Stephen, Caulfield; Informant - Charles Ureson, grandson, 14 Seymour Road, Caulfield; Doctor - Dr. J. Leon Jona; Buried at Rosedale Cemetery, 3/1/1915; Clergyman - Rev. H. Langley, C.of E.; Undertaker - Arthur Allen. She was born at Bruthen Creek, 1845, married Charles Ignatz Du Ve at Sale, 1862, and had a family of 12 children - Joanna Agnes, 1866; Charles Augustus Ferdinand 1867; Isobel Caroline 1869; Augusta Elizabeth 1871; Grace Lois 1873 (died 1875); Hugh Francis 1875; Ethel Maud 1876; Florence Grace 1878; Leopold Denis Eugene 1880; Frank 1882; Wentzel 1884; and Merle Lois 1889.
10. John Rowley, 1844-1922, died at Rosedale, 24/3/1922, aged 78 years. He was the son of John Rowley, farmer, and Elizabeth Rowley, nee Matthews, and was born at Sale in 1844. Occupation - farmer. Residence - "The Pines", North Rosedale. Registrar - G.P. Hurren; Doctor - Dr. A. McDonald; Informant - T.C. Rowley, son, Rosedale; Undertaker - A. Allen; Minister - Rev. George Henry Devlin, C.of E. He was married at Rosedale, 1868, to Sarah Jane Stagg, and there was a family of 12 children - Lily Eliza 1869 (now deceased); Thomas Charles 1871; Clara Evelyn 1873; Ernest 1875 (now deceased); Henry John 1877; Ida Mary 1878; Arthur Conrad 1881; John James 1883; Lenora Charlotte 1886; Bertie Gordon 1890; Ruby Gladys 1891; William Benjamin, 1893 (now deceased).

### Individual Graves in the Various Sections of the Cemetery.

#### Section 3. The Oldest Section of the Cemetery.

It is here where the earliest burials took place long before an official cemetery was established. Right in the south-west corner, there are lines of pegs beginning with No. 1. According to William Allen's first register, these graves were those of: 1. Buntine; 2. H. Bunstane; 3. Conaty, a policeman; 4. Mrs. Treader; 5. Joseph Treader; 6. Old Tom at Allen's; 7. Mrs. Lear; 8. Man killed at cutting; 9. Unknown; 11. Sam and Rose ("Sam the Snob"); 12. Neil Weir.

Only one of these graves is marked now by a memorial and that is Henry Bunstane's, 1820-1904, a comparatively late burial. But perhaps his wife or a child had been buried there much earlier. The first grave, though not necessarily first in time, might be that of the second Hugh Buntine, died 1868, aged 34 years. Many of these early graves had been fenced, and just here, in this south-west corner area, can be seen two very solid, tall posts, obviously the head-posts of a fenced grave with a memorial in wood.

No. 9 grave, classified now as "unknown" might well be the grave of Frederick Stratton, the coach-driver drowned in 1868.

The graves in this oldest area marked by memorials are:

1. Henry Bunstane 1820-1904, mentioned above.
2. William Allen, 1828-1923 and his wife, Mary Ann Allen (nee Northam), 1828-1884. No doubt William Allen is buried in this old section, because his wife was buried there, nearly 40 years before him.
3. Rowley. The first record of a burial in this family is that of E.H. Rowley in December, 1874. He was only a child - Ernest Henry Rowley, less than a year old, the son of John Rowley, whose death certificate is given above.
4. William Robert Farley, 1805-1875. The dates on this memorial do not square with those on the death certificate given above, 1811-1875. This man may have been the William Farley, an early holder of Merton Rush Station, and/or the "Commissioner Bob" - an early Lands Commissioner in the area.
5. John Stagg, 1886-1870. His memorial is one of the early "head-woods".
6. Samuel Robert Dawson, 1834-1891, an early Secretary of Rosedale Shire.

The Rosedale Cemetery (continued)Section 2. General Section. Mixed Denominations.

This section shares seniority with Section 3 as being the oldest part of the Cemetery, since, it is here, some of the earliest burials such as that of Patrick O'Brien, 1868, took place. But whereas Section 3 was rarely used after the setting up of the Cemetery Trust in 1872, - and then, chiefly for added burials in family graves, Section 2 seems to have been used as the common or general cemetery until about 1890, when the denominational areas were marked off and allotted. Here, then, we have some Presbyterian graves (members of the Rintoull family); some Church of England graves (the King family) and some Roman Catholic graves (Patrick O'Brien). Some of the graves of particular interest in this area are:

1. James Widdowson, 1803-1884, who conducted the rough accommodation house, the precursor to his Bridge Inn, and so became Rosedale's first business-man.
2. The Thoburn graves. Eva, 1878; Arthur, 1894; Ellen, 1934 and Vera, 1949. A very old Rosedale family. Agnes Thoburn, 1833-1910 was the wife of James Rintoull of Annesfield.
3. The Du Ve graves. C.I. Du Ve 1836-1915 and his wife Agnes, nee Buntine.
4. William Essington King, 1872-1872; and Essington H. King, 1865-1874, the great-grand-children of Philip Gidley King, Governor of N.S.W. 1800-1806.
5. Patrick O'Brien, 1849-1868, aged 19 years, killed when thrown from his horse while hunting kangaroos. Marked by one of the early "head-woods".
6. Hugh Buntine, 1804-1867. Another of the early "head-wood" memorials. The death certificate for this man is given above.
7. The Watts graves. Perhaps, these are members of the family of William Watts, mentioned in early records as a Rosedale horse-dealer in the 1850's.
8. Paul Cansick, 1824-1889. See the death certificate given above.
9. The Portch graves. The Portch family figures in early Rosedale records.
10. Mary O'Malley, "relict of the late James Manton Flynn". Flynn's Creek is named after this man, an early police officer at Port Albert and Rosedale.
11. Thomas Rintoull, 1844-1915, his wife and members of his family. Three of his children died within four months of each other in 1877.

Section 4. The Roman Catholic Section.

1. James Farley, 1852-1924. Probably the son of William Robert Farley, whose death certificate is given above.
2. John Rowley, 1840-1922. Obviously the same man whose death certificate is given above, despite the discrepancy in the date of birth.
3. Elizabeth H. Foley, 1836-1900, "relict of Hugh S. Buntine of Holey Plains". Could this be the Elizabeth Buntine, widowed when Hugh Buntine was killed in that accident on the Sale-Rosedale Road, 1868?
4. Julia Costello Brown, 1825-1860 and Isabella Brown, 1856-1860.

Julia Brown was the wife of Nicol Brown, co-holder of Scrubby Forest Cattle Station, with Billy Hillier. Nicol Brown also owned and conducted the "Drovers' Rest Hotel", at Shady Creek, on the Old Coach Road. The little girl, Isabella, died 3/11/1860 from the effects of being scalded by the overturning of a bucket of hot water in the kitchen of the Drovers' Rest Hotel. Mother and child were buried in the Shady Creek Cemetery.

On the 23rd. October, 1868, Nicol Brown, jealous of the attentions he thought his second wife was paying to a young mailman, William Laughton, shot the mailman dead. He was found guilty of murder and received a sentence of 20 years imprisonment. Released in 1887, Queen Victoria's Jubilee Year, after serving 19 years in prison, Nicol Brown went to live at Rosedale. In 1895, he had the bodies of his first wife and his daughter exhumed, and re-interred in the Rosedale Cemetery.

The tombstone dates of death, 1860 and 1860, give the wrong impression that the interments in the Cemetery took place in 1860.

Likewise, the record in the Cemetery Register of the date of interment, 1895, give the wrong impression of the date of death.

5. Charles Stagg, 1823-1895 and Eliza Stagg, 1833-1899. Probably relatives of John Stagg, 1786-1870, listed in our Section 3 group (P. 19).

Chapter 4....The Rosedale Cemetery (continued).Section 1. Presbyterian.

Three Rintoul brothers from Kelso, Roxburgh, Scotland, were early pioneers at Rosedale - James at Loy Yang in 1842; George, the first blacksmith in Rosedale, 1856; and Henry, a carpenter, who came in 1858. The George Rintoull branch used, and still use, a double "1" in their name; the others, a single "1".

1. James Rintoul, 1809-1885, and Agnes Rintoul (nee Thoburn), 1833-1910.  
Private A.S.Beck, killed in action, 14/12/1916, their grandson.
2. Henry Rintoul, 1819-1899, and Alice Rintoul (nee Stewart), 1819-1896.  
John Lawson Rintoul, 1858-1890, their son.  
Winifred May Rintoul, 1889-1890, their grand-daughter, (John's child).
3. Rev. Robert Duffis Mitchell, 1848-1935, and Margaret E. Mitchell.  
Rev. Mr.Mitchell was the Presbyterian Minister at Rosedale for 25 years. His wife, Margaret Elizabeth (nee Milligan), 1866-1941, had been a school-teacher, and was stationed at Denison School, 1893-1897.
4. Harry Francis Disher, 1894-1896; Margaret Hagenauer Disher, 1888-1897.  
These children are descendents of W.H.Disher, of Tasmania, Port Albert, and Strathfieldsaye Station.
5. John Green 1835-1918, and Eleanor Green (nee Gray), 1852-1888.  
They were the parents of the late Mr. Arthur Green of Morwell.
6. Mrs. Jane Duck, 1857-1935. She was the eldest daughter of William and Mary Allen, who came to Rosedale in 1858; and the mother of Mr. Thomas Duck, a well-known resident of Rosedale, today.

Section 5. Church of England.

1. Francis Hext Robinson, 1848-1920, and Jessie Evelyn Robinson, 1857-1912.  
F. H. Robinson was a son of Robert Robinson, mentioned by C. I. Du Ve, in "Olden Rosedale", as an early saddler in Rosedale. His wife, Jessie, was one of the well-known Liardet family. Her brother, Frank Liardet, was the Shire Secretary for many years. There is a memorial to Jessie Evelyn Robinson (nee Liardet) in St. Mark's Church of England, given by her daughter, Mrs. U. Wright (nee Robinson).
2. Geraldine Brown, wife of William Henry Brown, surgeon, 1866-1885.  
She died 8/8/1885, 14 days after her marriage, aged 19 years.  
Mrs. Wardrop of Berrigan, N.S.W. has given us the story of this tragedy. Geraldine Brown drove out to a farm with her husband, who had been called out to attend a patient there. Some burning off was being done, and the young wife, interested in the burning-off operations, got too close to flames she did not notice. They caught the bottom of her dress and soon engulfed her.
3. Margaret Nine, 1832-1894. and Poa Nine, 1824-1906.  
We have the story of Poa and Margaret Nine (pronounced as for the number "nine") from Mrs. Sutherland of Echuca.  
Poa Nine was the baker at Rosedale, and he was Chinese. It is said that he had been the station-cook at the Snake Ridge Station, and also at Holey Plains Station, before setting up in business as a baker in the town of Rosedale. He was devoted to his English-born wife, Margaret. Sometimes, she would go away to visit friends or to do some shopping, and on the day when she was due to return, her happy husband, bustling about the shop, would tell all his customers the good news, "Missy coming home today".  
She must have known she was seriously ill, and on the plea of visiting friends, went to Sale to seek medical attention. An immediate operation was necessary, but Margaret Nine did not survive it. She never came home again. The desolate Poa Nine gave three memorial, stained-glass windows for the altar of St. Mark's Church, for they were Church of England people. Poa Nine still went to Church regularly, but the other worshippers could see that he was not listening to the service - but staring past the Minister, gazing at the memorial windows, and thinking of his beloved wife. Poa Nine lived on in Rosedale another 12 years after the death of Margaret.



Chapter 4 (continued). The Rosedale Cemetery.Some Final Notes on Early Burials.

As we systematically read through the early Gippsland newspapers, we are gathering a little further information about burials in the Rosedale Cemetery. So far we have completed this research for the years 1859 to 1862, 1868, and 1877 to 1879, and we summarize below the new information obtained, relevant to the Rosedale Cemetery.

Mounted Constable Conaty, Killed 27/5/1862.

Constable Conaty was stationed at Sale at least as early as 1861, and was probably in South Gippsland much earlier. In May, 1862, with Sergeant Macdonald of Sale, he was escorting two prisoners to Dandenong for trial on charges of horse stealing. At Moe, he was questioning a witness who had been at work grubbing out a tree. Without warning, the tree fell, killing both the constable and his horse. The newspaper reported that a large crowd attended his funeral at Rosedale.

Samuel Jones, (Sam the Snob), April, 1860, (and Rose Jones.)

The Port Albert "Guardian" for the 6th. April, 1860, advertised the sale of the personal effects of the deceased at Rosedale, Tuesday, 17/4/60. Presumably, Mrs. Rose Jones had died earlier.

James Warren, December, 1861.

The newspaper, 27/12/1861, reported the sudden death of James Warren, who was in the employ of Henry Luke, Rosedale. The cause of death was given as "water on the brain". We do not know where he was buried, but it is reasonable to suppose that it was at Rosedale.

Catherine Ferguson, 11/1/1868, and David Weir, 12/1/1868.

The Rosedale correspondent reported on the unusual occurrence of having two funerals on successive days at Rosedale. Catherine Ferguson was killed when a dray overturned on the Port Albert - Rosedale Road. No cause of death was given for the death of the lad David Weir, son of a widow.

Thomas Timms, 25/2/1868, died of cancer of the throat and mouth.Thomas Cox, 31/3/68, killed in a shooting accident.Patrick O'Brien, 19/5/68, killed when thrown from his horse.Mrs. Catherine Moore, aged 33, died at Rosedale, 6/8/68.Hugh Buntine, aged 34 years, killed 13/8/68 in a horse accident.Four Railway Accidents, 1877.

John Hassell, January, 1877, killed in a railway accident, Haunted Hills.

William Harris, 10/1/1877, killed by a fall of earth, working on the railways, Haunted Hills.

Richard Thwaites, 11/4/1877, decapitated on the line near Morwell.

John Mollison, 4/7/1877, killed at Little Moe (Yarragon) by a fall of earth.

Death Certificates.

We have received an interesting letter from Mr. W. Du Ve of 5 St. Helen's Road, East Hawthorn, 3123, correcting the information we gave about Mrs. Agnes Adamson Du Ve (nee Buntine), on Page 19, Vol. 8; No. 5.

The informant was Charles Wilson, not Charles Ureson; she was married 14/7/1863, not in 1862; Joanna Agnes was born in 1865, not 1866; the second name of Florence was Cray, not Grace; Frank's correct name was Francis Ignatz; and Merle Lois was born in 1887, not 1889.

These minor corrections draw attention to two difficulties connected with interpreting the information on death certificates. The age of the deceased is given only in years, so that if, for example, a person died in June, 1969, aged 68 years, we do not know if he was born in 1900 or 1901. Similarly this person could be said to have married at the age of 22, which might mean exactly 22 years, or 22 years 11 months. Would the marriage have taken place in 1922 or 1924?

A second difficulty is the interpretation of the writing on the certificate, particularly when the space of one section is too small for all the information to be crowded in. This explains the errors made in the names given above.

The Municipality of Rosedale.

Quite early in the history of Victoria, there used to be a Roads and Bridges Department, whose functions were very similar to those of the Country Roads Board of today. This body was established to maintain and to develop the main roads and tracks outside the areas of the bigger centres.

It is convenient to divide the 100 years, 1869 to 1969 during which a Rosedale authority has existed in one form or another, into four periods. They are:

1. The Rosedale Road Board, 1869-1871.
2. The Rosedale Shire Council of six councillors, 1871-1877.
3. The Rosedale Shire Council of four ridings and twelve councillors, 1877-1880.
4. The present Rosedale Shire Council of three ridings and nine councillors, 1880-1969.

The Rosedale Road Board, 1869-1871.

Rosedale was proclaimed a Road District, 15/2/1869, and the following six men were elected as the first members of the Rosedale Road Board:

Donald McLeod (President);	James Smith;
William Essington King;	John Wilson;
Samuel McWilliams;	Edward Sproule.

In 1870, John Wilson, Samuel McWilliams and Edward Sproule retired, and their places were taken by George Gibson; Henry Luke, and Charles Naylor Henderson.

The Rosedale Shire Council, 1871-1877.

After two years almost to the day, the Rosedale Road Board gave place to the Rosedale Shire, proclaimed 17/2/1871, and having an area of 640,080 acres. The six members of the now defunct Road Board became the six councillors of the new Rosedale Shire. They were:

Donald McLeod (President);	James Smith;
William Essington King;	Henry Luke;
George Gibson;	Charles Naylor Henderson.

By the end of this short period of seven years, there was a complete change in the list of councillors, new members to be elected being Denis O'Brien (1871); James White Hagan and Paul Cansick (1873); Archibald MacDonald (1874); Thomas Anderson and Robert Watson (1874); John King and John Sykes (1875); Dugald Campbell and Robert Buntine (1876).

The Rosedale Shire Council, 1877-1880.

In 1877, the Shire was divided into four ridings - Rosedale, Toongabbie, Denison and Traralgon, and the number of councillors was increased to twelve, with three elected from each riding. Those elected to the enlarged Council were:

<u>Rosedale.</u>	<u>Toongabbie.</u>	<u>Denison.</u>	<u>Traralgon.</u>
Patrick Murren;	Christian Christiansen;	John King;	Robert Mill;
James Flint;	John Buntine;	Patrick Mangan;	Henry Breed;
George Steadman;	Jonathan Bassett;	Peter Pedersen;	Dugald Campbell.

The Rosedale Shire Council, 1880.

In 1880, there was a severance, with the Traralgon Riding breaking away to form its own separate Traralgon Shire. Since that year, there have been only the three ridings - Rosedale, Toongabbie and Denison - and with three councillors from each, a total of nine councillors.

The 1880 Council consisted of the following nine councillors:

For Rosedale.....John H. Reid; Patrick Murren; Samuel Skeels.  
 For Toongabbie.....John Mooney; Christian Christiansen; James Slater.  
 For Denison.....John King; Peter Pedersen; Patrick Mangan.

The severance of the Traralgon section reduced the size of the original Shire (1871-1880) from approximately 1200 square miles to about 900 square miles.

Donald McLeod was the first President of the 1871-1877 Council but resigned the first year and William Essington King took his place.

Councils, 1880 to 1969.

Below, we give the composition of various Councils of Rosedale Shire at intervals of roughly ten years for the period 1880 to 1969, during which the Council has consisted of nine councillors, three from each of the three ridings, Rosedale, Toongabbie, and Denison.

	<u>Rosedale</u>	<u>Toongabbie</u>	<u>Denison.</u>
<u>1881.</u>	John Sykes Samuel Skeels Patrick Murren	William Fogarty James Slater John Mooney	Peter W. Pedersen Patrick Mangan John King
<u>1891.</u>	Edward Jolly Croke George C. Coulsen John Harry Hiam	William Fogarty James Lang William Moore	Thomas Pendlebury Thomas Kenevan Abel Burton
<u>1901.</u>	Edward Jolly Croke Charles Frederick Kleine John Creighton Coverdale	William Fogarty James Lang William H. Goodwin	Thomas Kenevan(Junior) John Benward Pearson Robert McFarlane
<u>1911.</u>	Edward Jolly Croke Alfred George Fatcher Michael Joseph Bourke	James Lang David Morgan William H. Goodwin	John Benward Pearson George Martly Davis John Widdis
<u>1921.</u>	Edward Jolly Croke Alfred George Fatcher Thomas A. Umphelby	William A. Lang Walter Henderson James S. Neilson	Thomas Beattie Anderson George Martly Davis Thomas Kenevan (Junior)
<u>1931.</u>	Edward Jolly Croke Charles Ayres Andrew Fischer	William A. Lang Walter Henderson David Morgan	Thomas Beattie Anderson David Anderson William A. Borthwick
<u>1941.</u>	Charles Ayres Andrew Fischer Norman T. Farley	Duncan N. Christiansen Walter Henderson David Morgan	John Bermingham John Lawson Gove George Johns
<u>1951.</u>	Edward Menzies Croke Norman T. Farley Royden B. Gerrand	Duncan N. Christiansen Clem Jones Walter R. Andrews	John Bermingham David James Anderson Cyril Pedersen
<u>1961.</u>	Edward Menzies Croke Royden B. Gerrand Robert E. Tanner	Clem Jones Albert Hazel Ries Frederick E. King	Alister Rees Jones Norman Richman Gooch James Henry Anderson
<u>1968.</u>	Royden B. Gerrand Charles Lloyd Burley Thomas James Fleming	William K. Campbell Albert Hazel Ries Norman T. Farley	John Joseph Killeen Norman Richman Gooch James Henry Anderson.

There may be some slight errors in the years given for individual councillors. This is due to the fact that some of the records (Municipal Directories) are missing, and also to the fact that the municipal year - August to August - does not coincide with the calendar year.

Councillors who served in the Rosedale Shire Council in the intervening years of those given above, were: (Dates refer to their first year).

Rosedale Riding... George Greenwood(1882); James Meldrum(1882); J.J.Kelly (1894); Henry Robert Disher (1886); Richard Ely Cloak (1897); William Henry Newnham (1903); Thomas Young Anderson (1902); Robert M. Lyons (1925); Patrick Feeley (1937); Cr.Ashton (1954)

Toongabbie Riding..William O'Meara (1883); David Aubrey (1922); Jack S.Lang (1957).

Denison Riding....William Ross (1881);William Joseph Irwin (1883); Wm. Clement (1886); James Young (1885); John W.Bowman (1887); Wm.J.Irwin (1883);Wm.Newnham (1894); Thos.S.Armstrong(1903) John J.Porter(1905); Richard Goodman(1942);H.C.Williamson(1957)



The Councillors of Rosedale Shire Council.

Below, are listed the names of all those who have served on the Council of the Rosedale Shire since its establishment in 1871, together with the approximate years of their terms of office.

The Six Member Council, 1871-1877.

Donald McLeod, 1871-1871  
 William Essington King, 1871-1874  
 James Smith, 1871-1874  
 Charles Naylor Henderson, 1871-1874  
 Denis O'Brien, 1871-1874  
 George Gibson, 1871-1875  
 John W. Simmons, 1871-1875  
 James White Hagan, 1872-1875  
 Paul Capsick, 1872-1875  
 Archibald MacDonald, 1873-1876  
 Robert Watson, 1874-1877  
 Thomas Anderson, 1876-1877  
 Dugald Campbell, 1876-1877  
 Robert Buntine, 1866-1877.

The Twelve Member Council, 1877-1880.

Rosedale..Patrick Murren  
                   James Flint  
                   George Steadman  
 Toongabbie..Christian Christiansen  
                   John Buntine  
                   Jonathan Bassett  
 Denison...John King  
                   Patrick Mangan  
                   Peter Wilhelm Pedersen  
 Traralgon...Robert Mill  
                   Henry Breed  
                   Dugald Campbell

The Nine Member Council, 1880-1869.Rosedale Riding.

John H. Reid, 1880-1881  
 Patrick Murren, 1880-1884  
 Samuel Skeels, 1880-1887  
 John Sykes, 1881-1882  
 George Greenwell, 1882-1891  
 James Meldrum, 1882-1885  
 John Harry Hiam, 1883-1892  
 Henry Robert Disher, 1886-1889  
 George Campbell Coulsen, 1889-1892  
 Edward Jolly Crooke, 1890-1936  
 Richard Ely Cloak, 1892-1897  
 Thomas Frederick Umphelby, 1892-1893  
 James Joseph Kelly, 1894-1900  
 John Creighton Coverdale, 1890-1903  
 Charles Ferdinand Kleine, 1901-1907  
 William Harvey Newnham, 1902-1909  
 Thomas Young Anderson, 1902-1905  
 Alfred George Futch, 1910-1924.  
 Michael Joseph Bourke, 1907-1913  
 Thomas A. Umphelby, 1913-1922  
 Charles Ayres, 1922-1949  
 Robert M. Lyons, 1925-1927  
 Andrew Leichardt Fischer, 1927-1949  
 Patrick Feely, 1937-1940  
 Norman Thurman Farley, 1941-1951  
 Roydon Beresford Gerrand, 1949 - -  
 Edward Menzies Crooke, 1950-1961  
 Robert Edwin Tanner, 1952-1966  
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Toongabbie Riding.

John Mooney, 1880-1881  
 Christian Christiansen, 1880-1881  
 James Slater, 1880-1888  
 William Fogarty, 1881-1884; 1889-1903  
 William Moore, 1883-1886  
 William O'Meara, 1881-1887  
 James Lang, 1888-1918  
 William Abraham Lang, 1918-1938  
 William Henry Goodwin, 1893-1912  
 Charles Arthur Widdis, 1904-1909  
 David Morgan, 1907-1915; 1926-1944  
 Walter Henderson, 1914-1945  
 James Stewart Neilson, 1916-1922  
 David Aubrey, 1922-1925  
 Clem Jones, 1945-1961  
 Duncan Neil Christiansen, 1939-1951  
 Walter Robert Andrews, 1947-1953  
 Albert Hazel Ries, 1952- -  
 John Starkey Lang, 1953-1957  
 Frederick Ernest King, 1958-1965  
 Norman Thurman Farley, 1963- -  
 William Kirkpatrick Campbell, 1966- -

Denison Riding.

John King, 1880-1883  
 Patrick Mangan, 1880-1883  
 Peter Wilhelm Pedersen, 1880-1886  
 William Ross, 1881-1884  
 William Joseph Irwin, 1883-1889  
 Robert McFarlane, 1884-1885; 1900-1902  
 William Clement, 1886-1890  
 James Young, 1886-1888  
 John William Bowman, 1887-1888  
 Thomas Kenevan, 1889-1893  
 Thomas Pendlebury, 1889-1900  
 Abel Burton, 1891-1894  
 John Benward Pearson, 1894-1913  
 William Newnham, 1894-1895  
 Thomas Kenevan (Junior), 1896-1905; 1914-1920  
 Thomas Shaw Armstrong, 1903-1909  
 John Jesse Porter, 1905-1908  
 John Widdis, 1910-1916  
 George Martly Davis, 1907-1930  
 David Anderson, 1922-1931  
 Thomas Beattie Anderson, 1919-1934  
 William A. Borthwick, 1931-1935  
 John Lawson Gove, 1932-1948  
 John Birmingham, 1935-1951  
 George Johns, 1936-1942  
 Richard Goodman, 1942-1945  
 Cyril Pedersen, 1945-1951  
 David James Anderson, 1949-1956  
 Norman Richman Gooch, 1952-1969  
 Alister Rees Jones, 1952-1956  
 Harold Calvert Williamson, 1957-1959  
 James Henry Anderson, 1960- -  
 John Joseph Killeen, 1967- -

Cr. Ashton, 1954-1958.

Charles Lloyd Burley, 1960- -

Thomas James Fleming, 1966- -

Presidents of Rosedale Road Board and Rosedale Shire

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| <u>1869 to 1968</u>                      |  |
| 1. Donald McLeod.....1869-1870           | 51. Alfred George Fitcher..1919-1920   |
| 2. Donald McLeod.....1870-1871           | 52. James Stewart Neilson.,1920-1921   |
| 3. William Essington King.....1871-1872  | 53. Thomas B. Anderson.....1921-1922   |
| 4. John W. Simmons.....1872-1873         | 54. Edward Jolly Crooke....1922-1923   |
| 5. John W. Simmons.....1873-1874         | 55. Edward Jolly Crooke....1923-1924   |
| 6. George Gibson.....1874-1875           | 56. Thomas B. Anderson.....1924-1925   |
| 7. Robert Watson.....1875-1876           | 57. Charles Ayres.....1925-1926        |
| 8. John Sykes.....1876-1877              | 58. William A. Lang.....1926-1927      |
| 9. John King.....1877-1878               | 59. David Anderson.....1927-1928       |
| 10. John King.....1878-1879              | 60. Andrew L. Fischer.....1928-1929    |
| 11. John Mooney.....1879-1880            | 61. Walter Henderson.....1929-1930     |
| 12. John Mooney.....1880-1881            | 62. Thomas B. Anderson.....1930-1931   |
| 13. Samuel Skeels.....1881-1882          | 63. Charles Ayres.....1931-1932        |
| 14. James Slater.....1882-1883           | 64. David Morgan.....1932-1933         |
| 15. William Ross.....1883-1884           | 65. William A. Borthwick...1933-1934   |
| 16. James Slater.....1884-1885           | 66. Andrew L. Fischer.....1934-1935    |
| 17. John Harry Hiam.....1885-1886        | 67. Walter Henderson.....1935-1936     |
| 18. John Harry Hiam.....1886-1887        | 68. John Lawson Gove.....1936-1937     |
| 19. James Young.....1887-1888            | 69. Patrick Feely.....1937-1938        |
| 20. William Clement.....1888-1889        | 70. Walter Henderson.....1938-1939     |
| 21. George Greenwell.....1889-1890       | 71. John Bermingham.....1939-1940      |
| 22. William Fogarty.....1890-1891        | 72. Charles Ayres.....1940-1941        |
| 23. Thomas Kenevan.....1891-1892         | 73. Duncan N. Christiansen.1941-1942   |
| 24. Edward Jolly Crooke.....1892-1893    | 74. John Lawson Gove.....1942-1943     |
| 25. James Lang.....1893-1894             | 75. Andrew L. Fischer.....1943-1944    |
| 26. Thomas Pendlebury.....1894-1895      | 76. Cyril F. Pedersen.....1944-1945    |
| 27. Edward Jolly Crooke.....1895-1896    | 77. Clem Jones.....1945-1946           |
| 28. William Henry Goodwin.....1896-1897  | 78. Norman Thurman Farley..1946-1947   |
| 29. John Benward Pearson.....1897-1898   | 79. Duncan N. Christiansen.1947-1948   |
| 30. James Joseph Kelly.....1898-1899     | 80. John Bermingham.....1948-1949      |
| 31. William Fogarty.....1899-1900        | 81. Norman Thurman Farley..1949-1950   |
| 32. Thomas Kenevan (Junior)...1900-1901  | 82. Clem Jones.....1950-1951           |
| 33. John Creighton Coverdale...1901-1902 | 83. David James Anderson...1951-1952   |
| 34. James Lang.....1902-1903             | 84. Roydon B. Gerrand.....1952-1953    |
| 35. John Benward Pearson.....1903-1904   | 85. John Starkey Lang.....1953-1954    |
| 36. Charles Frederick Kleine...1904-1905 | 86. Norman Richman Gooch...1954-1955   |
| 37. William Henry Goodwin.....1905-1906  | 87. Edward Menzies Crooke..1955-1956   |
| 38. Thomas Shaw Armstrong.....1906-1907  | 88. Albert Hazel Ries.....1956-1957    |
| 39. William Harvey Newnham....1907-1908  | 89. Alister Rees Jones.....1957-1958   |
| 40. David Morgan.....1908-1909           | 90. Roydon B. Gerrand.....1958-1959    |
| 41. George Martly Davis.....1909-1910    | 91. Frederick Ernest King..1959-1960   |
| 42. Michael Joseph Bourke.....1910-1911  | 92. James Henry Anderson...1960-1961   |
| 43. William Henry Goodwin.....1911-1912  | 93. Robert Edwin Tanner....1961-1962   |
| 44. John Widdis.....1912-1913            | 94. Albert Hazel Ries.....1962-1963    |
| 45. Alfred George Fitcher.....1913-1914  | 95. Norman Richman Gooch...1963-1964   |
| 46. David Morgan.....1914-1915           | 96. Roydon B. Gerrand.....1964-1965    |
| 47. Thomas Kenevan (Junior)...1915-1916  | 97. Norman Thurman Farley..1965-1966   |
| 48. Thomas A. Umphelby.....1916-1917     | 98. James Henry Anderson...1966-1967   |
| 49. Walter Henderson.....1917-1918       | 99. Roydon B. Gerrand.....1967-1968    |
| 50. George Martly Davis.....1918-1919    | 100. William K. Campbell....1968-1969. |

An Appeal for Information and for Photographs.

It is good that we should have in such a record as this, the names of such important people in the community, leaders of the community, and serving the community voluntarily, as members of the Shire Council. But the names alone are not enough. We should know something of their lives, their families, their other interests and other work, and we should have photographs of them.

We are issuing extra copies of this number of our "News" and will ask the Rosedale Council to disseminate them widely in the three ridings, in the hope that there will be some response to this appeal for information.

Who, for example, can tell us anything of the first President, Donald McLeod? We know nothing about him other than his name. The brothers, John King and William Essington King are grandsons of Captain Philip Gidley King, Governor of New South Wales, 1800-1806. Miss Innes Cameron, a grand-daughter of George Gibson, has given us a photograph of him. But what about all the others?

Early Rosedale Residents.

In his story of Early Rosedale, published in the "Weekly Times", in March, 1930, Frank Whitcombe quotes Mr. James Bunston, "a resident for 70 years" as saying that at the first sale of allotments (about 1857), all the allotments sold were in Lyons Street (that is, the Port Albert Road) and the purchasers were:

James Cowell - five acres opposite the Shire Hall in Lyons Street.

Butterworth, a saddler - who built his shop on a quarter-acre block, where the cattle yards stand (that is, in 1930).

Paul Cansick - one acre, on which he erected the Rosedale Hotel and stables.

John Brown - 60 acres, which he leased to William Watt for farming.

A portion of this area was cut up for township allotments, one of which was taken by Paul Cansick for his hotel.

Other people who lived in Lyons Street (Port Albert Road), Rosedale's first main street were:

James Widdowson of the Bridge Inn. He also conducted a butcher's shop.

Henry Luke, whose general store was on the corner of Lyons and Prince Streets. Henry Luke was also Rosedale's first postmaster. He also had the Exchange Hotel erected, the first licensee being David Fyffe.

George Ross, bootmaker. His wife was lost in the bush at Rosedale, and was never found, dead or alive.

John Williams, general store.

George Rintoull, blacksmith.

In Prince Street.

The Post Office - built by Henry Luke in 1867

Samuel Baker - the Postmaster, succeeding Henry Luke

James Vincent - bootmaker.

Bell and Rigby, chemists - a branch of their Walhalla business.

Ben Russell, cattle breeder. His place was later used as a Police Station.

Mounted Constable John O'Connor, who had been educated in Ireland for the medical profession.

Tom Maloney, teamster and horseman.

G. T. Jones, district-surveyor for four years.

Robert Robinson, saddler.

Poa Nine, baker, next to the State School. He was Chinese, had worked as a cook at neighbouring stations and married an English woman, Margaret Nine, to whom he was devoted.

Frank Liardet, Shire Secretary.

Thomas Williamson, pit-sawyer.

George King, butcher. His shop later became a printer's office for the Gippsland Guardian, of which Henry Luke was the owner and Mr. Britten, the editor. Then it became Dick Philippe's bar.

H. Powell, butcher. The Bank of Australasia (now A.N.Z.) occupied this site, later.

John Waite, carrier.

Henry Luke's New Store, facing the present Post-Office. From there to the Shire Hall was mainly swampy land.

In Hood Street.

Harry Bunston. It was later bought by Henry Luke, who leased it to John Linney, draper.

Henry Rintoull, carpenter. (George Rintoull's family used a double "1" in the name; James and Henry Rintoull used a single "1")

David Fraser, wheelwright.

Louis Loan, brewer, who later transferred his plant to Walhalla.

Tom Timms, wood-carter.

Bob Stammers, drover.

William Allen, builder.

Enoch Portsich, sawyer.

In Queen Street.

Neil Weir, teamster.

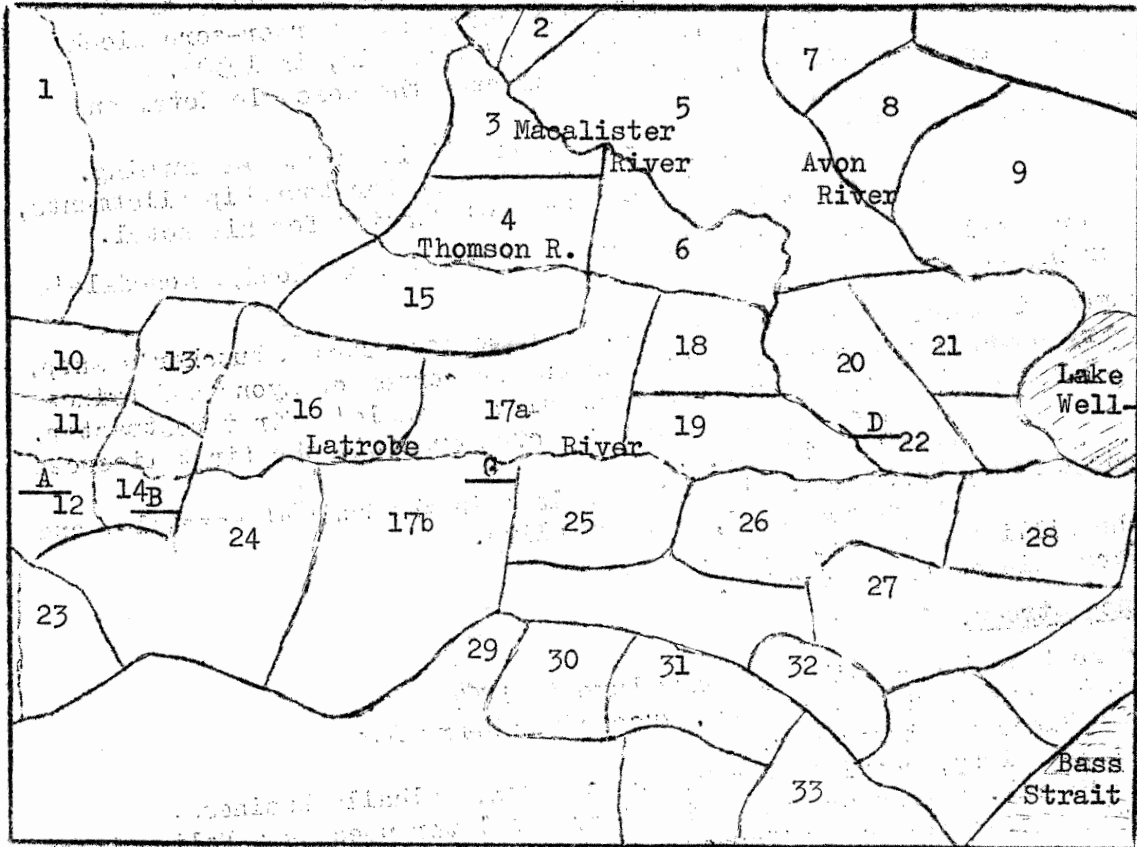
Alex Allen, pit-sawyer.

Charlie Stagg, carrier.

John Cairns, famous as a bagpipe player. He was the father of Miss Frances M. Cairns, school-teacher and church-organist.



Morwell, Traralgon, Rosedale, Sale and Cattle Statics.



Townships.

- A.... Morwell ..... in Maryvale Station
- B.... Traralgon ..... in Traralgon Station
- C.... Rosedale ..... in Snake Ridge Station
- D.... Sale ..... in The Heart Station

Stations. (Numbered roughly in lines west to east, and lines roughly north to south.)

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|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. Tyers                        | 17. Snake Ridge.                |
| 2. Glenfalloch                  | a. The Ridge. b. Sydney Cottage |
| 3. Glenmaggie                   | 18. Fulham                      |
| 4. Heyfield                     | 19. Kilmany Park                |
| 5. Boisdale                     | 20. The Heart                   |
| 6. Mewburn Park                 | 21. Clyde Bank                  |
| 7. Bushy Park                   | 22. Marlay Point                |
| 8. Stratford                    | 23. Scrubby Forest              |
| 9. Strathfieldsaye              | 24. Loy Yang                    |
| 10. River Tyers                 | 25. Holey Plains                |
| 11. Maryvale                    | 26. Tanjil                      |
| 12. Hazelwood                   | 27. Armadale                    |
| 13. Scarne                      | 28. Dutson                      |
| 14. Traralgon                   | 29. Merton                      |
| 15. Heyfield (southern section) | 30. Donibrook                   |
| 16. Rosedale                    | 31. Meadows                     |
|                                 | 32. Erin Vale.                  |
|                                 | 33. Coady Vale.                 |

Rivers.

- Avon (or Dunlop) (Western border of 7,8,9)
- McAlister (or Barney) (Western border of Boisdale)
- Thomson (or Machonachie) (Running through 15 and 20)
- Latrobe (or Glengarry) (Central line on above map)

Rosedale and the Neighbouring Cattle Stations.

It was the squatters who first explored, settled and developed Gippsland, the squatting era lasting for a period of approximately 35 years, from about 1835 to 1870. The three township centres of early importance - Port Albert, Sale and Rosedale - were simply service stations for the cattle stations. They were trade, transport and travel centres. On the previous page, we have drawn a map of the area, showing the cattle stations listed by Frank Whitcombe to begin his 1930 History of Rosedale, and below, we give Whitcombe's list of squatters occupying these stations:

3. Glenmaggie

(subdivided from Heyfield)

1859...M. Macfarlane.

13. Scarne.

1847...John Reeve

1853...T. Holt and Co.

1854...T. Holt Jun. and J. Croft.

1861...John King and Co.

1866...John King and A. S. King.

17. Snake Ridge.

1842...John Reeve

1849...T. Holt &amp; Co (John King).

1854...J. Croft

1861...John King and Co.

1866...Divided

19. Kilmany Park.

1841...Mrs. Helen Pearson

1848...William Pearson

18. Fulham.

1841...P. Imlay

1842...Captain Orr

1846...Francis Desailly Sen.

1853...Captain J.W. Jones (Holt &amp; Co)

28. Dutson.

1845...John King

1846...Frances Desailly Jun.

1848...E.C. Hughes &amp; J. Buckland

1853...J. M. McNaughton

29. Merton. (Now, Willung).

1843...E. W. Bayliss

1846...London &amp; Australian Agency Co.

1868...J. J. Bould

1871...J. W. Simmons

4. Heyfield

1841...James and M. Macfarlane

1859...James Macfarlane.

Later, James Tyson bought it freehold.

16. Rosedale.

1844...David Parry-Okeden

1850...D.P. Okeden and H. Dutton

1852...T. Holt and Co.

1861...John King

Later, Hoddinott; A.P. Bowman; Edwick.

17a. The Ridge (subdivision)

1866...Donald McLeod (member of firm of Pearson, Rowe &amp; Smith)

1871...William Essington King

1873...James Tyson

17b. Sydney Cottage.

1866...William Essington King.

25. Holey Plains.

1842...W. Curlewis

1845...Edward Crooke

26. Tanjil.

1844...T. and R.H. Bloomfield

1844...G. P. Desailly

1848...John Foster

1860...William Foster

1863...John Foster

1871...J. Campbell and T. C. Chandler

1877...J. Campbell.

33. Coady Vale. (later, called Prospect)

1843...Patrick Coady Buckley

1873...P. Clements.

The firm, T. Holt and Co. consisted of Thomas Holt, John Croft, Robert Tooth, Edwin Tooth, and John King.

It will be noted, that of the squatters mentioned above, the following served on the Rosedale Shire Council (and/or Rosedale Road Board):

Donald McLeod (The Ridge). He was a partner in the firm of Pearson, Rowe and Smith. He was a big man, 6 feet 4 inches tall, and broad in proportion.

John King and William Essington King. They were the second and third sons of Admiral Phillip Parker King, and grandsons of Governor King.

William Pearson (Kilmany). He was famous for his racing-stables, and also for his wealth, much of it gained from the Walhalla Long Tunnel Mine.

John W. Simmons (Merton, or Willung). A brother of Dr. E. L. Simmons, Rosedale.

Memories of Rosedale People.

James Bunston, 1858-1940.

For his 1930 History of Rosedale, Frank Whitcombe drew heavily from the reminiscences of the older Rosedale inhabitants, and of those who returned for the 1929 Back to Rosedale celebrations. "Bunston" is one of the oldest names, occurring in the King Diaries, 1854-1863. No doubt the Bunston mentioned there was the father of James Bunston, born 1857 - and therefore, certainly "a resident of Rosedale for 70 years" by 1929. Grave No. 1 in the Rosedale Cemetery is that of a member of the Bunston family.

James Bunston's father arrived in Gippsland in 1846. As a drover and teamster, James knew very well the stopping places on the old track from Sale to Melbourne. They were:

- |   |                                   |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| The Hunt Club Hotel at Wurruk;                                | Morwell Bridge - Peter Smith;     |
| The Rosedale Hotel at Rosedale,<br>conducted by Paul Cansick; | The Retreat (Moe) - Henry Miller; |
| The Bridge Inn at Rosedale,<br>conducted by John Shiels;      | Shady Creek - Nicol Brown;        |
| Traralgon Hotel - Duncan Campbell                             | Bunyip - Ned Connor;              |
|   | Berwick - Souters                 |
|   | Dandenong Hotel - Dunbar.         |

Probably James Bunstan was a pupil at the Rosedale School in 1867, when a side of the school collapsed, the pupils and the teacher, Mr. Gregory, narrowly escaping serious injury.

Cr. T. B. Anderson of Nambrok.

He had in his house an eight-day clock, bought in 1868, and bearing the name of T.E.Wilson, Watchmaker, next State School, Rosedale. The clock was still going well in 1929.

In 1868, Cr. Anderson's father purchased the Preemptive Right of Old Rosedale (the Station), extending well into Glengarry and Toongabbie. Glengarry, now drained and improved beyond recognition, was then a very wet place. Some time later, Mr. Anderson's father built his own place on Fell's Creek. He sold out to a Mr. Hunter. Then, Mr. Parramore bought part of the land and the old homestead.

Mr. Anderson's earliest recollections were of "good, old Dr. Simmons", of Cairnbrook (a later name for "Old Rosedale"), then owned by Pearson, and managed by Joe Hoddinott, with Charlie Varney as his head-stockman. J. and P. Bowman, were young men at the Ridge.

William Hobson, 1850-1929.

William Hobson was said to have been the first white child born at Kilmany Park. He lived first at the home of A. Pearson, King's Plains, then at John Simmons', later at Old Rosedale (or Fell's Creek), where his father died, and eventually at Holey Plains and Stradbroke, where he died in June, 1929, aged 79 years.

It is said of William Hobson that he had no equal as a concertina player. On one occasion, after delivering a mob of cattle in Melbourne, he reaped a harvest of coins for an old street-musician by borrowing his instrument and playing for him. Such was the quality of the music, that listeners crowded round him and temporarily blocked the street traffic.

Charles Smith.

Charles Smith was born at Port Albert in 1859 and moved to Rosedale in 1864. His father had secured by ballot, a 70 acre block on Blind Joe's Creek. He remembered other residents there were "Deaf Harry", and Bob Farley (Commissioner Bob). Other identities well-known in Rosedale were "One-armed Phillips", a charcoal-burner; Mrs. Buntine and Mrs. Flynn - widow of James Manton Flynn, after whom Flynn's Creek is named. In 1929, four of Charles Smith's brothers - Alf, Jack, Jim and Dave - were still living in Rosedale.

He was impressed by the number of big men, physically, who used to live in the Rosedale area. P. Cansick, J. Widdowson, J. Rowley, J. Farrell, C. Chown, T. O'Connor, and A.W. Bayliss, were all men well over six feet tall, and big in proportion. Some were more than 20 stone in weight.



Rosedale Shire.

On the next page, we have provided for you a map of the Shire of Rosedale, an immense area covering an expanse of approximately 860 square miles. The earliest local authority centred round Rosedale, the Rosedale Road Board, 1869-1871, administered a larger area still, stretching roughly from the present eastern boundaries of the Shire to as far west as Bunyip.

The chief source of information on municipalities is the yearly Municipal Directory which gives the composition of the various Councils for that year, the President, the officers of the Council, and also a description of the townships in the Shire.

The earliest municipal directory we were able to consult was that for 1872. It gave the following information about the Shire of Rosedale:

"Proclaimed a Road Board District, 15/2/1869. Proclaimed a Shire, 17/2/1871. Area - 640,080 acres (or approximately 2,000 sq.miles); Revenue - £5807; Net Annual Valuation - £34,010; Rate - 1/- in the £1; Rate-Payers in the Rate-Book - 661; Rate-Payers on the Roll - 396; Revenue from Tolls - £98.

President of the Council - William Essington King.

Councillors:- William Essington King; John Wright Simmons; George Gibson; Charles Naylor Henderson; Henry Luke; Denis O'Brien.

Secretary, Treasurer, Valuer and Collector - Samuel Robinson Dawson.

Engineer - George Thomas Jones.

Inspector of Nuisances - Mounted Constable John O'Connor.

Health Officer - Dr. Edward L. Simmons.

Pound-Keeper - Charles I. Du Ve.

Magistrate - William H. Foster, P.M.

Justices of the Peace - John Turnbull; William Pearson; Patrick C. Buckley; Edward L. Simmons; Henry Luke; Charles Naylor Henderson."

On the severance of Traralgon Shire from Rosedale Shire, the area of the latter dropped from 1,000 square miles to 860 square miles, the same as it is today.

The first descriptions of townships in the Shire of Rosedale were given in the Municipal Directory for 1880, the townships listed being Cowwarr, Longford, Rosedale, Toongabbie and Wurruk Wurruk.

Townships added to the list in later Directories were:- Stradbroke (1883); Glengarry (1885); Gormandale (1899); Denison (1910); Dutson (1910); Fulham (1910); Nambrok (1910); Willung (1910)

Later again, sometimes much later, further townships listed under Rosedale Shire, were:- Fulham; Hiamdale; Kilmany; Kilmany South; Seacombe; Golden Beach Estate (Lett's Beach) (1864); Locksport Estate (1964); and Seaspray (1966).

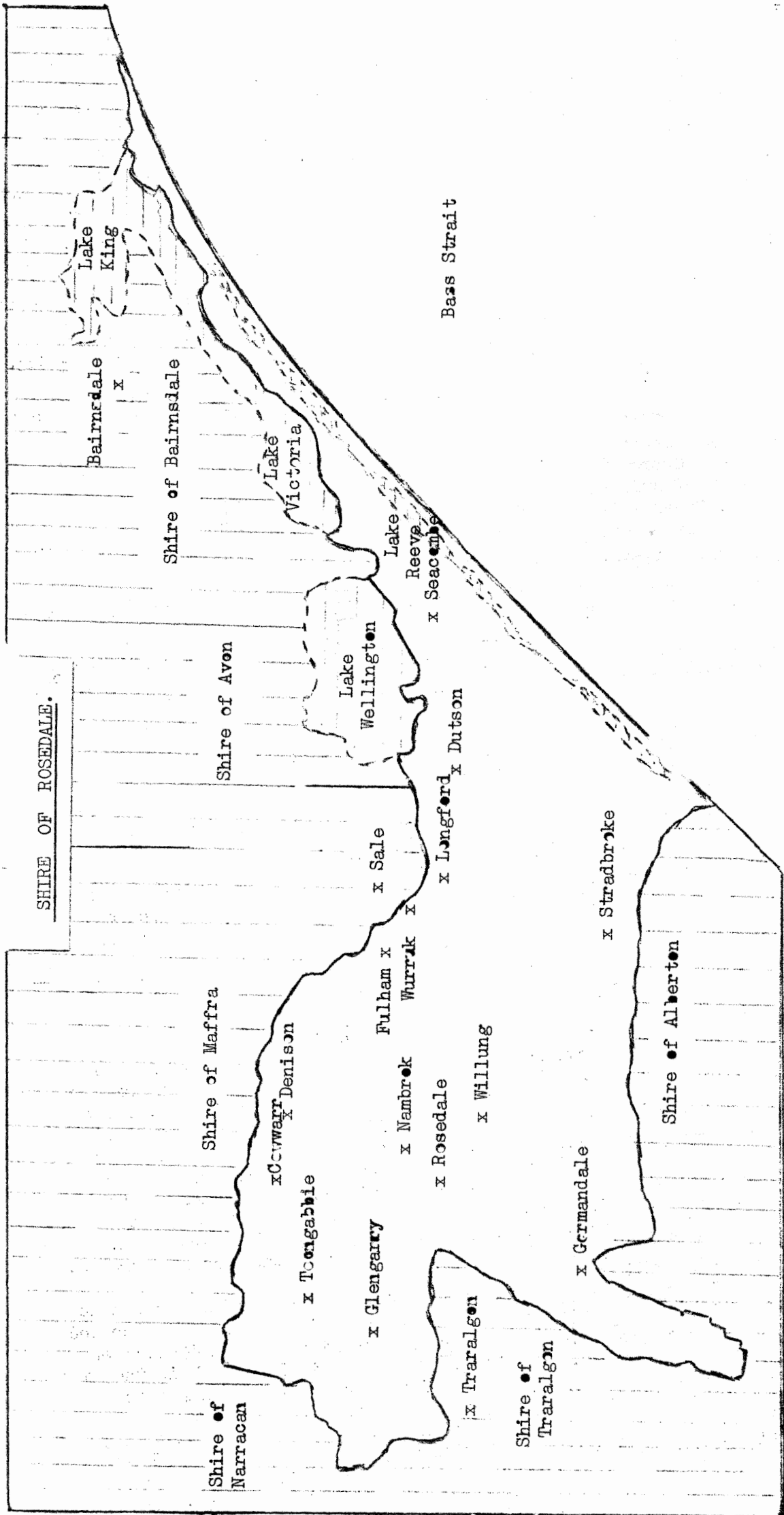
Townships in the Shire Of Rosedale.

Rosedale. (as described in the 1880 Directory).

"Rosedale, in the police district of Sale, is a post-town, having a post-office, savings bank, telegraph and money-order office. It is situated in the Gipps Land District, on the River Latrobe, about 128 miles E.S.E. of Melbourne. The route to it is by rail twice daily, or by steamer to Port Albert, twice a week, and thence 50 miles by coach or horse. The district is pastoral and agricultural in character. At present, 8171 acres are under tillage, wheat and potatoes being the predominant crops. Rosedale is the centre of Rosedale Shire District, and contains one State school, three churches, a mechanics' institute with 723 volumes, a branch of one bank, the Shire Council Chambers, and three hotels. The population is 259 persons. The Post Master is Samuel Baker."

In 1881, the population figure was given as 505, and there was no alteration in this figure until 1910, when a meagre rise to 520 was recorded. Again, there was no change given in the population figure until 1962, when it was 540. For over 80 years, therefore, there was little growth in the size of Rosedale. These last few years, we are witnessing a spectacular change.

The following Post Masters (or Post Mistresses) were listed between 1880 and 1910:- Samuel Baker (1880-1886); Miss A.S.Hellsten (1887-1889); Mrs. Moore (1890-1895) (with a Miss Dawkins apparently relieving in 1892); Mrs. Jane E. Schutt (1896-1899); Jessie Liston (1900-1901); Clara Eliza Burns, 1902-03; Maria O'Connor (1904); Lydia Laura Reynall (1906-?); Ethel Fisher (1909-1912); J. F. Rowlands (1913-1915); M. Neely (1916-1919).



Townships in the Shire of Rosedale (cont.)Cowwarr.

1880 Description:- Cowwarr is 142 miles from Melbourne, and has a population of 300 people. There are two churches, two hotels, a post-office and a State school.

In 1883, and until 1900, the population was given as 115, but from 1902 it was lifted to 200 (possibly due to the establishment of a butter-factory, first shown in that year)

In 1885, Cowwarr was described as "a mining town, with post-office and telegraph station, 113½ miles east of Melbourne, on a creek of the same name, near the River Thomson. The largest training-stable in Gippsland is here. It is a station on the Traralgon-Heyfield railway-line."

In that year, the number of hotels was given as three.

Post Mistresses named were Mrs. Gebhardt (1894-1898); Dora Andrews, or Dorothea Eliza Andrews, (1899-1910).

Longford. (Listed from 1880 onwards).

A postal township on the Thomson River, where it is crossed by the Port Albert - Sale Road. It is 148 miles from Melbourne and 47 miles from Port Albert. Connection to the railway at Sale is made by coach, which runs four times daily (Fare - 1/-). There is also a coach daily to Port Albert. The 1885 Directory mentions a State school at Longford - and also at Holey Plains, Coolungoolun, and at Dutson. Population - 55.

The only post master listed is Andrew Sutherland (1894-1910).

Toongabbie (Listed from 1880 onwards).

On the road, Sale to Walhalla, 136 miles east of Melbourne, and situated on the Rosedale Creek. Population - 150. There are two State schools and two hotels in the township or vicinity. The township has a post office, money-order office, telegraph and railway station (after 1885). It is on the Traralgon-Heyfield line. The 1885 account lists three State schools, three hotels, two churches, a mechanics' institute, and four sawmills in the township or vicinity. Robert Ferguson (1899-1910) is the only post-master listed.

Wurruk Wurruk. (Listed from 1880 onwards).

An agricultural and postal village near Sale, and 129 miles east of Melbourne. Population - 390. In 1885, a State school is shown. The post-master in 1899 was Alexander McGuinness; Charlotte Phillips had the office in 1904.

Stradbroke (Listed from 1883 onwards).

An agricultural and postal township, 159 miles east of Melbourne, on Merriman's Creek, reached via Sale. It is partly in Alberton Shire and partly in Rosedale Shire. Population - 103. There is a school and a post-office, the post master from 1894 to 1904 being Joseph Brand.

Glengarry (from 1885 onwards - the year of the construction of the Traralgon-Heyfield railway line.)

It has a post-office ( T. Purcell, 1899-1902; Christina Hart, 1910), apparently conducted at the railway station; two hotels, two schools, a church, and sawmills in the vicinity. Population - 120.

Gormandale (listed from 1899 onwards).

A postal hamlet, 12 miles from Rosedale. Post mistress from 1899 to 1904 was Kate Gilsenan.

Denison (from 1910 onwards).

120½ miles by rail from Melbourne. Post-master in 1910 - A.F. McKerrow.

Dutson. (1910) .. Nine miles from Sale. Post-mistress .. Mary Agnes Field.

Fulham. (1910) .. Station, 123½ miles from Melbourne; hotel; post-office with G. Curtis as the post-mistress.

Nambrok. (1910).. A railway siding, 119½ miles from Melbourne. Eight miles from Rosedale. A State school and two halls. Population - 80. Post-master in 1910 - D. Russell.

Willung (1910).. Nine miles from Rosedale. Post Mistress - Caroline Hillman.

Kilmany (1951).. Church, public hall, store, 119½ miles by rail from Melbourne.



Officers of the Shire of Rosedale.Shire Secretaries.

J. Hargrave was appointed Secretary pro.tem. of the Rosedale Road Board for a few weeks in 1869, and was succeeded in July of that year by Samuel Robinson Dawson, who continued in office when the Shire took the place of the Board in 1871.

1869-1880...Samuel Robinson Dawson. (Salary - £150 per annum)	1906-1909...Charles Alexander Stewart.
1881-1884...Arthur G. Gellion.	1910-1937..James Steel Lester.
1885-1889...Frank Liardet	1938-1960..Wm. Osborn Maguire.
1890-1905...James Richard Perrott.	1961- ....George W. Thompson.
<u>Assistant Shire Secretary.</u>	<u>Clerical Officer.</u>
1961- ...Edward W. Hammond.	1955- ....William R. Thirde.

Shire Engineers.

In 1869, the Rosedale Road Board appointed George Thomas Jones, as its surveyor (or engineer as we would call the office now) on a salary of £225 per annum. He, also, was retained by the Shire after the change-over in 1871.

1869-1874...George Thomas Jones.	1911-1923...Henry Leslie Keys.
1875-1880...George Kelly	1924-1925...James D. Webster.
1881-1884...William Rooney	1926-1946...James Forbes Wilson.
1885-1888...Henry V. Champion.	1947-1948...Sydney John Bowden.
1889-1892...John Heathfield William Pettit.	1949-1958...Alfred A.F. Holmes.
1893-1910...John Henderson.	1959- ...Phillip Morris.

Assistant Engineers.

1958-1962...E. W. J. Smith.
1962- - ...M. R. Scott.
1963- - ...G. J. Blackman.

Cadet Engineers.

1955-1957... W. T. Pitts.
1968- - ... R. J. McQuillen.

Health Officers.

1871-1881...Dr. Edward L. Simmons.
1882-1885...Dr. Archibald MacDonald.
1886.....Dr. James Forrester Matthews.
1887-1888...Dr. George Albert Walpole.
1889-1891...Dr. Clarence Henry Waters.
1892-1901...Dr. Lyster Andrew Nolan (Rosedale) and Dr. John Park Montgomery (Toongabbie).
1902-1905...Dr. L. A. Nolan (Rosedale-Denison); Dr. Wm.A.Spring (Toongabbie).
1906-1909...Dr. A. MacDonald (R.and D.); Dr. Thos. A. McLean (Toongabbie).
1910.....Dr.Percy Gayan Clarke; Dr.Thomas Alexander McLean.
1911-1915...Dr.John Frederick Cobb; Dr.Thomas Alexander McLean.
1916-1923...Dr.Gustave Alfred Hagenauer; Dr.Thomas Alexander McLean, and Dr. Henry Alexander Hagenauer.
1924-1931...Dr. Arthur McArthur Lanphier.
1932-1933...Dr. Herbert Gibb; Dr.Charles Charles Campbell; Dr. T.A.McLean.
1934-1936...Dr. Herbert I. Gibb; Dr. David Fitzpatrick; Dr. T.A.McLean.
1937- .....Dr. James N. Shelton; Dr.David Fitzpatrick; Dr. T.A.McLean.
1938-1944...Dr. E. A. Briglia Dr.David Fitzpatrick; Dr. T.A.McLean.
1945-1952...Dr. A. McA. Lanphier; Dr.David Fitzpatrick; Dr. T.A.McLean.
1953-1957...Dr. A. McM. Lanphier; Dr.David Fitzpatrick; Dr. Trevor McLean.
1958-1960...Dr. David I. Fitzpatrick; and Dr. Trevor A. McLean.
1961-.....Dr. R. Ackland; Dr. F.M.Mansfield; Dr. Trevor A. McLean.
1962-1964...Dr. R. Ackland; Dr. Trevor A. McLean.
1965.....Dr. Trevor A. McLean.

Stipendiary Magistrates.

1875- ?...W. H. Foster	1910-1918..W. W. Harris	1947-48..J.P.Gloster
1880-1890...A. W. Howitt	1929-1932..F. W. Bond.	1949-53..W. J. Cuthill
1891-1892...D. B. Daly	1933.....A. Noonan	1954- ?..R. J. Kelly.
1893-1894...E. C. Bell	1934-1936...J. E. Thompson	
1895-1909...C.A.C. Cresswell.	1937-1946...J. R. Burke.	

More about Rosedale People.Mrs. Mary Anne Iseppi (nee Smith).

Mary Ann Smith was born in 1857 and lived first in the Denison area and later, from 1867, in Cowwarr. At the Back to Rosedale celebrations held in 1929, she recorded that at one stage she lived beside the creek and near the home of Charles Ignatz Du Ve. She remembered Donald McLeod at the Snake Ridge Station; John King of Nambrok, who used to drive a pair of white horses to Rosedale Church on Sundays; W. Moore, who kept a shop in which he sold furniture made by himself; John Williams; the Hickeys; the Rowleys; Rigby, the chemist; and Beatty, the schoolmaster.

Her brother was the first butcher-boy employed by James Widdowson, Rosedale's first inn-keeper, conducting the shanty which later became the Bridge Inn.

In 1937, from January to March, the Traralgon "Journal" carried a series of articles written by Mr. O. S. Martin, on Cowwarr, in preparation for a Back to Cowwarr to be held at Easter time, that year. This prompted a letter from a reader, over the initials M. A. I, and we think this writer must have been Mrs. Mary Ann Iseppi. Here is what she wrote:

"When I first came to Cowwarr from Denison, where we lived on a part of the late James Tyson's Estate, in the year 1867, I was then ten years old. On the late Mr. George Wood's property stood the first bark shanty, kept by C. Johnson and his wife. Their daughter Lizzie was drowned in the backwaters there. She was found by Hughie Doherty.

Mr. James Johns was the next to build on this block; it was a house with slab sides and a bark roof.

My first memories of Hughie Doherty were before he was married, and when he lived in a bark hut beside the backwater, near Mr. and Mrs. Hillier. He prospered in the carrying business, carting provisions from Port Albert, by bullock team, along with William Hillier and Thomas Neilson.

It was near the old stock yards on the Heyfield Road, that the late Mr. Denis O'Brien's homestead stood. His son's present property was owned by James Doyle.

The first hotel was kept by Gebhardt,—the same hotel now conducted by Mrs. Boyd. It was there that most of the dances were held in a room built on to the back for that purpose.

William Fogarty built the first store. I knew him before, when he used to deliver drapery in the Denison area, with a pair of horses in a caravan.

The next hotel was built of bricks by Ned Jones Senior, and kept by him and his two daughters, Emma (now Mrs. Doolan), and Lizzie (the late Mrs. Slater). Later, the hotel was leased by the late William Allen.

It was at this time that Robert Pollock, one of the first bullock-drivers in the locality, cleared most of Mr. Allen's property, now known as Chester's Estate.

After that, Bob Pollock carted milling timber for Munro's saw-mill, Mr. Eldridge being the manager of the mill, which was on the opposite side from where the butter-factory now stands. Mr. Eldridge resided in Mrs. Gibney's cottage. Mrs. Gibney was a dress-maker.

The school was then conducted in the Roman Catholic Church by a Mr. Tennyson. The only shoemaker was Mr. James King.

Here is a list of many of the people who lived in Cowwarr in my

time:	Dick Eldridge;	Dan Luske;	Johnny Jackson;
	Dan Kilmartin;	William Hobson;	Jack Evans (butcher);
	Alex Drane;	Harry Davis;	George Anderson (saddler);
	Mr. and Mrs. Wilks;	Mr. & Mrs. Davis;	Ned Cummings (blacksmith);
	Mr. & Mrs. Page;	Mick Doyle;	The Hamilton Family;
	Mr. & Mrs. W. Thompson;	Harry Sherwood;	Joe Garrett.

Thomas Smith

Thomas Smith emigrated from County Meath, Ireland, to New South Wales in 1840, and twenty years later, in 1860, moved to Rosedale, occupying a farm of 480 acres, three miles out of Rosedale.

Charles Smith.

Charles Smith, born in England, 1826, arrived in Gippsland in 1856, and finally settled on Woodland Farm, comprising an area of 314 acres, at Rosedale.

John Shiel, 1824-1908.

John Shiel was one of the very early identities of Rosedale, coming to the area before 1850, in the first years of the squatting era.

Born in Sydney in 1824, he went as a young man to Monaro, N.S.W. and then to Omeo, Victoria, where he was employed by Edward Crooke, who took up the Holey Plains Run in 1845. John Shiel came with Edward Crooke to Holey Plains, which developed into a first-class, horse-breeding station, supplying horses for the Melbourne market and also for the Gippsland Police.

On the death of Mr. Crooke, John Shiel became manager of the Lucknow Estate until it was sold and subdivided. Then he bought part of the old Scrubby Forest Run (in the present Yinnar district), where he owned some very rich land. He also owned Mt. St. Jean. When he went to live at Rosedale, he purchased the old Bridge Inn, first established by James Widdowson.

He married the eldest daughter of Mrs. Patrick Hickey, who, for many years, kept the Limerick Castle Inn in Melbourne, a well-known hostelry in the early squatting days. His eldest sister married into the James Tyson family.

Peter Sinnbeck, 1832-1898John James Sinnbeck, 1866-1931Mrs. Lillian Elizabeth Sutherland (nee Sinnbeck)

Peter Sinnbeck was born in Schleswig-Holstein, Germany, in 1832, and must have emigrated to Australia as a young man. In the 1860's, local newspapers carried the advertisement, "The Rosedale Horse Bazaar - adjoining the Royal Hotel - Proprietor, P. Sinnbeck". The Cemetery records show that he was buried in the Rosedale Cemetery, 30th. June, 1898, aged 66 years. He was twice married, firstly to Annie Foy, through whose son, John James Sinnbeck, we follow the family line, and secondly, to Harriet Smith.

John James Sinnbeck was born at Rosedale in 1866, lived in Gippsland all his life, and was buried in Rosedale Cemetery, 25th. September, 1931, aged 65. He was Manager of the Snake Ridge Station till 1899, and then for one year, 1889-1900, was Manager and Part-Owner of the old Bridge Hotel, Rosedale. From 1900 to 1903, he conducted the Swan Hotel, Sale; then the Albion Hotel, Raymond Street, Sale, 1903-1908, and finally the Market Hotel, Sale, 1908-1911. He retired in 1911, and from then on till his death in 1931, he lived with the family of his eldest daughter, Mrs. Lillian Sutherland.

In 1885, John James Sinnbeck married a lady 15 years older than himself, - Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Davis (nee Paragreen), a widow with six children - and there were four children of the marriage:

Lillian Elizabeth, b. 1886;	Leon Percival, 1888 (drowned at Rosedale,
Athol John, 1890-1961	in 1900)
Sydney Vivian, 1892 (now living in Sydney)	

Mrs. Lillian Elizabeth Sutherland (nee Sinnbeck) was born 27/10/1886, at Snake Ridge Station, Rosedale, where her father, John James Sinnbeck, was first an employee, and then Manager.

In 1906, when her father had the Albion Hotel, Sale, she married George Albert Sutherland, son of Andrew Ogilvie Sutherland, who came from the Orkney Islands, and Honorah Sutherland (nee Killeen), who came from County Clare, Ireland. Andrew Sutherland conducted the Post Office and a small general store at Longford for 45 years.

Young George Sutherland worked on the railways, and his wife also found a position with the Railway Department, filling appointments as station mistress and post-mistress at a succession of small, wayside stations or sidings. The young Sutherland couple lived first at Sale, 1906-1908, then at Welshpool, 1908-1911, and Tinambra, 1911-1915. Her first position as station-mistress was at Darlimurla, 1915-1925, followed by Waia (between Numurkah and Nathalia), 1925-27; Fulham (4 miles out of Sale) 1927 till the station was closed in 1939; and finally Cosgrove (between Shepparton and Dookie) 1939 until she retired in 1944.

She also acted as reliever at Yinnar, Almurta (South Gippsland line), Kingston (near Ballarat), Glen Forbes (near Wonthaggi), Lyndhurst (3 miles from Dandenong), and finally at Yinnar again.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sutherland had a family of two sons and five daughters - Leslie (Howard Street, Sale); Eva (Mrs. Pell, Echuca); Bertha (Mrs. Roscoe, Shepparton); Daphne (Mrs. Maddern, Woodville, S.A.); Doris (Mrs. Morrison, Wonthaggi); Rita (Mrs. Davidson, Liddiard Street, Traralgon), and Ian (Traralgon).

Mr. Sutherland died at Echuca, 1962. Mrs. Sutherland, a wonderful, old lady of 83, now lives with her daughter - at 78 Haverfield Street, Echuca, 3625.



George Gibson of Wandocka, Denison, 1824-1882.

This is the story of George Gibson, the first school-teacher at Toongabbie, 1866, one of the earliest settlers at Denison, 1867, a member of the Rosedale Road Board, 1870; a member of the first Rosedale Shire Council, 1871, and the fifth President of Rosedale Shire, 1875-1876, as told to us by his grand-daughter, Miss Innes Cameron, 24 Yarra Street, Hawthorn, 3122.

George Gibson, son of Peter and Mary Gibson, farmers, was born in the extreme north-east of Scotland in the County of Caithness, not far from the coast facing the Orkney Islands. Later on in life, when he was a member of the Presbyterian Congregation of Sale, Victoria, he was to have as his Minister, Rev. William Spence Log n, the pioneer Gippsland clergyman, stationed at Sale, 1854-1886, whose only other station had been at Papa Westray, one of the Orkney Islands, 1844-1853.

George Gibson, in 1854, married Elizabeth Sutherland, 1834-1878, daughter of a farmer in the neighbourhood, and immediately afterwards, the young couple set sail for Victoria, Australia, in the sailing ship, "Black Eagle". It was the days of the gold rushes, when land-owners found themselves short of good, agricultural workers and looked hopefully to the immigrant ships for likely men to employ. William Pearson of Kilmany Park, Gippsland, boarded the "Black Eagle" as soon as she docked, and hired George Gibson as a shepherd, immediately, for £80 a year. They travelled to Port Albert by the paddle steamer "Murray", and thence to Kilmany Park by bullock dray.

Within two years, George Gibson was ready to strike out for himself. In partnership with another young man, Robert Wright Knox, in 1856, he bought two blocks of land in Sale, built two houses, one for himself and one to let, and ran a few cattle and sheep.

Gibson and Knox tried their hands at gold-mining at Bald Hills in 1857, unsuccessfully, although gold was found later at their claim. They turned to business, and opened a store and accommodation house, known as the Back Creek Hotel, at Bald Hills. Their supplies ordered from William Bell and Co., Melbourne, came by sea to Port Albert, and then through Rosedale and Toongabbie. The business prospered and the Gibson family employed a governess to educate the children.

In 1866, the partners sold their store and hotel, moved to Toongabbie, and looked for an opening to buy land and to return to farming. It was during this in-between time, that George Gibson, at the request of the Toongabbie people, opened the first school there, but he stayed only three months. The Education Department was too slow to approve and to pay, and good land had become available at Denison. The first survey of the Denison area took place in 1867, and at the first sale in that year, Gibson and Knox bought 267 acres, which was later increased to 1350 acres, fronting the Thomson River, and called "Wandocka" or "Big Water".

The next eight years, 1867-1875 saw George Gibson rise to the height of his prosperity, success and happiness. Everything had gone well. He had a good wife, a happy family, a prosperous property, a successful investment in a mine at Walhalla, and a high standing in the community.

George and Elizabeth Gibson had nine children - Peter, 1855-1875; Alexander, born 1857; Jane (Mrs. Thomas Mills), 1859; Mary, 1861; Margaret (Mrs. Cameron) 1864; Tynie, 1866; Barbara, 1869; Charles, 1871-1890; and Agnes, 1873.

George Gibson was elected to the Rosedale Road Board in 1870, and to the Rosedale Shire Council, 1871, filling the office of President, 1875-1876.

The last seven years of George Gibson's life, 1875-1882, was a sad time, as family sorrows and financial worries beset him.

His eldest son, Peter Gibson, an intelligent and popular young man, had been educated, along with his brother Alex, at the fashionable public school of the time, Hawthorn Grammar School, and was appointed a teacher at the Sale State School, 1873. Always rather delicate, he contracted pneumonia and died, 1875, aged 20. About the same time, the mother, Elizabeth (or Betsey) Gibson began to decline in health, and after three years of ill-health including long periods of medical attention in Melbourne, died of consumption in 1878, aged 44 years.

The Berry Government which came into office at this time imposed crippling land taxes on supposedly well-to-do people like George Gibson. The Walhalla gold-mine declined and was taken over by the Long-Tunnel Company. Just when money was scarcest, the partner, Robert Wright Knox withdrew himself and his capital. George Gibson was forced to sell Wandocka in 1881. In January, 1882, George Gibson was killed in a buggy accident while driving from Scottsdale to Launceston, when the horses bolted. He was only 58 years old.

Richard Philippe, 1839-1906.

In the Rosedale Mechanics' Institute are two large, framed photographs of the two men who did most to establish the Institute - William Allen and Richard Philippe. On the back of each photo is pasted a newspaper cutting telling something of the life story of each man. The photo of William Allen states that it was presented to him on the occasion of the jubilee of his residence in Rosedale, 11th. July, 1908. It seems likely that the photo of Richard Philippe was presented to the Institute about the same time (1908) as a memorial to him, since he had died two years earlier, in 1906. The newspaper cutting reads:

"Richard Philippe, died Boulder City, Western Australia, 1906, after a long illness, at the age of 66 years.

He arrived in Victoria from England in 1855, and was employed for some time with his brother at Flemington. In 1859, he settled at Rosedale and established a brick and tile yard business.

Prior to coming to Rosedale he had travelled through the north of Victoria as a member of a dramatic company. He continued to take a great interest in theatrical matters when he came to Rosedale and took a leading part in organizing local entertainments to raise funds for the Rosedale Mechanics' Institute. He was a committee member of the Institute for many years. In 1898, he went to the gold rush in Western Australia, and succeeded so well that his family followed him soon afterwards and obtained good positions in mining companies.

He is survived by his widow, four sons and two daughters. He was a nephew of Mr. Allen and Mrs. Fountain. His younger son, Philip, was for many years a member of the staff of the local newspaper."

From Mr. Philip Herbert Philippe of 23 Farnham Street, Flemington, 3031, we have received the following precise information about Richard Philippe's family. Here it is.

Richard Philippe, brick-maker, was born in London in 1839, and married at Sale, Victoria, 24/12/1862, Eliza Howells, who was born at Monmouth, Wales, in 1839. They had nine children, (six boys and three girls), whom we list below:

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| James William, born 1863;                          | John Francis, 1871-1953, unmarried;    |
| Eliza Jane, 1864, died young<br>of diphtheria;     | Sarah Cooper, 1874-1964 (Mrs. Rockett) |
| Richard Henry, 1866, died in<br>drowning accident; | Ada, 1875-1966 (Mrs. J. Holmes);       |
| Alfred Ernest, 1868-1871,<br>died, aged 13 years;  | Bertrand Charles, 1879-1949.           |
|  | Philip Herbert, born 10/3/1881.        |

Rosedale Newspapers.

"The Rosedale Guardian".

The first newspaper in Gippsland was the "Port Albert Guardian", which began in October, 1855. The paper moved to Rosedale for a short period, 2/1/1867 to 17/9/1867, with the name of the "Rosedale Guardian", and finally went to Sale, September, 1868, and settled for the name of "Gippsland Guardian". Rosedale hardly figures at all in the "Guardian of 1860", but by 1867-1868, it was supplying the bulk of the advertisements and news - or at least a fair proportion of the whole. Here are the advertisements in the issue for October, 1867:

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| Rosedale Hotel...Paul Cansick;                        | Surgeon, Prince St. ...E.L.Simmons; |
| Royal Hotel, Rosedale...Mrs. Clark;                   | Butcher.....H. Powell;              |
| Bridge Inn, Rosedale....Thomas Dixon;                 | Butcher.....Thos.Dixon;             |
| Rosedale Horse Bazaar...P. Sinnbeck;                  | Tailor (at Royal Hotel)..Jas.Smith; |
| Rosedale Forge.....Thos. Toone;                       | Bootmaker, Lyons St....George Ross; |
| Rosedale Tannery.....Paul Cansick;                    | Drapers, Prince St.....J.C.Linney;  |
| Rosedale Store,Prince St..H.Luke;                     | Painter, Plumber.....W. Weller;     |
| General Store.....J. Williams;                        | Cabinet-Maker.....W. Moore;         |
| Rosedale Bakery (opposite School-House).....Poa Nine; |                                     |
| Teacher of Pianoforte and Tuner.....W.H.Dunne;        |                                     |
| Saddlers, Rosedale and Stratford.....Bull and Sons.   |                                     |

"The Rosedale Courier".

This paper was established at Rosedale about 1882, and continued on till the 1940's, when it suspended publication, no doubt because of World War Two.

The Latrobe Valley Historical Societies.Excursions.1. Excursion to Rosedale, Sunday, 23/3/69.

This proved to be one of the most successful excursions yet conducted in the Latrobe Valley by the local historical societies. Twenty cars carried more than 60 people, coming from as far afield as Yarram, Berwick, and even Melbourne, to enjoy a well-organized function taking place in perfect weather. Guides for the day were Mr. E. M. Croke of Holey Plains, and Mr. George Anderson of Rosedale.

First, we were given a picture of the general plan of Early Rosedale. The first main street was the Rosedale to Port Albert Road, and here were to be found the first two hotels - the Bridge Inn of Old Jimmy Widdowson, and the Rosedale Hotel of Paul Cansick. On the opposite side of the road - but not directly opposite - were the premises of the first blacksmith, George Rintoull, the first storekeeper, Henry Luke, and the first saddler and bootmaker, George Ross.

Immediately behind the site of the Old Bridge Inn (both on the eastern side of the Port Albert Road) was the site of Blind Joe's Hut, the first building in Rosedale.

Later in the afternoon, we visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. McMicken, a mile or so south of Rosedale, mainly to see a silver tea-set, which had been presented to Dr. Archibald McDonald of Sale, for his help in arresting two "bushrangers", who had attempted to hold up the Bank of Australasia, Moe, in November, 1879. Mrs. McMicken is a grand-daughter of Dr. McDonald. Historians in the Wimmera, and particularly in Horsham, will be interested to know that Dr. McDonald practised in Horsham in the early 1860's, and in 1862, married Miss Christina Langlands, daughter of George Langlands, Horsham's first storekeeper and postmaster.

2. The Excursion to Rosedale Cemetery, Sunday, 27/4/69.

This cemetery is one of the oldest in Gippsland, and is better documented than most. A plan of the Cemetery, together with notes on the oldest and most interesting graves historically, enabled those who attended, to use their time most effectively.

3. The Excursion to Snake Ridge, Sunday, 16/11/69.

In attendance, this excursion easily eclipsed any other previously organized in this area. More than 250 people enjoyed the visit to this historic homestead. A charge of 50 cents per person was made in order to raise funds for the Eva West Memorial Scholarship and this brought in the very gratifying amount of \$130. A portable loud-speaker set made the few brief speeches much more audible, and therefore much more informative and interesting. The present owner of Snake Ridge is Mr. Lionel Bowman.

Other Activities of the Latrobe Valley Societies, 1969.1. Traralgon Meeting, Tuesday, 25/3/69.

Addresses on "Rosedale" by Mr. E. M. Croke, and Mr. I. T. Maddern.

2. Folk Law Council Concert at Boolarra, Saturday, 29/3/69.3. Traralgon, 6/5/69.

An illustrated talk (slides) on "Travel and History" .. Mr. A. Summerton.

4. Rosedale, Thursday, 5/6/69. Opening of the new Civic Offices, Rosedale, by His Excellency, Sir Rohan Delacombe, Governor of Victoria.

Exhibition of historical photographs, arranged by Mrs. Jean Court.

5. Traralgon, Tuesday, 24/6/69.

"Droving Ballads" ... Sung by Trevor King.

6. Traralgon, Tuesday, 5/8/69.

An address on "Aborigines" .. Mrs. Jean Court.

7. Morwell, Wednesday, 24/9/69.

"Australia to England by Sailing Ship, 1893" - The Diary of W.H.W. Payne during his voyage round Cape Horn.

8. Morwell, Friday, 19/9/69 .. Combined Societies! Dinner, Golden Hill.

"The Russell Creek Gold Diggings" .. address by Mr. A. Summerton.

"The Life and Death of Ned Stringer" ... address by Dr. T.A. McLean.

"Goldfields of Gippsland" .. address by Dr. C. Bridges-Mebb.

9. Traralgon, Tuesday, 28/10/69.

"History of Traralgon Shire" ... address by Cr. Eric Farmer.

10. Traralgon, Monday, 17/11/69.

"History of the Search for Oil in Gippsland" .. Mrs. Margaret Carlyon.

11. Traralgon, Tuesday, 9/12/69. .. "Christmas" or Final Meeting, 1969.

"Coloured Slides of Traralgon" ... Traralgon Rotary Club.



Obituaries.

Mr. Syd Burton, Traralgon, 1/5/69.

The oldest member of the Traralgon Historical Society, Mr. Syd Burton (or T. S. Burton) died on Thursday, 1st. May, 1969, aged 92 years. Mr. Burton was a wonderful old man, active both mentally and physically, until a few days before his death. He was a regular attender of our meetings and excursions, and a valuable source of information about Traralgon, as early as the 1880's. For example, he was able to guide us to the site of the old Loy Yang State School, on the highway, about five miles east of Traralgon. He actually attended this school, which was in existence for only 16 years - 1884-1899 - and was taught by that excellent teacher, "Freddie" Hagens (or Miss Frederica Hagens), who was stationed there, 1884-1896.

His end was hastened by the shock of the death of his "best friend", - his son, Norman, who died suddenly, a week earlier.

The Traralgon "Journal" of the 5th. May, carried this obituary notice:

"He was one of the original members of the Traralgon Fire Brigade, a member of the Historical Society, President of the old Athletic Club, President for several terms, and committee-man for almost 40 years, of the Traralgon Racing Club, and finally, a life-member of the Elderly Citizens Club."

His wife, Isabell, and his son Norman (died on Friday, 25th. April) predeceased him. His eldest son, Jack, of Byron Street, Traralgon, and the youngest son, Donald, who lives in Sydney, survive him.

Miss Eva West, M.B.E., Traralgon, 20/6/69.

The death occurred on Friday, 20/6/69, of Miss Eva West, the most distinguished member of our Latrobe Valley Historical Societies.

Miss West was born in Traralgon in September, 1888, so that she and her father, the late Mr. Walter West, M.L.A., encompassed in their lives a great part of the history of Traralgon. Miss West was a highly intelligent woman, gifted with a retentive and accurate memory, and, as a citizen of Traralgon, served that community efficiently and honorably for the whole of her life. She was the first woman in Australia to be admitted as a chartered accountant. This was in 1918. She was the Secretary to the Traralgon Shire from 1934 to 1946, and was awarded the M.B.E. in 1958. The Traralgon "Journal" of the 23rd. June, 1969, in its obituary notice, paid a long and well-deserved tribute to this fine woman.

Mr. Ern Nadenbousch, Morwell, 23/6/69.

One of Morwell's oldest and best-respected residents, Mr. Ern Nadenbousch, died, 23/6/69, at the Central Gippsland Hospital, Traralgon. In one of the early issues of the "News" - in Chapter 17 of Volume 2, 1963 - we told the story of "The Swiss Family, Nadenbousch". Ern's parents, Alphonse Nadenbousch and Bertha Nadenbousch (nee Deppeler) were amongst the first selectors in the Morwell area. Alphonse Nadenbousch, 1843-1925, came from Neuchatel in the French-speaking section of Switzerland, while the Deppelers came from Ottenbach in the German-speaking section. Alphonse Nadenbousch married Bertha Deppeler in Sale, in 1873.

Miss. Emma E. Bridle, Morwell, 19/7/69.

The oldest member of the Morwell Historical Society, and a highly-esteemed citizen of Morwell, Miss Emma Eliza Bridle died in Traralgon Hospital, Saturday, 19/7/69, aged 90 years. She was born at Yarrpturk, near Koroit, in the Western District of Victoria, 10/4/1879, the daughter of Robert Bridle and Sarah Bridle (nee Fish). The family moved to Morwell in 1897, having bought the Airlie Bank property on Waterhole Creek, from the Ogilvie Family. This area is now a residential area, known as the Bridle Estate.

Something of the genealogy and the story of the Bridle Family was published by us in our issue for 10/2/1966, Volume 5, No. 1.

The First Men on the Moon.

We feel that we should record the main facts of this incredible feat.

Wednesday, 16/7/69. Neil Armstrong, Edwin Aldrin, and Michael Collins left Cape Kennedy, Florida, U.S.A. in Apollo 11, for the moon.

Sunday, 20/7/69.....They arrived at the moon, and orbited round it, preparing themselves and the module, "Eagle", for the actual landing.

Monday, 21/7/69.....Armstrong and Aldrin landed "Eagle" on the moon, emerged from it and walked on the moon. Collins remained in Apollo 11, controlling.

Tuesday, 22/7/69....The journey back to Earth began.

Friday, 25/7/69.....The astronauts splashed down safely in the Pacific Ocean.