

# A SECOND CHANCE

## CHAPTER 1

### TRANSPORTED TO AUSTRALIA

This book covers the story of the Street family during the reign of four monarchs of England:

George III	1760 - 1820
George IV	1820 - 1830
William IV	1830 - 1837
Victoria	1837 - 1901

Richard Street was born at Norton, Hertfordshire, in 1798 to William and Sarah. He was baptized on 31 May 1812 at Norton. His sister Ann, was baptized on 14 June 1812, also at Norton, although she had been born before Richard, on 10 February 1794.

Richard's early manhood saw great changes in the life-style of many people. Some brought much wretchedness. The cottage industry had produced most of England's manufactured goods for centuries, but it seemed almost overnight that machines took over. This meant that the goods, which previously had been made in villages around England, were now produced in large cities. Laws were also introduced making it compulsory to build enclosures around farming allotments. Many of the small farmers couldn't afford the costs involved, and were forced to sell their properties.

People moved to the large cities looking for work. Conditions in the factories were appalling and long hours were worked for poor wages. The necessities of life such as food, clothing and accommodation were expensive.

Stealing increased - people had to eat. Unsympathetic laws made over two hundred offences (mainly stealing) punishable by death, and those convicted of petty crimes were given heavy jail sentences. Prisons became crowded and convicts were sent to U.S.A., and later Australia, to relieve the crowded jail conditions.

At this time in history, Richard worked on the land as a ploughman and gardener, as indeed his father probably had. I like to think that he was a typical young man of his time, full of life, a bit mischievous, and a hard worker.

His convict record describes him thus:

Height	5'7"
Complexion	Brown
Head	Oval
Hair	Light Brown
Whiskers	Light Brown
Forehead	High
Visage	Narrow
Eyebrows	Light Brown
Eyes	Hazel
Nose	Long
Mouth	Wide
Chin	Short
Other	Slight scar over right eyebrow

On 17 June 1818 Richard married Elizabeth Holland. Witnesses were William Street and John Wright. Banns had earlier been made on 17, 24 and 31 May 1818.

*Richard Street of the Parish of Norton and Elizabeth Holland of this Parish were married in this Church by Banns this seventeenth Day of June in the Year One thousand eight hundred and eighteen*

*By me Jerelt. Owen, Curate*

*This Marriage was solemnized between us* (Richard Street X  
(Elizabeth Holland X

*In the Presence of* (William Street  
(John Wright

[copy from the Parish Register]

Elizabeth was baptized on 26 August 1792. She was the eldest of eight children born to James and Sarah (nee Hill). Elizabeth died on 28 August 1832. As far as can be ascertained, there were no children from the marriage.

Richard married for a second time on 16 March 1833. The ceremony took place at Pirton, Hertfordshire, and the bride was Jemima Miles. Witnesses were Samuel and Amey Roberts. Banns were proclaimed on 10, 17 and 24 February 1833.

*Richard Street of this Parish and Jemima Miles of this Parish were married in this Church by Banns on the sixteenth Day of March in the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty three*

*By me Hugh Seymour Yates, Curate*

*This Marriage was solemnized between us* (Richard Street X  
(Jemima Miles X

*In the Presence of* (Samuel Roberts X  
(Amey Roberts X

[copy from the Parish Register]

Jemima was baptized at Ickleford, Hertfordshire, on 5 June 1808. Her parents, Thomas and Sarah (nee Tailor), had seven children (Amey Roberts was one). Jemima's ancestors can be traced back to the 1650's.

Jemima became a straw plaiter. Straw hats and bonnets were very popular and many wives supplemented the family income by being involved in this industry. In fact, in many instances wives earned more than their agriculturally-employed husbands. This affected the traditional dominant status of the male as the breadwinner.

Rye, barley, and even grasses could be used for straw plaiting. However, the best was wheat stalks. Local farmers were naturally delighted as they received a double benefit from their crop. The straw was dampened and made pliable by passing through splint mill rollers. It was kept damp for working by being held in the mouth of the plaiter.

It is thought Jemima had two children before she married Richard. The evidence is as follows:

Charlotte Miles Baptized 24 December 1826.

(On the 1841 Census, Charlotte was living with Jemima. Birth details show the mother as Amelia, a straw plaiter. Nothing is known of an Amelia; evidence suggests that this reference, "Amelia" should read Jemima).

The Parish Register shows that Jemima had a son, James Miles, born on 23 April 1829, baptized 7 March 1830, before she was married.

Further evidence has revealed that John Hill, was the father of Charlotte, and Richard Sheppard Jnr, was the father of James. Jemima asked, through the courts, for assistance to maintain them.

We know Richard and Jemima had two children in England:

William	Baptized Pirton	30 January 1834
Sarah	Baptized Pirton	10 January 1836

I like to think that Richard and Jemima loved each other dearly, as that love was to be severely tested.

On 6 May 1835, at Shillington in Bedfordshire, Richard and Francis Davis broke into a

outbuilding belonging to Elizabeth Kempson and her son John. The record of the trial, held at Bedford, on 30 June 1835, states that "with force and arms" they stole fifteen dozen live tame dovehouse pigeons, worth five pounds.

The Northampton Herald, dated 4 July 1835, gives a slightly more detailed version:

*"John Kempson discovered a large hole the morning after the robbery, and most of the pigeons were gone; he suspected the prisoner Street, and got constables to watch the house. They saw pigeons fly out of the window, and afterwards found four sacks of pigeons in the house . . ."*

Richard was found guilty and sentenced to be transported for fourteen years.

How upset his wife and family must have felt when they heard the news! Richard could not read or write, nor could Jemima. They were to be completely isolated from one another, perhaps for ever, and there were young mouths that had to be fed.

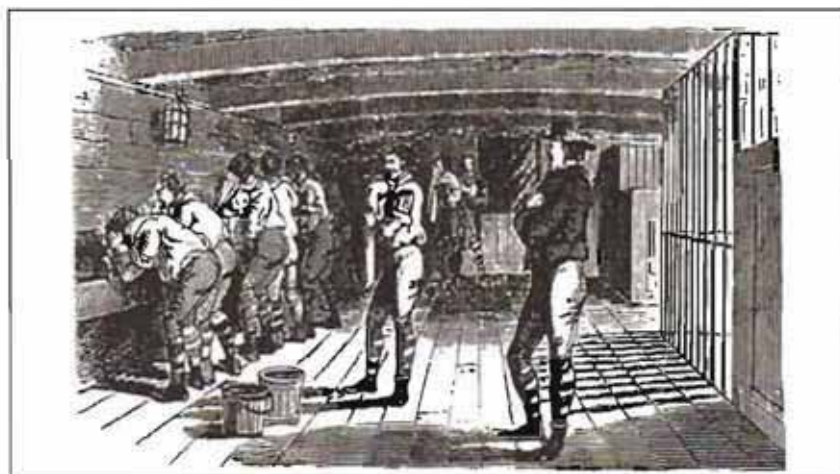
Richard was committed to the Bedford Jail on 18 May 1835, and later put on board the prison hulk "Ganymede" at Woolwich on 15 July 1835.

### The Bedford Gaol Register 1799-1836

( Ref. No. QGV 10/1 pages 158/9 )

Name	Place of Abode	Age	Stature	Complexion
Richard Street	Purton	36	5ft 8ins	Sandy
Colour Hair	Remarks	Read or Write	Committed	
Sandy	Long nose	No	May 18 1835	
By Whom	Offence	Sentence	When & How Discharged	
Rev J. Hull	Stealing Pigeons	Transported 14 years	Put on Board the Ganymede at Woolwich 15 July 1835	

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*The washroom on board one of the prison hulks at Woolich 1840's*

Six months later, on the 30 January 1836 the "Elphinstone" left Downs bound for Australia. Richard was one of the 240 convicts on board. He arrived in Hobart on 24 May 1836.

The surgeon, William Rogers, stated in his report that

*"Richard was uniformly good and unexceptionable. Moral principals good - very attentive at school."*

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## CHAPTER 2

### THE CONVICT MAKES GOOD

Richard was assigned to J.L. Pedder Esq., who was later Sir John, Chief Justice of Tasmania. I should imagine that Mr. Pedder would have been very fussy about the type of convict employed in his service.

However sometimes as you make a climb upwards, you slip back. This was true in Richard's case, as he was severely reprimanded for trafficking on 14 March 1837, and then returned to the service of J.L. Pedder.

Richard was a gardener. I like to think that he was involved in the planting of the first apple orchards, and perhaps even in the setting out of some of the gardens in the early stately homes of Hobart.

On 10 June 1840, through the assistance of Mr. Pedder, Richard made application for his family to join him in Van Diemen's Land. The application was supported by John Franklin and approved by Lord John Russell.

Richard's continued good conduct was rewarded on 29 April 1841, when he was granted a Ticket of Leave.

Per Ship ELPHINSTONE

VAN DIEMEN'S LAND.

No. 442

To all to whom these presents shall come, I, CHARLES JOSEPH LATOUCHE, Esquire, Administrator of the Government of the Island of Van Diemen's Land and its Dependencies, send Greeting.

WHEREAS RICHARD STREET was tried at GEORGE TOWN in the year 1836 and arrived in this Island in the year 1836 under sentence of Transportation for FOURTEEN YEARS AND WHEREAS His Majesty hath been pleased to signify to me Her approval, through me of Her Principal Secretaries of State, of a Pardon being granted to the said RICHARD STREET upon condition that he shall not during the said period for which the said sentence was pronounced return to or be found within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland. NOW THEREFORE I the said CHARLES JOSEPH LATOUCHE do, in pursuance of the instructions to me in that behalf given and sent by the Secretary of State, and of the Act of Parliament, intitled "An Act to amend the Laws relating to transported Convicts with respect to Pardons and Tickets-of-Leave," by this instrument in writing under the Seal of the Colony of Van Diemen's Land, give to the said RICHARD STREET a Pardon, upon the condition that he shall not return to or be found within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland as aforesaid.

Colonial Secretary and Registrar

*[Handwritten signature]*

Richard B. Paine

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my Hand, and caused the Seal of the Colony of Van Diemen's Land to be hereunto affixed, at Hobart Town in Van Diemen's Land, this FIFTEENTH day of JANUARY in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and forty-six

*[Handwritten signature]*

*Ticket of Leave*

I wonder what was going through Richard's mind while he was waiting to find out if Jemima was going to join him? His fears proved to be groundless as apparently Jemima had no hesitation in

deciding to join her husband in Van Diemen's Land, even though it meant saying farewell to family and friends. James wanted to come, but Charlotte decided to stay behind.

Jemima was journeying into the unknown, to a place and conditions unknown. It had been six years since she last saw Richard. What would her husband be like now?

In no time at all they were on board the "Royal Admiral" bound for Hobart. The ship left Woolwich on 5 May 1842 and arrived in Van Diemen's Land on 24 September 1842. Jemima, James, William and Sarah had for company Mrs Torrington and her six children. There were 202 female convicts and 32 crew. The cargo consisted of rum, a most sought-after commodity in the colony.

Richard was delighted to be reunited with his loved ones again. It gave him a real zest for living. James was treated as part of the family.

As he had promised, Mr. Pedder continued to offer practical support to Richard and his family. How lucky Richard was to have a kind master.

On 15 November 1842, a record, on the direction of the Lieutenant Governor, was made in favour of Richard Street,

*"for having delivered to the Post Master General a mail bag which he found in the New Town area."*

Already it seemed that the presence of his family and his new faith in God was producing benefits.

Having served almost eight years of his sentence, Richard was granted a Conditional Pardon (Number 442) on 31 May 1843. He was recommended to the Queen for a Conditional Pardon for the Australian Colonies on 11 March 1845. This was approved on 15 January 1846.

Richard and his family worshipped at St. John's Church of England at New Town. This church was designed by John Lee Archer, completed in 1831, and formally opened on 20 December 1835. It was built by 60 convicts, using handmade bricks. A burial ground was added in 1838.

The following additional children were born to Richard and Jemima in Van Diemen's Land.

Martha	31 December 1844
Mary	1 October 1845
Richard	1 August 1847
Hannah	29 April 1850
Thomas	10 May 1852

All were baptized at St. John's Church of England, New Town.



St John's New Town

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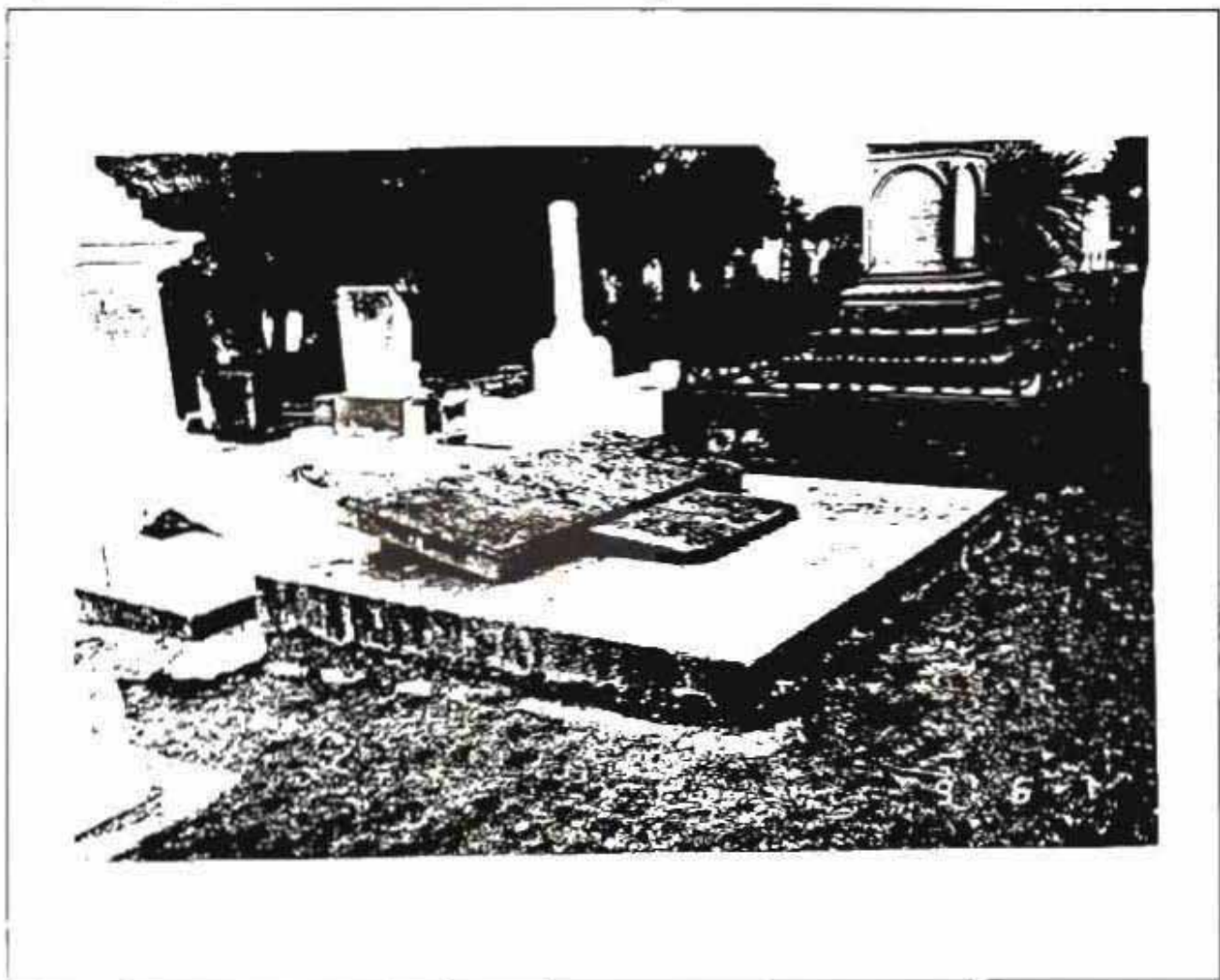
On 1 October 1846, Richard and Jemima bought some land from James Sprosor for thirty two pounds. It was added to in 1850 and 1856. At long last, Richard had become a substantial land owner. He had made good!

The McPhails Directory 1867/1868 states that Richard Street lived in Stephen Street, now Augusta Road, and previously called Judges Avenue (because the Chief Justice lived there)

Richard died on 25 July 1871, of "apoplacy", at his home, "Camphill Cottage". The Mercury Newspaper, dated Friday, 28 July 1871, gives the following information:

*"STREET- On the 25 July at his residence, Camphill Cottage, New Town, Mr. Richard Street, after a long and painful illness. In the 72nd year of his age. Friends are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, which will move from his late residence this day, the 28th instant at 2 o'clock. Please friends accept this as an invitation as no circulars will be issued."*

So Richard died, leaving behind eight children and at least seventy-two grandchildren. He was buried at the Hill St. Cemetery on 29 July 1871. (This Cemetery was run by the Melville St. Methodist Church). In June 1926, the bodies were placed in caskets and removed to the Cornelian Bay Cemetery where they were buried in a common grave.



A man had been given a second chance and had seized it with both hands.

Because of Richard's ill health, part of his property had been sold to James Street, on 17 July 1866, for three hundred pounds. The remainder was sold on 11 April 1883 to Richard and Thomas Street. The proceeds of the second sale were to be distributed thus:

Richard George Street (William's oldest son)	= ninety pounds
Jemima Street (Richard's widow)	= fifty pounds
Sophia Street (William's widow)	= ten pounds

The above amounts were to be paid equally by Richard Street and Thomas Street.

Jemima spent the last years of her life with her sons, Richard and Thomas. She played an active part in their households, and provided birth information for many of her grandchildren. Jemima died of old age on 20 September 1883 (aged 75) and is buried in the Wesleyan section of Comelian Bay Cemetery in Hobart.

The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"STREET - On Thursday September 20 1883) at her son's residence Bedford Street (Thomas), North Town, Jemima, relict of the late Richard Street, after a long and painful illness, in the 75th year of age. Friends are invited to attend her funeral, which will move from her son's residence on Saturday at 2 o'clock pm."*

Her grave is inscribed:

*"Sacred to the memory of Jemima Street  
Who died Sept. 22nd 1883 Aged 75  
Dearest mother thou art gone  
To a bright and happy home  
Great were thy sufferings here below  
Till Jesus took you for his own."*

So died the old links with the motherland, but the story continued in the lives of the children behind.



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### CHAPTER 3

# "GREAT WERE THY SUFFERINGS HERE BELOW "

The above quotation is on Jemima's gravestone in the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

It is easy to assume that Jemima's sufferings were that of a body getting old. Indeed she was 75 when she died in 1883, a good age to live to in those times.

However, what sort of life did Jemima have both in England, after Richard was transported (in 1836) and then in Australia when she came out to be with Richard in 1842?

According to the 1840 census, Charlotte, James, William and Sarah were living with Jemima. Charlotte was born in 1826, James in 1829, both illegitimately, William in 1833, and Sarah in 1835. Also in the household, at Hitchin Rd. and Wet Lane, were Elizabeth Dilley (85) and Helen Goldsmith (70).

Richard was tried in June 1835, so there is every likelihood that Jemima didn't see him from June 1835 until September 1842, over seven years. Richard, however, did know he had a baby daughter named Sarah, so Jemima either managed to see him, or got a message to him about her birth.

Jemima received out-relief of two shillings per week from the Parish of Perton. In addition, she had taken the two fathers of her illegitimate children, John Hill (Charlotte), and Richard Sheppard Jr (James) to court so that she could be given maintenance for them. She was successful with her quest.

The monied people were able to make enormous profits from the new machinery, because they were able to produce huge quantities of goods cheaply. The industrial pioneers paid little attention to the poor conditions their "workmen" had to endure. Little children and women, as well as men, worked up to sixteen hours a day, in often very dangerous, noisy surroundings. Many were maimed for life or even killed.

The wealthy had been the landed gentry, but now they were being challenged for power by these new masters of industry.

However as well as the factory boom, there was a revolution in transport and the railways sprang up from 1825 and quickly crossed the country. It is recorded that in the two years from 1845 to 1847 over one hundred and fifty million pounds was spent in the establishment of railways! Yet thousands of people went hungry.

It was a time of much poverty, ignorance, dirt and disease and, I believe, little tolerance for the rights of ordinary working class people.

How then would Jemima have managed in 1836, with a 10, 7, 3, and 1 year old? She would probably have scrubbed floors, washed clothes and anything else she could have done, including working in the fields with the crops and helping out in the preparation of meals. She may have even made clothes. It is doubtful whether her parish would have offered much additional help unless she got sick.

Food was not cheap, and even bread became increasingly expensive. This happened because of the population increase, and the long-standing ban on the importation of foreign grain by the Corn Laws. Much was said and written about the Corn Laws including poems such as that written by Allen Davenport, the chorus of which is reproduced below:

*"Then open every British port,  
And let the poor be fed,  
No longer see your children starve,  
And die through want of bread."*



In those days when a husband died and a woman was left on her own, she was often forced to remarry just to survive. It was also very hard for a man with a young family if his wife died. The fact that Jemima survived and all her children did too, is a credit to her industry, drive and plain hard work.

I wonder if she was ostracized by any of her local community because of Richard's criminal records?

In 1845, after Jemima had left England, heavy continuous rain ruined the corn crop, and at the same time the potato blight in Ireland destroyed most of the potato crop. Thousands died as a result.

The following are extracts from a letter from Henry Tingley, convict, to his father, Thomas Tingley, Newick, near Uckfield, Sussex, written on 15 June 1835, at Ansley, Van Diemen's Land.

*"... I works the same as I were at home: I have plenty to eat and drink, thank God for it. I am allowed two ounces of tea, one pound of sugar, twelve pounds of meat, ten pounds and a half of flour, two ounces of tobacco, the week; three pairs of shoes, two suits of clothes, four shirts a year; that is the allowance from Government. But we have as much to eat as we like, ... On a night, after I have done my work, I have a chance to make a few shillings; I can go out hunting or shooting of kangaroos, that is about the size of a sheep, or ducks or swans, tigers, tiger-cats, or native cats; there is nothing that will hurt a man but a snake ....*

*I have a fellow-prisoner living with me, which he is a shoemaker, and he is learning me to make shoes, which will be a great help to me; in about two years I shall be able to make a pair of shoes myself. ... I am doing a great deal better than I ever did at home ..."*

William Ullathorne D.D., Vicar General of the English Benedictine Order's Australian Mission, who was a key figure in establishing the Catholic Church in Australia, wrote a tract in 1838 about the Horrors of Transportation. He pointed out that many letters written home by convicts do not tell the truth:

*"... I wish that those who are captivated with favourable letters, which they have most likely never seen, saw a few of those in which convicts describe with sincerity, their desolate state, and the calamitous condition of those around them."*

Of convicts, he stated:

*"His master may work him, not only at what he chooses, but for what time he chooses. ... on receiving him, he pays the sum of one pound for the clothes on his back that is all. And when one is worked out, another may be easily had for the asking. ... in a word the convict is, in every sense his master's creature at his master's mercy."*

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In England, winters were cold and wet and it got dark early. In fact it always seemed to be dark and dreary in winter. Yet here was Henry going shooting after work. What a difference! And he could eat all he wanted!!

Henry also assured his parents that he had a lovely trip to Australia and that the seas were calm.

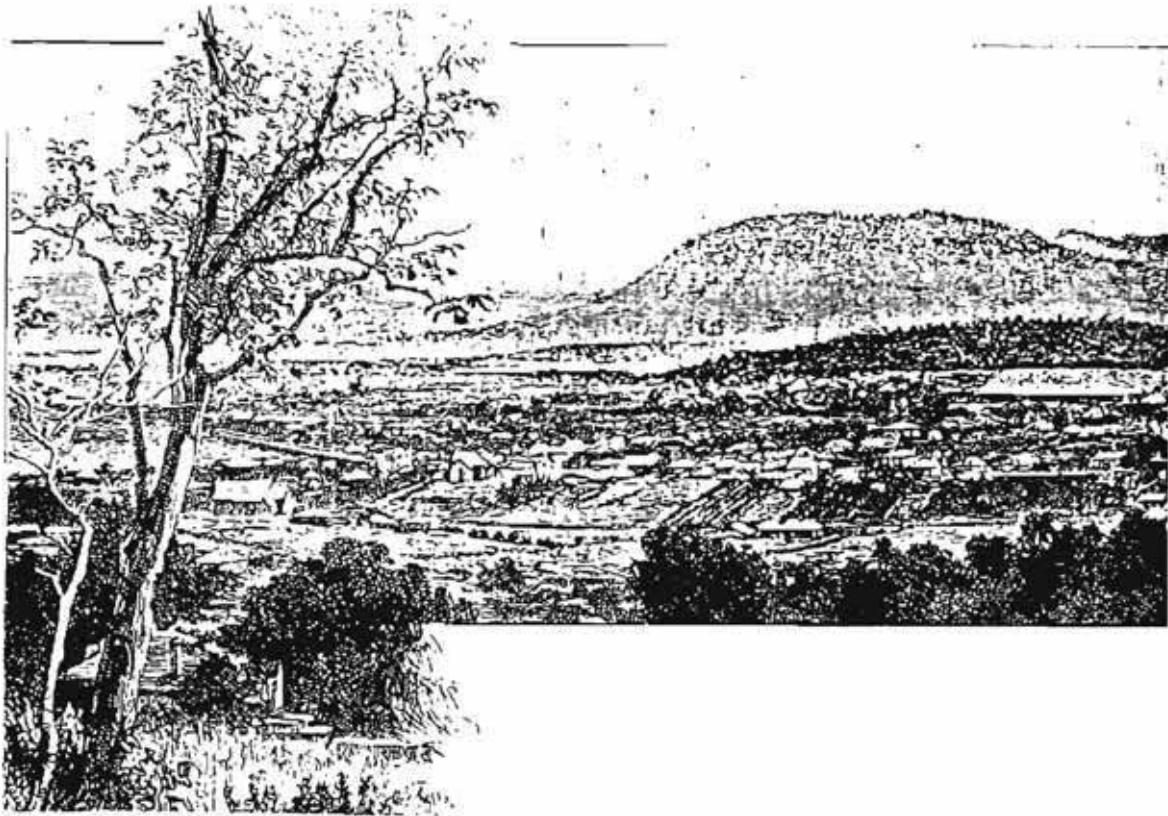
It is no wonder Jemima didn't hesitate to join Richard in Van Diemen's Land. She must have also been thrilled that Richard still wanted her and the children after seven long years. (I wonder if she ever cried herself to sleep?)

It is interesting to note that the census conducted in Van Diemen's Land gave the following population data:

1836	43,895	(convicts = 17,611)
1842	58,902	(convicts = 20,332)

Richard certainly wouldn't have had much when Jemima arrived. However he obtained his Ticket of Leave eight months later on 31 May 1843 and from that time on would have been able to work for himself to get something together for his family.

Certainly by 1858 he owned at least a cottage and six acres. No evidence seems to exist about whether he was granted any land, although he would have had to obtain some in order to support his family.



*New Town*

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Jemima had been used to hard work in England, but now the hard work was no longer for a taskmaster but for themselves and their family. The early colonial home was fairly basic and probably their shack wasn't much, but at least it was theirs. Later on they probably managed to build a slightly better home.

So many things that we take for granted today involved sheer hard toil, such as carting water for their household needs.

The preparation of the land and the planting of their first apple trees would have been an exciting time. How lovely their first apple would have tasted !

I admire Jemima's courage and the support she gave Richard. There is no doubt in my mind that she was an excellent mother - "a little dynamo".

Whilst working conditions in England were harsh, they were also hard in Van Diemen's Land. It could be much hotter than England, disease was rife, and young children in particular were most vulnerable. Jemima saw the death of her husband, Richard, in 1871, her daughter, Hannah, in 1871, son William, in 1873, and the death of at least nine grandchildren:

William Street	1859
Alice Amelia Swann	1860
William John Street	1868
Albert Thomas Street	1873
Samuel Edmon Street	1876
Maria Street	1882
Ernest Wentworth Swann	1870
Albert Edward Bismarsck Swann	1875
Alfred Richard Totham	1871

She also saw the marriages of all her children, and must have been happy to share in their happiness. Like all grandmothers the birth of her grandchildren would have brought great pleasure.

Yes, "great were her sufferings here below", but great were her blessings too.



*Planting of the first Apple Tree in Tasmania.*

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## CHAPTER 4

### JAMES STREET

James was born on 23 April 1829. His middle name was Edward. This information was given to me by Eileen Street, the wife of Edward James Street, grandson of James. Apparently when Robert Edward Street (father of Edward James) and Harold Sydney Street decided to settle permanently in New Zealand, their father, James, gave them some background history, prior to their departure from Hobart.

James was baptized under the surname "Miles" on 7 March 1830. If he had not been adopted in England, after Richard and Jemima were married, he certainly was when he came to Tasmania in 1842, at the age of 13.

There is evidence that he became a fully accepted part of the family (see Chapter two).

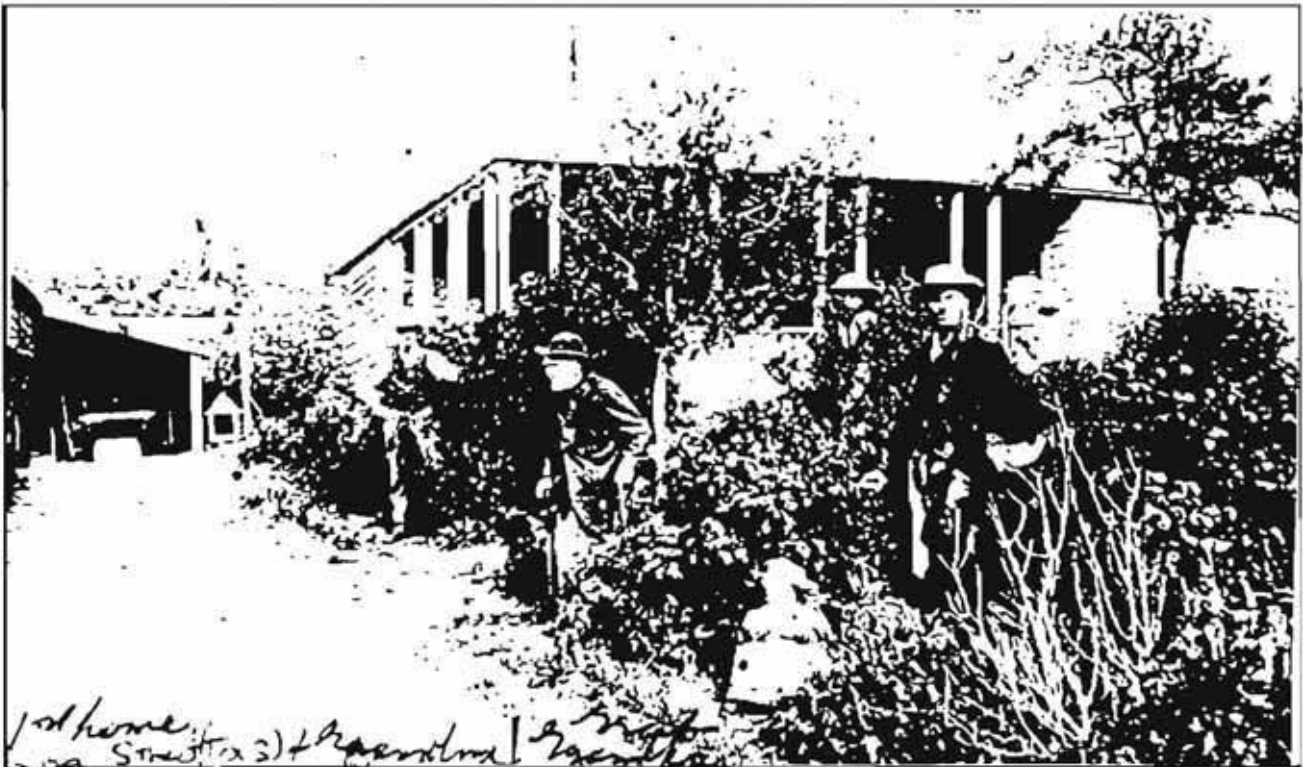
\* James and William worked together; and

\* James, Richard, Thomas and William's family (William had died) shared in the distribution of Richard's property.

James married Ellen Wheeler at St. John's Church of England, New Town on 16 June 1851.

Ellen was born at Sorrell, Tasmania, on 28 April 1836, although death details indicate she was born at Swansea. Ellen was baptized on 6 September 1838.

Phillip Street found information to say that on Tuesday, 25 May 1858, "James and William Street were living in a cottage and garden (six acres) at Scott Street, and paying five shillings a year rent to Richard Street. Richard lived at Stephen Street, New Town."



*1st home,  
on Street (123) + grandpa! Grandpa!*  
Samuel Street & brother with parents, James & Ellen Street, & grandfather, James Wheeler, at home in  
Giblin St New Town.

*The family of James & Ellen*



*William, James, Charles, Samuel, Robert, Harold.*



*Ellen, Mary, Alice, Isabella, Martha, Florence*

The following children were born to James and Ellen:

James Jnr	23 April 1852	Died 14 November 1900
	(register shows 15 May 1852)	
William	29 July 1854	Died 27 August 1900
Ellen	15 January 1856	Died 28 October 1927
Mary Jane	23 December 1859	Died 10 April 1894
Isabella	11 February 1863	Died 6 January 1893
Martha	5 January 1866	Died 17 December 1893
Samuel Richard	24 December 1867	Died 11 April 1959
Charles John	18 September 1870	Died 10 December 1931
Alice Amelia	25 September 1874	Died 2 November 1940
Florence Louisa	15 September 1876	Died 21 August 1908
Robert Edward	10 September 1878	Died 14 July 1940
Harold Sydney	27 July 1883	Died 7 January 1948

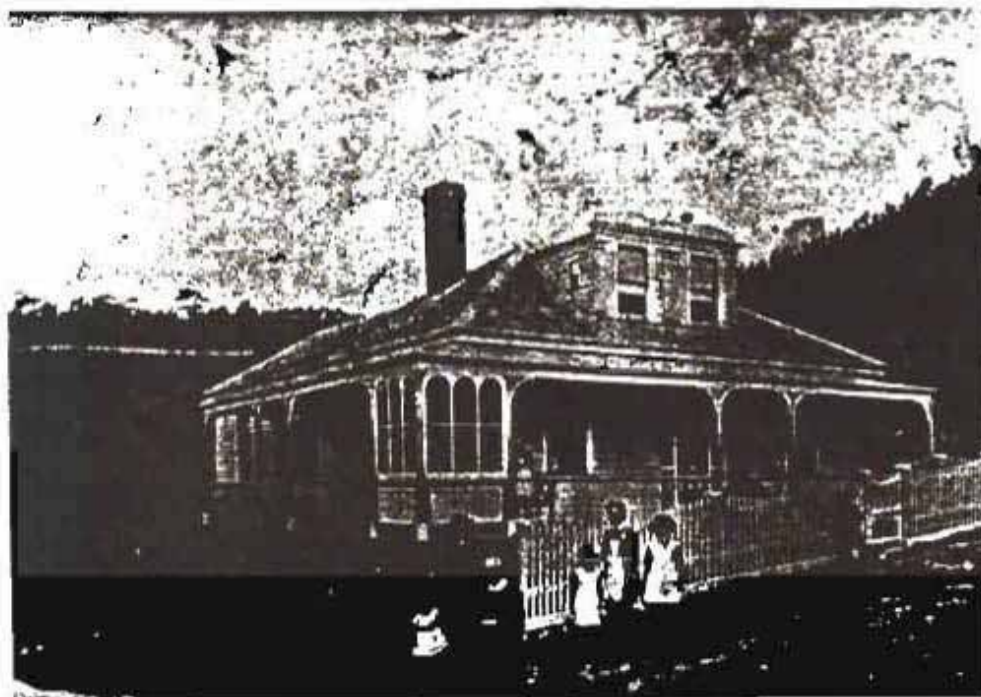
On the 14 October 1871, James Street was granted 11 acres 1 rod 29 perches at Hobart, Buckinghamshire, for the cost of four hundred and thirty pounds.

James had already become a very wealthy man by hard work and diligence. There are many references to his property transactions over a number of years.

The Mercury records the following on Monday 17 June 1901:

*"GOLDEN WEDDING STREET - WHEELER - On June 16 1851 at St. John's Church New Town Rev. T.J. Ewing, James Street to Ellen Wheeler, both of New Town (Golden Wedding)."*

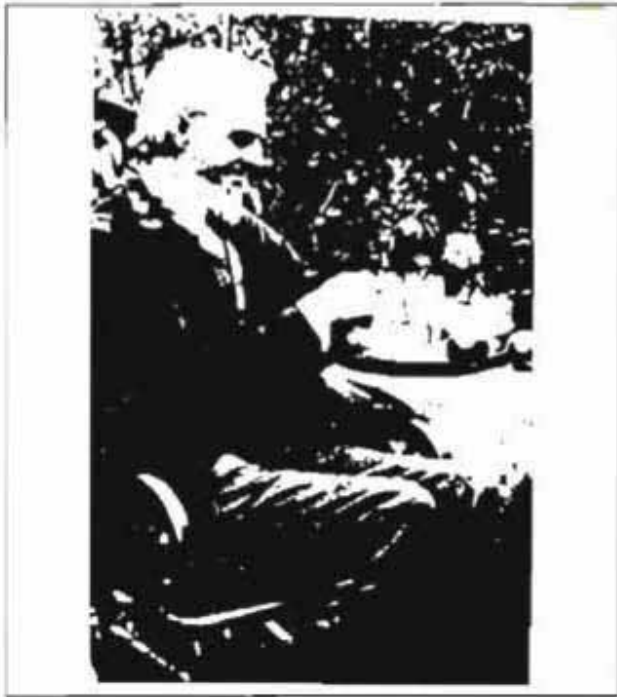
They were married for nearly 58 years.



*Home of James and Ellen*

James died at his home in Scott Street, Augusta Road, on 16 April 1909, of "febric enteria and exhaustion of the heart". His will, made out on 9 April 1900, left everything to his wife. The Mercury had this death notice:

*"STREET - On April 16, 1909, at his residence, Greenway, Augusta Road, James Street, in the 81st year of his age. (Funeral private)"*



James



Ellen

A newspaper report had this to say about him:

*"A very old and esteemed colonist Mr. James Street, died on Friday last at his residence in his 81st year. The deceased arrived in the colony from England with his parents in the month of September 1842 in the ship Royal Admiral being then 13 years of age. Mr. Street went to live on the property known as Greenway soon after his arrival from England, and by his industry and thrift as an orchardist, eventually owned it and adjoining properties to the corner of Augusta Road and Scott Street. He was married at St. John's Church New Town in 1851 and had a family of twelve of whom four sons and two daughters survive him. His wife also survives him. Two of his sons, now in New Zealand, went from Tasmania and took part in the South African War. His wonderful vitality and strength may be gauged from the fact that he never had medical attendance up to within two weeks of his death."*



James and Ellen

Ellen died, at the Highbury Hospital, of "senility, cardiac vascular degeneration and cerebral haemorrhage" on 10 May 1919. She was 86.

Her will, completed on 3 February 1914, stated that:

*"Hazel Flintham Andrews, and Grace Isabel Andrews, were to receive twenty pounds each, James Benjamin Phillips to get ten pounds when he was 21.*

*(the above were the youngest grandchildren).*

*The residue of the estate was to be distributed to her children."*

A newspaper report had this to say about the life of Ellen Street.

*"A very old esteemed resident of New Town, in the person of Mrs James Street Sen., who was one of the first Tasmanian woman born at Swansea passed away on Saturday at the age of 86. Although a great sufferer for many years, she was of a bright and happy disposition, her kindness and generosity being known far and wide. Her husband predeceased her ten years ago. She had a large family, six of whom survive her. There are four sons and two daughters, and twenty-seven grandchildren and twenty great grandchildren living. Two of her grandsons won the military medal Sergeant L.A. Street who has been the recipient of the D.C.M. and Bar having recently returned."*

Ellen is buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery, in a grave with the following:

James Street	- Husband
James Wheeler	- Father
Martha Street	- Daughter
Mary Jane Street	- Daughter
Florence Louisa Chisholm	- Daughter

The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"STREET - On May 10 1919, at Private Hospital, Ellen, widow of the late James Street, sen, Greenway, Augusta Road, in the 86th year of her age. Friends are invited to attend her funeral which will move from her daughter's residence, 25 Mary Street on Monday (This Day) at 2.30."*

The final thing to say about this family was that apparently there were some problems with the will. Samuel Richard Street had to go to Hobart and visit a solicitor to try to sort out the estate. The solicitor asked him to return after lunch. When he returned, it was to find the solicitor hanging in the office. He had been using the funds of the estate for his own use.



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### CHAPTER 5

## WILLIAM STREET

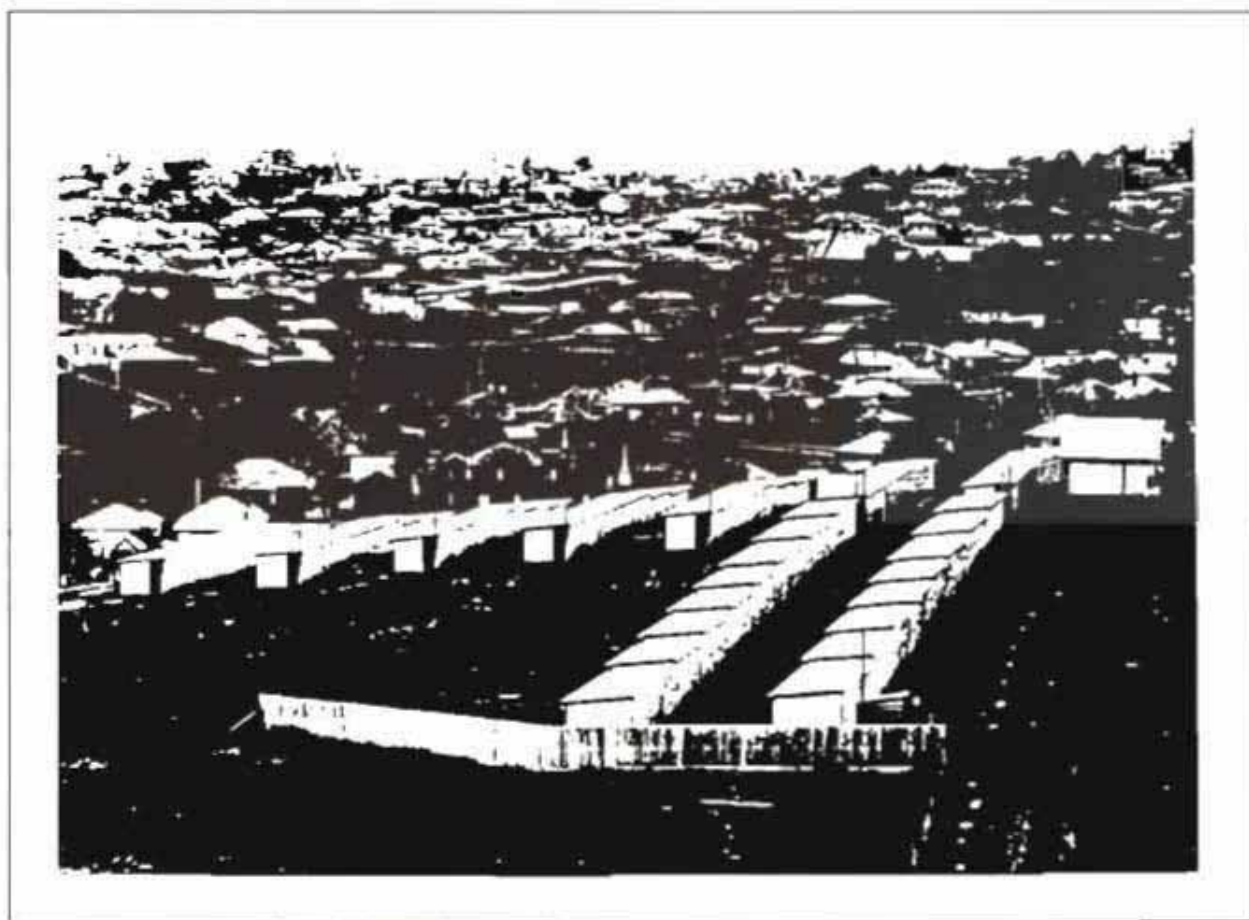
William was Richard and Jemima's oldest child. He was born in England.

I know practically nothing about my great grandfather. He was a gardener, like his father, Richard, and worked at Government Farm. As stated in the previous chapter, James worked with him for a while, on property owned by Richard.

However, if a man's life can be judged by his children's lives, then William must have been someone very special. Richard George gave the children pocket money, Alfred treated all children kindly, Arthur looked after his mother, and Herbert, as well as having a large family of his own, gave a home to three extra boys when they needed it. In addition three of his children were involved in missionary work.

William married fifteen-year-old Sophia Moxham at St. John's Church of England, New Town, on 2 February 1858. The witnesses were John Moxham, Margaret Moxham, and Sophia Boucher.

Sophia had probably been employed as a housekeeper. She was small - perhaps about 4' 10". The daughter of John Moxham and Margaret Stephens, she was born at Hamilton, Tasmania, on 29 January 1843 (one of six children). A photograph of Sophia appears at the end of this chapter.



*Government Farm, New Town 1930's*

William and Sophia had the following children:

William	2 March 1859	Died 24 February 1860
Richard George	5 April 1862	Died 1 March 1932
William John	22 December 1864	Died 4 October 1868
Alfred James	21 May 1867	Died 8 January 1939
Arthur Ernest	4 November 1869	Died 2 December 1930
Herbert John	6 September 1871	Died 20 November 1942
Albert Thomas	29 April 1873	Died 10 September 1875

The family lived at Camphill Cottage, near Government Farm.

William died on 29 October 1873, aged 39, of "cerebral abscess and apoplexy". His death certificate wrongly states that he was born in Hobart Town. The records at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery indicate that William (Steed), was buried with Sophia (wife) and Albert (son).

The Mercury, of Thursday Morning, October 30, 1873 gives the following death notice:

*"STREAT - on the 29th October at his late residence Camphill Cottage, near Government Farm, William Streat, in the 40th year of his age. Friends are respectively invited to attend his funeral at half past 2 o'clock on Friday next."*

Ten years after William's death, Sophia married for the second time on 25 September 1883 with Congregational rites. The groom was Moses Lyons. Witnesses were Sarah Lester (her sister) and James Howard.

I think Moses & Sophia adopted Elsie May Lyons, born to an Elizabeth Lyons, on 16 September 1883. She was baptised at St John the Baptist Church of England, Hobart, on 20 May 1899. Her baptismal record indicates that she was born on 12 December 1881 to William & Sophia Street. William however died in 1873! The different birth date may have been made deliberately to make it more difficult to trace her actual parents. (She died on 18 May 1942)

Elsie was regarded as a Street by her step brothers - in fact Richard George Street in his will left all he had to his sister, Elsie. Also when Elsie married she signed herself as Street on her wedding certificate.

Sophia died, of an ulcerated leg, on 28 November 1906. She is buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery. No mention of William and Albert, who are also buried in the grave, is made on the headstone. It says:

*"Rock of ages cleft for me  
Let me hide myself in thee."*

The Mercury, dated 29 November 1906, had the following death notice:

*"LYONS - On November 28, at her son's residence, Lindisfarne, Sophia Lyons, in her 64th year. Funeral will leave O'Mays Wharf on Saturday at 2.30 for Cornelian Bay Cemetery. Friends are respectfully invited to attend."*



*Sophia Lyons (nee Moxham/Street)*

## A SECOND CHANCE

### CHAPTER 6

## SARAH STREET

Sarah was Richard and Jemima's eldest daughter, born in England. In 1842, at the age of six, she travelled across the world to meet her father.

I wonder what Sarah thought as she gazed at Tasmania, and then Hobart for the first time? How different it must have been from Hertfordshire!

It was only recently that I discovered whom Sarah married, and the names of her children. I became certain that those details related to our Sarah when I found the marriage certificate of one of her children, Sarah Ann, to Caleb Henry Elley. The witnesses at the wedding were, William Ross, Clara Swann, Clara Totham and Martha Swann. It seems certain from this information, that Sarah remained in close contact with two of her sisters, Martha (who married Samuel Totham), and Mary (who married William Ross).

Sarah married George Swann at St. George's Church of England, Hobart, on 5 October 1855. The witnesses were Dorothy Swann and Samuel Swann. George was born about 1829 and perhaps the above witnesses were his parents. He was a carpenter, constable, and hotel keeper. He seems to have owned no property.

Sarah and George had the following children:

William Richard	9 August 1856	
Martha Matilda	4 July 1858	
Sarah Ann	17 June 1860	Died 2 May 1943
Alice Amelia	17 June 1860	Died 3 September 1860
Peggy Clara	9 November 1862	
Alice Eva	17 April 1867	
Ernest Wentworth	December 1869	
George Goulding Ernest	6 March 1872	Died 6 April 1872
Albert Edward Bismarck	7 April 1873	Died 6 April 1875
Florence May	22 August 1876	
George John	8 February 1879	

The following children were baptized at St John's New Town:

William Richard	2 November 1856
Martha Matilda	22 August 1858
Peggy Clara	14 December 1862

NOTE: Peggy was baptized with her cousin George Irwin Totham.

It is not known where Sarah and George are buried.

## A SECOND CHANCE

### CHAPTER 7

## MARTHA STREET

Martha was the second daughter born to Richard and Jemima, and their first colonial born child. Born on 31 December 1844 she was baptized at St. John's Church of England, New Town, on 3 August 1845.

When she was a young girl, Martha became the housekeeper for Jane and Samuel Totham, who had five children.

Samuel's wife Jane (nee McLaren) was born at Invercroly, Kermichael, Scotland. She died on 30 October 1859, and Samuel then paid court to his housekeeper, Martha, who was thirty years his junior!

They married on 7 June 1860, at St. John's Church of England, New Town. Witnesses at the wedding were George Swann (Martha's brother-in-law) and Bridget Culligan.

Samuel was a storekeeper, but there is no record of him owning any property.

Samuel and Martha lived at Hampden Rd., Hobart, and also at Francis St., Battery Point, according to the 1848 State Assessment Rolls.

Samuel and Martha had the following children:

George Irwin	16 November 1862	Died 14 July 1891
Clara Jemima	31 October 1864	Died 21 April 1888
Charles Percival	18 May 1866	Died 14 January 1942
Walter Ernest	29 March 1869	Died 16 December 1946
Alfred Richard	2 December 1870	Died 2 June 1871
Ann Ada	8 July 1872	Died 4 January 1935
Francis Benjamin	15 October 1874	
James Herbert	26 February 1877	Died 20 September 1947
(registered as James Albert)		

Martha made a baptismal gown for George Irwin. It is still in good condition and Ian Totham in Launceston has it.

Samuel died of old age on 31 May 1887, and was buried at the Queensborough Cemetery. The headstone was later moved to the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

The Mercury had this death notice:

*"TOTHAM - On May 31 [1887], Samuel Totham aged 73, formerly of Essex, England. Funeral will leave his late residence, Colville Street, Battery Point, on THURSDAY AFTERNON at half past 2. Friends are respectively invited to attend."*

Martha lived the last years of her life with James Herbert and his wife Ethel. She died on 27 April 1913.

The Mercury had this death notice for Martha:

*"TOTHAM - On Sunday, April 27, 1913, at her son's residence, 11 Arthur-Circus, Battery Point, Hobart, Martha, relict of the late Samuel Totham, aged 70 years. Her end was peace. Funeral Tuesday afternoon, 3 o'clock."*

## A SECOND CHANCE

### CHAPTER 8

## MARY STREET

Mary was Richard and Jemima's third daughter.

Mary was baptized at St. John's Church of England, New Town, on 15 March 1846. She had been unnamed at birth.

Mary married William Ross, a bootmaker, on 1 January 1869, at the residence of David Ross (William's father) in the rites of the Primitive Methodist Church. Witnesses were:

David Ross (mason)  
Annie Street (Hannah)  
Margaret Nicholson

Mary and William had the following children:

Mary Annie	24 October 1869	
Margaret	2 December 1871	Died 5 December 1956
Alice Maud	22 March 1875	
Henrietta Louisa	5 February 1877	
Florence Wilhelmina	27 November 1879	

Mary died of "phthisis pulmoxata" on 3 August 1883, at the age of 37. The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"ROSS - On August 3, at her residence, Elizabeth Street, Mary, the beloved wife of William Ross, in the 38th year of her age, after a painful illness of two years, which she bore with christian patience, leaving a husband and five children to mourn the loss of a loving mother and affectionate wife. The funeral will leave her late residence on Monday, 6th inst, at 2 p.m. friends are respectfully invited to attend."*

She was buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery and her grave bears this inscription :

*"His . . . dispels my guilt and fear  
No other name but Jesus  
Oh here my soul delights to hear  
The precious name of Jesus ."*

After Mary's death William married Anna Jane Harding, and had three further children.

He lived at 67 Warwick St., Hobart. His will made the following trustees and executors:

Anna Jane Ross (wife)  
Mary Annie Livingstone (daughter)  
Hedley Todd (chemist, son-in-law)

Anna was to live in the house until her death, and then all the property was to be distributed equally to his surviving children. He appears to have owned a great deal of property.

William died on 29 June 1921 and is also buried at Cornelian Bay Cemetery. He was buried with Mary. Also in the grave are his second wife, Anna Jane, who died on 30 March 1926, aged 72, and a daughter by his second marriage, Olive Irene, aged 39.

The Mercury, dated 1 July 1921, has this death notice:

*"ROSS - On June 30, 1921, passed peacefully away at his residence, 67 Warwick Street, William Ross aged 73 years."*

## A SECOND CHANCE

### CHAPTER 9

## RICHARD STREET (JUNIOR)

Richard was baptized at St. John's Church of England, New Town, on 5 December 1847. He also became a gardener, like his father and brothers.

On 3 June 1868, Richard married Lydia Letitia Mackerel, at the home of Rev. J.W. Simmons, 187 Elizabeth St. Hobart, in Congregational rites. Witnesses at the wedding were:

Jonathan Green (stepfather)

Emma Mackerel (sister)

Richard Street and Lydia Mackerel were witnesses at the wedding of Maria Mackerel and Benjamin Badcock, on 27 May 1868, just before their own wedding.



*Lydia Letitia Street*

Richard and Lydia lived at 55 Risdon Rd., New Town, where they had their orchard. They had fifteen children:

Annie Amelia	30 November 1868	Died 10 January 1955
Samuel Edmon	30 December 1870	Died 8 October 1876
William	31 December 1872	Died 2 April 1955
Richard	6 January 1875	Died 2 December 1947
Francis	11 November 1876	Died 3 August 1960
Samuel Percival	15 November 1878	Died 23 May 1950
Charles Ernest	8 December 1879	Died 13 April 1913
Lily May	15 April 1882	Died 3 May 1922
Thomas Alfred	25 September 1883	Died 23 Sept. 1886
* Leslie	24 October 1886	Died 2 November 1886
Jessie	26 December 1884	Died 23 July 1946
Montague Bertram (registered as Monty)	25 February 1888	Died 5 August 1916
Tasman	11 July 1889	Died 29 June 1951
* Amy	16 October 1891	Died 18 November 1891
Winifred	14 June 1893	Died 14 July 1978

\* The death certificates of both these children showed their father as being a gardener. I have not been able to find any birth certificates. As can be seen, both these children died in infancy.

Richard died of "senile decay and hemiplegia", on 20 November 1929, after 61 years of marriage. He left his entire estate to Lydia.

The Mercury had this death notice:

*"On Nov. 20 1929 at his residence 55 Risdon St., Richard beloved husband of Lydia in 83rd. year. Buried 20 Nov. at Cornelian Bay."*

Lydia, who was born on 27 July 1849, died on 6 September 1933, of "senile decay."

The Mercury had this death notice:

*"On 5 September 1933 at her residence 55 Risdon Rd. Lydia relict of late Richard in 83rd year. Burial Cornelian Bay."*

Their graves state simply:

Richard *"Beloved husband of Lydia."*  
Lydia *"Devoted wife and mother of above."*

and,

*"Some time some day eyes shall see  
The dearest face we hold in memory."*

Lydia's will leaves her estate to be shared equally by her children. She makes, however, the following stipulations:

*"Lily Gordon's share to go to her children."*

The contents of her best room are for her three girls:

Annie  
Jessie  
Winnie

*A chest of drawers is for Louisa and one is also for Beatrice." (her daughter-in-laws)*

## A SECOND CHANCE

### CHAPTER 10

## HANNAH STREET

Hannah was baptized at St. John's Church of England, New Town, on 16 June 1850.

She married Samuel Ross, at the home of David Ross (Samuel's father), Ann St. Hobart, in Primitive Methodist rites, on 7 May 1870. Witnesses were:

David Ross (stone mason)  
William Ross (bootmaker) Brother  
Ellen Street (14-year-old cousin, daughter of James and Ellen Street,  
or perhaps 37-year-old aunt)

Recently I came across a death certificate for "Annie Ross" whom I believe to be for Hannah Ross. She was 20 years old, and died on 23 February 1871 of "peritonitis and enteritis". Subsequent research has proved this to be correct, as Hannah was buried at the Hill St. Cemetery on 23 February 1871.

The Mercury on 24 February 1871 had this death notice:

*"ROSS - On 23 February at her late residence, after an illness of four months, Hannah, the wife of Samuel Ross, ship's carpenter, Battery Point. Aged 20 years, married 9 1/2 months. The funeral will move from the house of Mr. William Ross, Bootmaker, Brisbane Street, on Sunday afternoon at four o'clock. Friends are respectfully invited to attend, as no circulars will be issued."*

Her husband, Samuel, does not seem to have remarried.

Perhaps the following death certificate details refer to him:

Name: Samuel Ross  
Age: 65  
Died: 14 June 1896  
Born: Scotland  
Address: Barrack Square



## A SECOND CHANCE

### CHAPTER 11

## THOMAS STREET

Thomas was baptized at St. John's Church of England, New Town, on 29 August 1852. It was only after an examination of the baptismal records that I ascertained that his parents were Richard and Jemima.

Like his brothers, he was also a gardener

Thomas married Louisa Rose Mackerel (Lydia's sister - Richard's wife), on 2 October 1873, at the home of Rev. J.W. Simmons, 287 Liverpool St., Hobart, in Congregational rites. Witnesses were:

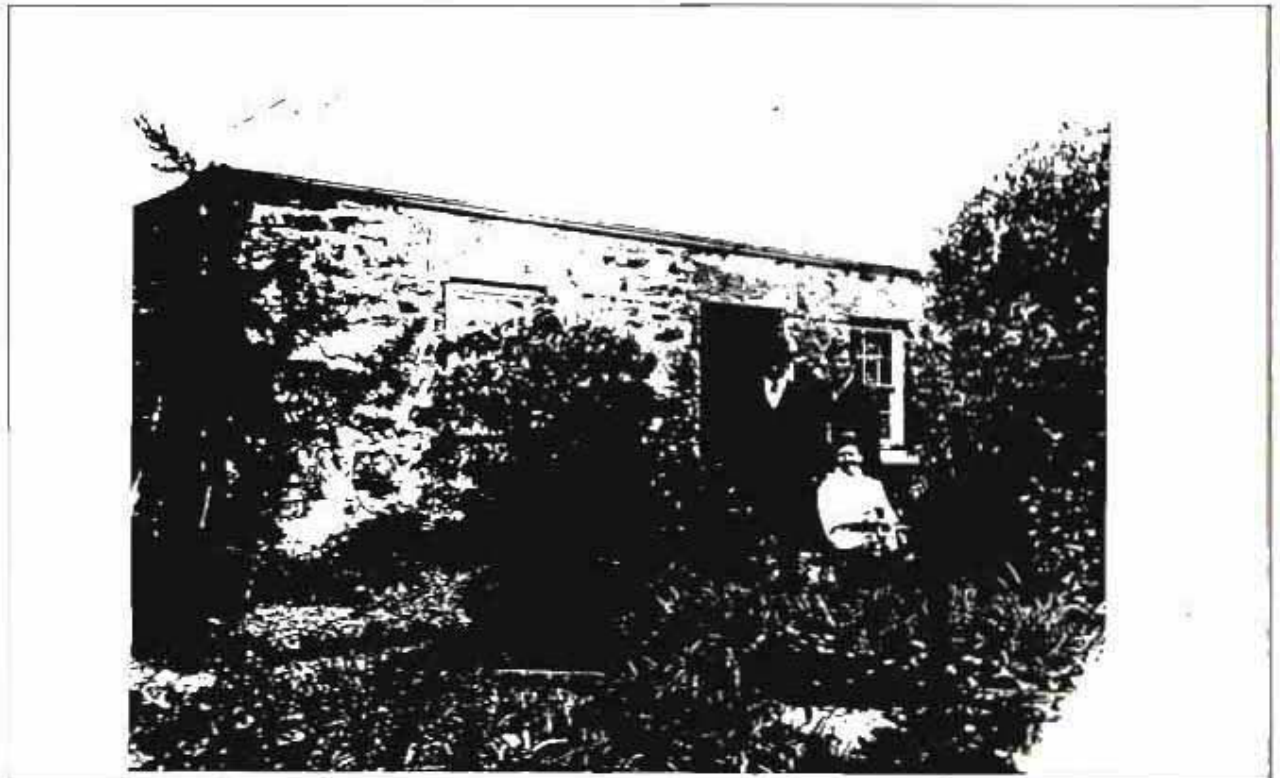
Lydia Street  
Jonathan Green (Louisa's step father)  
Mary Mackerel

They settled at 14 Hope St., and later moved to 32 Bedford St., Hobart.

Louisa was born on 22 May 1856. Her parents were Edmund Mackerel and Rosanna Harding

I have been told by Mrs. Peggy Skeels, that Thomas and Louisa use to rise early every morning and work all day in their garden. When times were tough, Thomas wheeled a barrow load of vegetables into the GPO, from his Bedford St. property, and sold them.

All hands were required when there was fruit to pick - it was a hard life, but Thomas and Louisa both lived long lives.

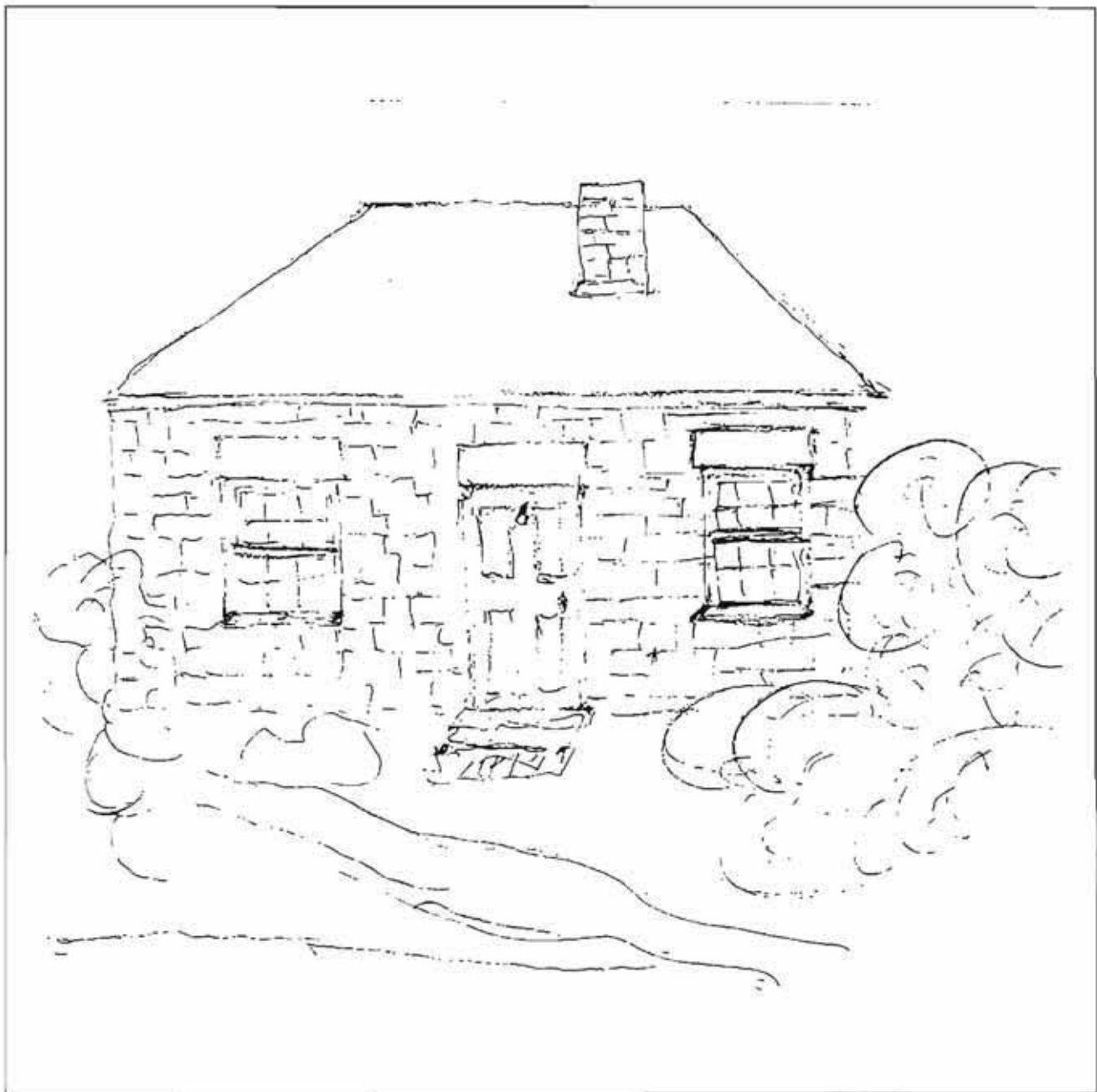


*Thomas, Louisa & Walter at their home in Bedford St.*

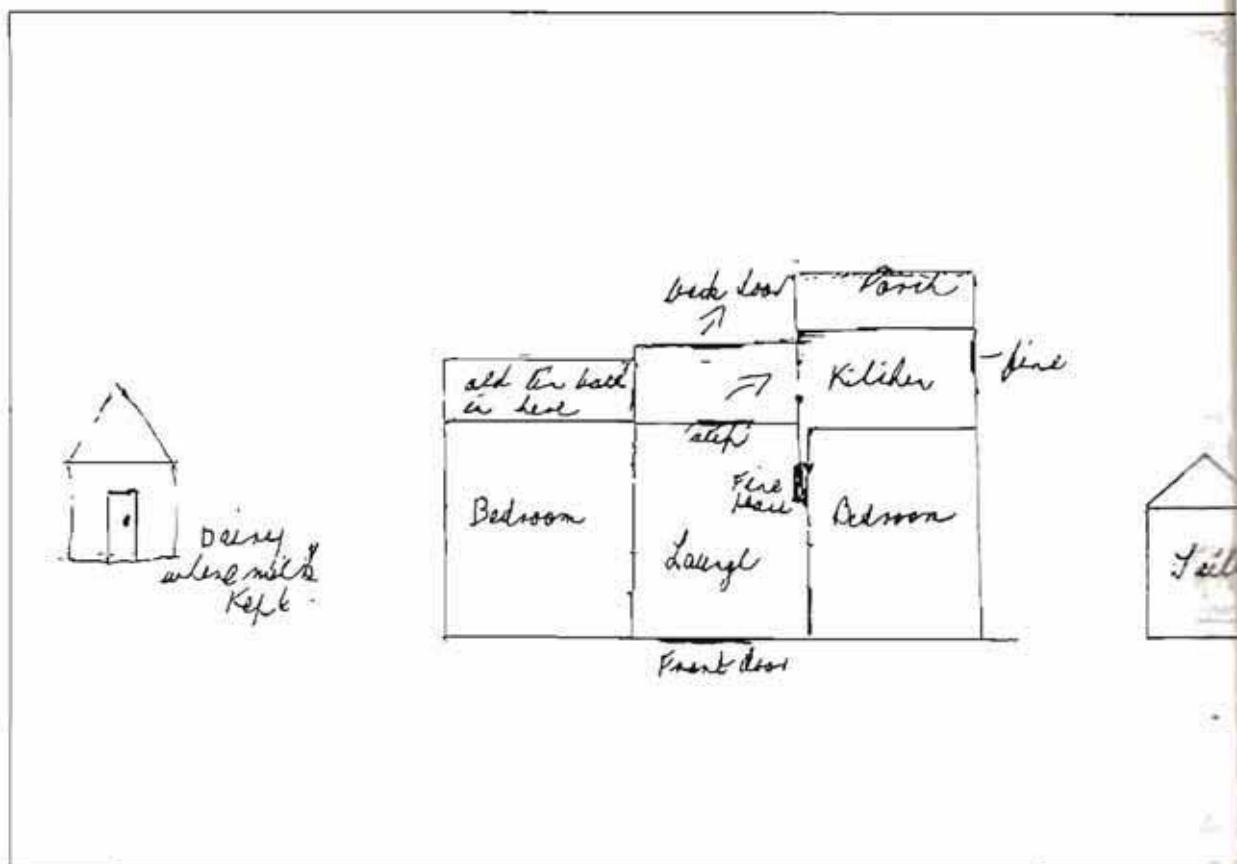
Thomas and Louisa had the following children:

Maria	6 April 1874	Died 5 October 1882
Mary Annie	6 July 1876	
Florence Louisa	2 October 1879	Died 16 June 1953
Ethel Rose	5 December 1881	
Minnie	29 January 1884	
Sydney Thomas	9 January 1886	Died 13 August 1964
Leslie	30 June 1888	Died 28 November 1968
Mabel	5 December 1889	Died 4 November 1954
Bertie	16 March 1891	Died 5 March 1892
Walter Raymond	14 April 1892	Died 26 April 1961
Eisie Lavinia	8 October 1893	
Horace Edmund	25 December 1896	Died 30 March 1990
Doris	20 June 1900	Died August 1990
Edna Lilius	30 January 1905	Died 19 February 1972

Jemima and Rosanna each provided the Registrar with birth details of a grandchild. How pleased and proud they must have been to be able to do that.



*Sketch of the outside of Thomas & Louisa Street's home. Done by Peggy Skeels*



Sketch of the inside of Thomas & Louisa Street's home. Done by Peggy Skeels.

After 62 years of marriage, Thomas died on 22 October 1935, of "arteriosclerosis senile gangrene". He is buried at Cornelian Bay Cemetery. His death certificate shows:

"Living	4 Males	8 Females
Dead	Nil	2 Females"

It is known from the records that Bertie, a son, died on 5 March 1892, yet in 1935, no mention made of the death of any males.

Mention is made of the death of two females, Maria, would be one, but who else I wonder?

In actual fact there were 5 males and 9 females in the family of Thomas and Louisa.

The Mercury says this about the death of Thomas:

*"On 22 October 1935 at his residence 32 Bedford St., New Town, Thomas dearly beloved husband Louisa Rose Street in the 84th year of his age. Burial - Cornelian Bay."*

Thomas' will makes extremely interesting reading, as a lot of people are mentioned:

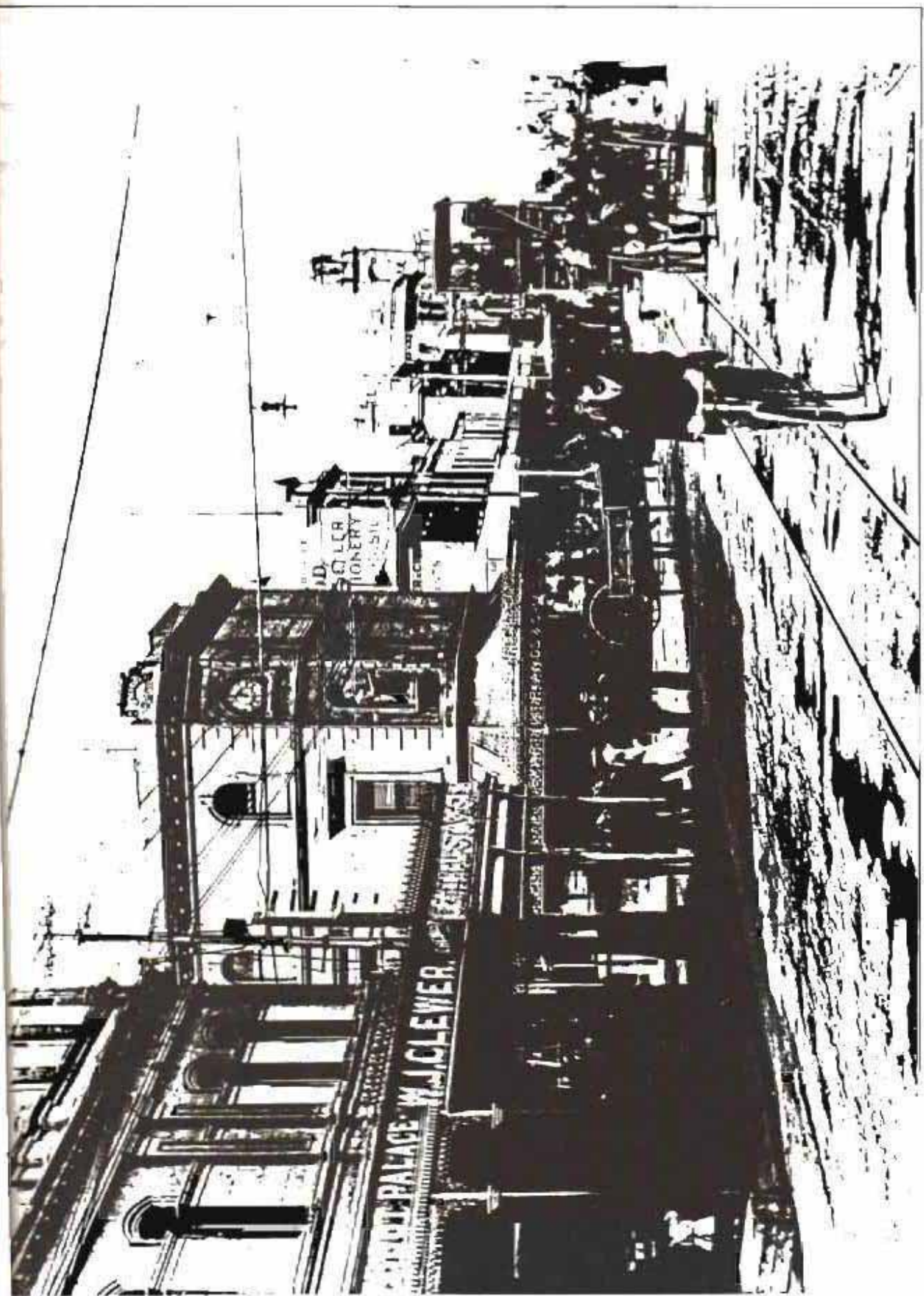
Walter Totham (nephew) and Horace Edmund Street (son), are appointed trustees and executors. Louisa is given the right to the home, furniture, rent and profits made from sale of real estate.

The children are named as follows:

*"Mary Annie Kahler, wife of Frederick Kahler of Dubbo NSW, Florence Morley, wife of John Morley of Melbourne Vic, Ethel Stewart, wife of Daniel Stewart of Risdon Rd. in Tas, Minnie Adams, wife of George Adams of New Town, Sydney Thomas Street of Lenah Valley in Tas, Leslie Street Hobart, Mabel Cooper, wife of William Cooper of Box Hill Vic, Walter Raymond Street of New Town, Elsie Lavinia Beston, wife of Jack Beston of NSW, Horace Edmund Street of Hobart, Doris Cromer, wife of Charles Cromer of New Town, Edna Lilius Hilder, wife of Charles Hilder of New Town."*

Note that the children are listed in order, from eldest to youngest.

Louisa died of "senile myocardial, degeneration, senility," on 19 May 1950, at the age of 93. She has no will.



Elizabeth St 1909.

- Photo courtesy Beattie Snider

Her death certificate says:

<i>Living</i>	<i>4 Males</i>	<i>7 Females</i>
<i>Dead</i>	<i>1 Male</i>	<i>2 Females</i>

So ended the lives of the first generation of the descendants of Richard and Jemima, the convict who made good and the wife who followed him across the world.

It would be interesting to find out how many brothers who married sisters, had recorded 60 years of married life together, as Richard and Lydia, and Thomas and Louisa both did.



*Louisa Rose Street*

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Wives Born.	Husbns Born.	Name.	Son or Daughter.	Names of Parents.	Residence.	Description of the Father.
25 <sup>th</sup> of 15 <sup>th</sup> Month X 1709	Witcham in the County of Hertford	Sarah Wheeler	Daughter	Josiah & Elizabeth Wheeler	Hitchin	Witcham
27 <sup>th</sup> of 1 <sup>st</sup> Month X 1800	Dalwood in the County of Hertford	John Payer	Son	John & Mary & Hannah Payer	Baldock	Brewer
17 <sup>th</sup> of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month X 1800	Hitchin in the County of Hertford	Sarah Lucas	Daughter	Josiah & Hannah Lucas	Hitchin	Brewer
30 <sup>th</sup> of 1 <sup>st</sup> Month X 1800	Hitchin in the County of Hertford	Sarah Thorn	Son	Richard & Elizabeth Thorn	Aswell	Aunts and Mother of
27 <sup>th</sup> of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Month X 1811	Houghton in the County of Bedford	John Bennett	Son	Josiah & Mary Bennett	Houghton	
16 <sup>th</sup> of 7 <sup>th</sup> Month X 1811	Hitchin in the County of Hertford	George Blackwell	Son	George & Elizabeth Blackwell	Hitchin	Shoemaker
21 <sup>st</sup> of 7 <sup>th</sup> Month X 1812	Hitchin in the County of Hertford	Mary Lucas	Daughter	William & Susan Lucas	Hitchin	Brewer
30 <sup>th</sup> of 9 <sup>th</sup> Month X 1817	Puller-hill in the County of Bedford	Elizabeth Coby	Daughter	William & Ruth Coby	Puller-hill	Farmer
28 <sup>th</sup> of 10 <sup>th</sup> Month X 1817	Amptwell in the County of Bedford	Thomas Mearns	Son	Thomas & Elizabeth Mearns	Amptwell	Shepherd
11 <sup>th</sup> of 12 <sup>th</sup> Month X 1820	North in the County of Hertford	Mary Street	Daughter	William & Sarah Street	Votton	The Father of this Child is a member of
17 <sup>th</sup> of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month X 1806	Amptwell in the County of Bedford	Mary Morris	Daughter	William & Susan Morris	Amptwell	Baker
10 <sup>th</sup> of 4 <sup>th</sup> Month X 1801	Raynton in the County of Hertford	Ann Morris	Daughter	John & Susan Morris	Raynton	Ironmonger
17 <sup>th</sup> of 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Bramfield in the County of Hertford	Ann Morris	Daughter	John & Susan Morris	Bramfield	Shoemaker

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When Born.	Where Born.	Name.	Son or Daughter.	Names of Parents.	Residence.	Description of the Father.
16th day of the month of 1798	Cambridge in the County of Bedford	Thomas Guiney	Son	Thomas & Anne Guiney	Cambridge	Farmer
19th day of the month of 1798	St. Albans in the County of Hertford	Elizabeth Brown	Son	John & Mary Brown	St. Albans	Farmer
27th day of the month of 1798	Northow in the County of Bedford	Richard Hunt	Son	William & Elizabeth Hunt	Northow	Farmer
23rd day of the month of 1798	St. Albans in the County of Hertford	Elizabeth Hunt	Daughter	William & Anne Hunt	St. Albans	Farmer
23rd day of the month of 1798	St. Albans in the County of Hertford	Elizabeth Hunt	Daughter	William & Anne Hunt	St. Albans	Farmer
1st day of the month of 1798	St. Albans in the County of Hertford	Joseph Hunt	Son	Joseph & Mary Hunt	St. Albans	Farmer
6th day of the month of 1799	St. Albans in the County of Hertford	William Hunt	Son	William & Anne Hunt	St. Albans	Farmer
28th day of the month of 1799	St. Albans in the County of Hertford	Thomas Guiney	Son	Thomas & Anne Guiney	St. Albans	Farmer
21st day of the month of 1799	St. Albans in the County of Hertford	Samuel Lucas	Son	William & Anne Lucas	St. Albans	Farmer
6th day of the month of 1799	St. Albans in the County of Hertford	Thomas Guiney	Son	Thomas & Anne Guiney	St. Albans	Farmer
7th day of the month of 1799	St. Albans in the County of Hertford	Thomas Guiney	Son	Thomas & Anne Guiney	St. Albans	Farmer
21st day of the month of 1799	St. Albans in the County of Hertford	Mary Hunt	Daughter	William & Anne Hunt	St. Albans	Farmer
21st day of the month of 1799	St. Albans in the County of Hertford	Mary Hunt	Daughter	William & Anne Hunt	St. Albans	Farmer

Quakers

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Quarterly meeting of Leeds Quakers

1788-1821

R.G. 6 Piece

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ON the *Twenty seventh* Day of the *Sixth* Month,  
 One Thousand *Eighteen* Hundred and *Twenty Eight*  
*was* born at *London*  
 in the Parish *of St. Martin*  
*County of Middlesex* unto *William*  
 and *Elizabeth*  
 his Wife, a *son* who is named  
*Richard*

We, who were present at the said Birth, have subscribed our Names  
 as Witnesses thereof.  
*Henry Parry*  
*John Sherwood*

*The Father of this Child is at present living*

Quakers



## A SECOND CHANCE

### CHAPTER 12

# THE CHILDREN OF JAMES STREET

## JAMES STREET JNR.

James was baptized at St. John's Church of England, New Town, on 9 May 1852. He was an artist.

An article entitled "Beginning of the 20th Century" by M. Highman, says:

*The latter years of the 19th century had seen the development of the fruit growing industry in this district... There were beautiful crops of high quality fruit and regular shipping services to markets in Sydney and Brisbane.*

*Less than a hundred metres from the Creek Road Terminus, and extending to the foothills, there were orchards on both sides of the road. In summer, the trees were laden with fruit of many varieties and colours – golden, red and green apples; sometimes several different varieties on the same tree, blending with other fruits, notably pears and peaches in a mouth-watering spectrum."*

James Jnr was married twice. His first marriage was to Martha Anderson on 25 September 1877. His wives were:

William Street  
Emily Anderson

Martha was born on 6 May 1856.

Mercury has this to say:

### DOMESTIC INCIDENTS – MARRIAGES

**STREET – ANDERSON** On Tuesday 25th September, by the Rev. William Nicholson, D.D. at the residence of the bride's parents, St. Andrew's Cottage, Warwick Street, James, eldest son of Mr. James Street, New Town to Martha, third daughter of the late Mr. John Anderson, builder."

James and Martha had the following children:

J1A	James Robert	28 September 1878	Died 16 June 1947
J1B	Leslie Arthur	21 February 1882	Died 26 May 1933
J1C	Annie May	29 June 1885	
J1D	Rose Myrtle	2 July 1888	

*Literary Comment re Coding Procedure.*

*In case of reference I have assigned a code number to each of the children of the third generation. The first letter indicates the Grandfather/Grandmother, the number is the parent's position in his/her family, and the second letter gives the child's family position e.g. take Rose Myrtle above. "J" means she comes from James, "1" says that James was the first child in his family, "D" means she was James fourth child.*

One of Martha's best friends was Rose Rebecca Grimston. She was to become James Jnr's second wife and apparently was very attractive. Rose Myrtle is named after her.

Martha died of "heart disease and rheumatic fever" on 23 September 1892. She is buried at Swan Bay Cemetery. Her grave says:

*"We trust our loss will be his gain  
And that with Christ ———"*

## COMMENTS ON JAMES AND MARTHA'S CHILDREN

### I1A James Robert

James was baptized at St. John's New Town on 6 Nov. 1878. He served with the 4th Co 2nd Imperial Bushmen - Tasmania. He was a Private Ex 231.

The Mercury carried the following death notice:

*"STREET - On June 16 1947, suddenly at the Repatriation Hospital, Hobart. James Robert eldest son of the late James and Martha Street, of New Town, aged 68 years."*

### I1B Leslie Arthur

Leslie was baptized at St. John's New Town on 15 March 1882. He was 5' 8 1/2", had blue eyes and dark hair. Religion = Church of England. Occupation = Miner. In the Second World War served with the 3rd Tunnelling Company as a Sergeant. (No. 1176) He won the D.C.M. and "*conspicuous gallantry in the field*".

He married Annie May — ("Gert").

The Mercury has this Death Notice:

*"26 May 1933 at his residence, 221 Harrington St. Hobart, Leslie Arthur Street, eldest son of James and Martha Street, husband of Annie May (Gert). Aged 51 Years. Late Sgt. DCM 3rd Tunnelling Co. 3rd Cornelian Bay."*

His gravestone simply says:

*"Till the day dawns."*

Annie died on 12 February 1946. The death notice below was in the Mercury:

*"STREET - Passed peacefully away on February 12 1946, Annie May, beloved wife of the late James Street, aged 60 years. Funeral private."*

### I1C Annie May

Annie was baptized at St. John's New Town on 20 July 1885. She married Charles Archibald White (born 6 March 1883) on 20 April 1905, at the Hobart Methodist Church and moved to Sydney to live. They had two children, Max and Jack, and lived at "Sannoya" Halydon St. E

Mrs. Marjorie Gosling says the following in a letter:

*"A family surnamed White had contact with Rose Utting over many years. I don't know what are connected to Rose Utting - perhaps Mrs. White was born Street. The White's had two sons Max and Jack. Jack's wife, Norma, could still be alive in Sydney. Max White worked in a firm in Pitt St., Sydney for many years. His wife is dead and he had two sons. Max lived at B Sydney."*

### I1D Rose Myrtle

Rose was baptized at St. John's New Town on 15 August 1888. After James Jnr died, she moved to Melbourne to live with her stepmother, stepbrother and stepsister:

Rose Rebecca (Street)  
Susan Rose Grimston (Street)  
Grimston James Boylan (Street)

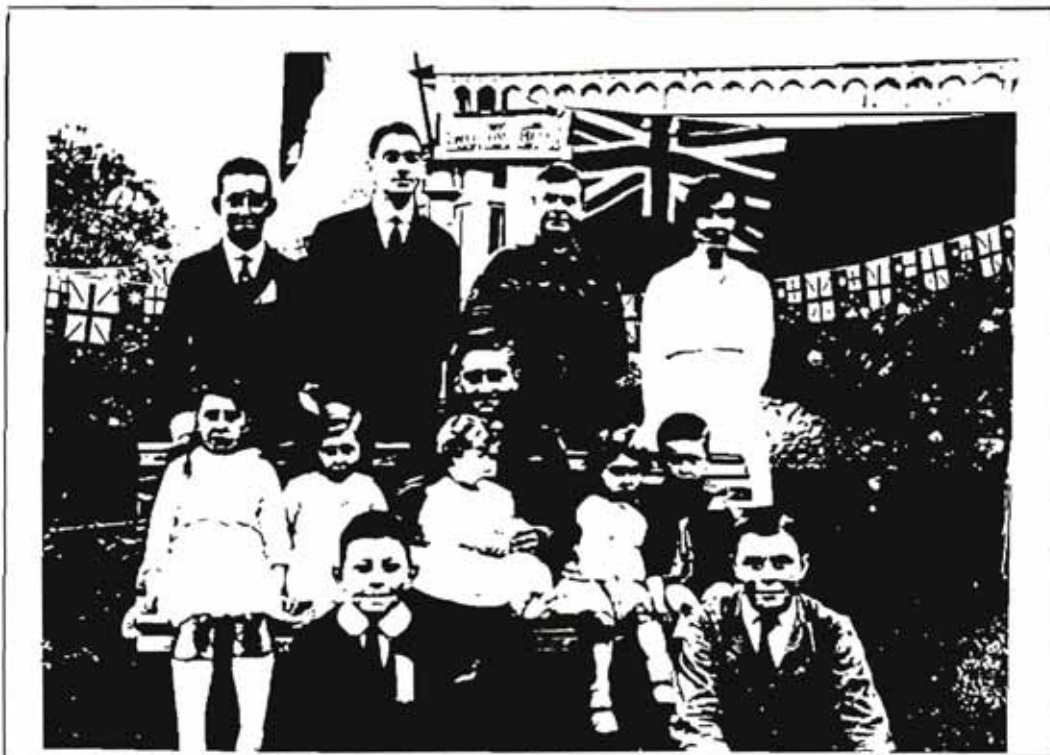
Rose was a bridesmaid at the wedding of Esther Wall to Alfred Dixon, which took place in 1909.

Some time later she had an argument with her stepmother, and moved to Sydney, where she became the housekeeper for Charles Utting, his wife and two children, Cecily and "Turramurra".

Mr. Utting's wife died. Not long after, Cecily died of T.B. Charles and Rose then got married. When Charles died, Rose was left the home at Priory Rd., Wollstonecraft, N.S.W. to use while Cecily was alive. Susan and Grimston came to live with her.



*Rose Rebecca, Ruby Rose, Rose Myrtle, & Rosa May (Harless)*



*BACK Les Thomas, Grimston, William Lyall, Rose Myrtle.  
MIDDLE Hazel & Tess Thomas, Phyllis & Mavis Turner, (one on Raymond's knee), Ken Turner.  
FRONT Bert Thomas, Harold Harless (Street unless stated)  
12 Rex Ave, Alphington at the end of the First World War.*

Further comments from Mrs. Marjorie Gosling:

*"Rose Utting had no children, but was stepmother to Mr. Utting's family. After Mr. Utting's death Rose was left the use of the home at Priory Rd., Wollstonecraft, where Rose, Susan and Grim lived. Susan died many years ago and I never met her.... Rose was an Edwardian lady, but was almost penniless as neither she nor Susan or Grim would lower their dignity to accept the dole. My mother says Rose was a charming lady who always wore a hat and gloves (even if greatly mended) and when my Mother went to afternoon tea, Rose served it on the best of silver and china with dainty cucumber sandwiches."*

James Jnr's second marriage was to Rose Rebecca Grimston. It took place at St. John's Church of England, New Town, on 6 July 1893. Witnesses were:

Violet Lucy Grimston  
Rose Grimston (Grandmother)

James and Rose had the following children:

J1E	Susan Rose Grimston	7 November 1894
J1F	Grimston James Boylan	2 June 1896

### COMMENTS ON JAMES AND ROSE'S CHILDREN

#### J1E Susan Rose Grimston

Susan was baptized at St. John's New Town on 12 Dec. 1894, and never married. She died on 21 August 1950 and is buried in the Grimston family tomb at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

The Mercury had this death notice:

*"STREET (Susan Rose Grimston) - On August 21 1950, suddenly at 35 Cromwell Street, Batter Point, the beloved daughter of the late James and Rose Street and darling sister of Grimston, Ann and Rose, aged 50 years [she was 55]."*

#### J1F Grimston James Boylan

Grim was baptized at St. John's New Town on 28 June 1896, and attended Melbourne Grammar in 1912. He never married.

Mrs. Marjorie Gosling says this about him:

*"Grim was a gentleman with perfect manners..... Through lack of money, he looked malnourished, had dirty, ill fitting clothes and required extensive dentistry. Whatever job he may have held early in his life, he soon got rid of and lived on the income of his mother, sister, and half sister all his life. When Rose died, Grim was left without a house and so blew what was left of any money on the last trip to England."*

Grim died outside Harrod's in London in the 1970's.

James Jnr died of "nephritis" on 14 November 1900.

The death notice in the Mercury says:

*"STREET - On November 14, 1900, at his residence, Scott - street, Augusta - road, James, the beloved husband of Rose R. Street, in the 49th year of his age. Funeral will leave above address on Saturday Morning at 9.30 o'clock, for Cornelian Bay Cemetery. Friends respectively invited to attend."*

The obituary in the Mercury is as follows:

*"On Wednesday last, 14th inst., there passed quietly away, at his residence, Scott - street, Augusta road, New Town, Mr. James Street, jun., at the comparatively early age of 49 years. Mr. Street was an Orchardist of considerable experience, and for many years a member of the old August Road Trust, and during his membership effected several important changes, and was a member when that Trust was fused with the Loniah Trust, and formed the present Town Board of New Town. Although Mr. Street did not take a prominent part in political matters, yet he always evinced a warm interest in everything pertaining to the progress of the colony, and by his kindly nature, and his readiness to extend the helping hand to anyone in need, attracted to himself a considerable number of personal friends who will feel his loss very greatly. Mr. Street was twice married, his widow being granddaughter of the late Mr. Henry Grimston."*

James Jnr's grave says:

*"In Loving Memory of James Street Jnr  
Died Nov. 14 1900 in his 49th year.*

*I came to Jesus as I was  
Weary and worn and sad  
I found in Him a resting place  
And he has made me glad."*

In his will, James Jnr left everything to Rose Rebecca.

Rose Rebecca had been left five hundred pounds by her grandfather, Henry Grimston. Her grandmother, Rose, also left her money.

After the death of James Jnr Rose eventually remarried. Her new husband was John Twaits, an engineer. The wedding took place at St. John's Church of England, Melbourne, on 4 December 1912.

Rose Rebecca died at Moonee Ponds on 12 December 1938, of "diverticulitis of the colon". She is buried in the family grave at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"TWAITS – On December 12 [1938], at her residence, Larundell, Maribyrong Road, Moonee Ponds, Melbourne, Rose Rebecca, widow of the late John Twaits, and beloved mother of Susan and Grimston."*

The will of Rose Rebecca left everything to her children:

Grimston James Boylan  
Susan Rose Grimston

## (2) WILLIAM STREET.

William was baptized at St. John's Church of England, New Town, on 27 August 1854.

He was a gardener and dairyman.

On 25 August 1875, he married an English born girl, Elizabeth Franklin, at St. John's Church Of England, New Town. Witnesses were:

James Street Jnr  
Ellen Street  
Mary Street  
Emily Harnsh

Elizabeth tragically died of "puerperal convulsions" on 11 July 1876, and was buried at Cornelian Bay Cemetery. She was only 26 years old.

The Mercury had this death notice:

*"STREET – On Tuesday the 11th July, at her residence, Augusta Road, Newtown, Elizabeth, the beloved wife of Mr. William Street, and eldest daughter of the late Henry Franklin of Swansea, in the 27th year of her age. Friends are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, which will move from her late residence on Friday the 14th day of July at half past 2 o'clock."*

William married for the second time on 3 April 1879. The bride was Emily Jane Anderson, daughter of John Anderson and Emily Christie. She was a sister of Martha Anderson, first wife of James Jnr, and was born 11 June 1858.

The ceremony took place at the home of the bride's father, Hobart Town, in Free Presbyterian Church rites. The witnesses were:

Fanny Anderson  
James Street Jnr

William and Emily had the following children:

J2A	William Lyall	24 January 1880	Died 23 November 1928
J2B	Maggie May	26 January 1881	
J2C	John Tasman	5 August 1882	Died 5 September 1888
J2D	Mabel Eveline	10 June 1884	
J2E	Emily Phoebe	8 June 1886	Died 26 December 1960
J2F	Florence Irene	7 May 1888	Died 10 August 1944
J2G	Winifred	29 March 1890	Died 12 June 1972
J2H	Arthur Alexander	8 November 1891	Died 22 February 1961
J2I	Sydney Anderson	21 February 1893	Died 4 January 1951

I am indebted to Beverley Greenway and Joan Gray for most of the information relating to this part of the Street family.



*Emily Jane Street (Anderson)*

#### COMMENTS ON WILLIAM AND EMILY'S CHILDREN.

##### J2A William Lyall

William was baptized at St. John's New Town on 17 Feb. 1880. He was 5'8", of dark complexion, blue eyed, and had black hair. Religion = Church of England. Occupation = Labourer.

William served in the 12th Battalion in the First World War, and suffered severe wounds.

Before the War, on 25 June 1901, he married Alice Quinn at Hobart. Their only son Tasman Roy, was born on 17 September 1901.

Alice lived at Western Crescent, Gladesville, NSW, whilst William was at the War.

They settled in Victoria in 1917.

The Mercury says:

*"On 23 November at Military Hospital, Caulfield, Melbourne, William Lyall Street in 47th year. Eldest son of late William Street Augusta Rd. (Late 12th Battalion)."*

William Lyall is buried at the Cheltenham Cemetery, Victoria.

#### J2B Maggie May

Maggie was baptized at St. John's New Town on 9 July 1884. She married T. H. Quinn on 6 January 1906. They had the following children:

Jessie Esme	4 October 1907
Reginald Herbert	16 November 1908
Eric William	26 February 1910
Colin Duncan	20 May 1914
Una Beryl	27 September 1922

Maggie was known as "Cissie" throughout her life.

#### J2C John Tasman

John was baptized at St. John's New Town on 30 August 1882. He died of "tubercular meningitis" and is buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"STREET - On Wednesday September 5 [1888], at Stephen Street Augusta Road New Town, John Tasman, the beloved son of William and Emily Street, aged 6 years and 1 month. Funeral will leave his parents residence this day the 7th inst. at half past 2 when friends are respectively invited to attend."*

#### J2D Mabel Eveline

Mabel was baptized at St. John's New Town on 2 March 1881. She married Charles James Anderson on 30 December 1903.

#### J2E Emily Phoebe

Emily was baptized at St. John's New Town on 21 July 1886. She married William Webb John Weston Parker in Hobart on 16 May 1905. They had the following children:

Frederick William	1906
Walter Arnold	25 October 1907
Jean Elizabeth	4 November 1911
Lois	11 October 1913
Bernard Arthur	21 April 1917
Phyllis Weston	1 July 1919
Stanley Weston	1923
Herbert Weston	31 August 1924

William was a motor mechanic. He died on 6 June 1926, of cirrhosis of the liver and heart disease, and is buried at the Burwood Cemetery in Victoria. The Mercury said:

*"PARKER - On 7th June 1926, at Melbourne, William John Weston, dearly beloved husband of Emily Phoebe Parker, Glenair, Park-road, South Camberwell, Victoria. Formerly with Messrs. A. G. Webster and Sons, Hobart. Late of Rickards Bros., Melbourne."*

Emily died on 26 December 1926, and is also buried at the Burwood Cemetery.



*Emily Phoebe Parker (nee Street)*

I2F Florence Irene

Florence was baptized at St. John's New Town on 20 June 1888. She married Alexander Eddystone Forsyth on 1 November 1911.

The following death notice was in the Mercury:

*"FORSYTH – Suddenly on February 16, 1955, at Hobart, Alec Eddystone Forsyth, of 67 Newdegate St., loving father of W.A.(Bill) of 12 Nelson Road, Sandy Bay, aged 67 years."*

Florence was cremated at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery on 11th August, 1944.

I2G Winifred

Winifred was baptized at St. John's New Town on 7 May 1890. She married Arthur Charles Henry Knop on 12 April 1911.

The Mercury had the following death notices:

*"KNOP – On March 24, 1964, at his residence, 9 Booth Ave. Glenorchy, Arthur Charles Henry, dearly beloved husband of Winifred Knop, in his 80th year. Late of Lower Longley."  
("Also – brother-in-law of Florence Street, and uncle of John, Lennie, Winnie, Stanley, Albert, Mavis, Edith, Fred, Betty, Athol and Leslie.")*

*"KNOP Winifred \_ Passed peacefully away on June 9, 1972, at Royal Hobart Hospital, dearly beloved wife of the late Arthur Knop, late of Longley, loved sister-in-law of Hilda, and aunty of Ila (deceased), Ray and Beryl. At rest."*



### 12H Arthur Alexander

Arthur was baptized at St. John's New Town on 16 December 1891. He married Florence Ada Slade in England on 1 April 1918.

They had the following children:

John, Len,  
Winifred Florence (1923 Married Roy Daniels),  
Stan, Albert, Mavis, Edith, Fred, Betty, Athol, Leslie

Arthur died on 22 February 1961.

The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"STREET – On February 22 1961, at his residence Fern Tree, Arthur Alexander, dearly beloved husband of Florence Ada Street, beloved father of John, Len, Winnie (Mrs. Daniels), Stan, Albert, Mavis (Mrs. Webb), Edith (Mrs. Klye), Fred, Betty (Mrs. Johnson), Athol and Leslie and loving brother of Mrs. Knopp, Glenorchy, aged 69 years. Late A.I.F."*

Arthur is buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

Florence died on 27 February 1970.

The Mercury had this death notice:

*"STREET Florence Ada – Passed away on February 27 1970 at Fern Tree, dearly beloved sister of Lily (Mrs. Read, England), Len (England – dec), Stanley (England – dec) and Rose (Mrs. Langlois, Victoria)."*

### 12I Sydney Anderson

Sydney was baptized at St. John's New Town on 29 March 1893. He married Hilda Beatrice Rayner at the King St. Church of England, on 8 January 1916, and they had the following children:

Ila Daphne	1916	Married Bernard Gordon Rule
Beryl		Married G. Sawford
Raymond Sydney		Died 31 October 1986

Sydney died on 4 February 1951 and is buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"STREET – On February 4 1951, at Lyall District Hospital, Queenstown, suddenly, Sydney, loving father of Ila (Mrs. B. Rule), Beryl (Mrs. G. Sawford), and Ray, of 24 New Town Rd."*

Emily Jane died of "acute hepatic abscess and jaundice", on 18 October 1893, aged only 35 leaving eight children, aged between 13 and 8 months. She is buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery. The Mercury had this death notice:

*"STREET – On October 18, 1893, at Augusta-Road, New Town, Emily Jane, the beloved wife of William Street, in her 36th year, after a short but painful illness."*

Her grave says:

*"We cannot Lord thy purpose say  
But all is well that's done by thee."*

William died seven years later on 27 August 1900, aged 42. He is buried with his wife. He appears to have left no will.

### **(3) ELLEN STREET**

Ellen was baptized at St. John's Church of England, New Town, on 17 February 1856.

She married David Wylie on 4 June 1879, at St. John's Church of England, New Town. Witnesses were:

Mary Street  
David Wylie  
James Street Jnr.

Rosemary Archer told me they were known as "Aunt Tit" and "Uncle Dave". Aunt Tit was a lovely person.

They did not have any children of their own, but adopted a girl and called her Vera. Vera married Frederick Prosser in Hobart and moved to Auckland, New Zealand to live. They had a daughter called Elsie.

Apparently Ellen was hit by a tram and confined to a wheelchair for the rest of her life. It is not known when this took place.

Ellen died on 28 October 1927, and is buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

David died on 22 November 1931 at the New Town Infirmary, as a pauper. He is buried with his wife.



*Vera Prosser*



*Vera & Fred Prosser*



*Vera & Fred Prosser's home in Auckland N.Z. about 1920.*

The Mercury had these death notices:

*"WYLIE - On October 28, 1927, at 51 Montague Street New Town, Ellen, dearly beloved wife of David Wylie and eldest daughter of the late James and Ellen Street, of Greenway, Augusta Road, in the 52nd year of her age." (she was actually 71)*

*"WYLIE - On November 22, 1931, at Hobart, David, eldest son of the late David and Matilda Wylie, of Apsley, in the 79th year of his age."*



*Dora Street, Elsie Prosser, Vera Prosser, Bryan Street.*

**(4) MARY JANE STREET**

Mary Jane was baptized at St. John's New Town on 22 Jan. 1860 and never married. She died of consumption, and is buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

Very few details are known of her life.

The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"STREET – On Tuesday April 10 1894, at her parent's residence "Greenway" Scott Street, New Town, Mary Jane (May), second daughter of James Street Sen. in her 35th year. Funeral will leave her parent's residence on THURSDAY AFTERNOON at half past 2 when friends are respectively invited to attend, for Cornelian Bay Cemetery."*

**(5) ISABELLA STREET**

Isabella is the only member of this family for which I have been unable to find a birth certificate, however she was baptized at St. John's New Town on 29 March 1863.

Isabella married William John Flintham Andrews, at St. John's Church of England, New Town, on 27 March 1889. Witnesses were:

- Martha Street
- Hedley Andrews
- Marian Andrews
- Samuel Street

William Andrews was born on 28 January 1864.

William and Isabella lived at Cross St. New Town. They had two children:

- Hazel Flintham 11 January 1890
- Grace Isabel 8 May 1891

Hazel and Grace attended the New Town Methodist Sunday School and they are mentioned in their father's will in 1914 and their grandmother's in 1919.

Isabella died of "phthisis" on 6 January 1893 in her 30th year. The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"ANDREWS – On January 6 [1893], at Cross Street, New Town, Isabella (Issie), wife of W. J. F. Andrews, and third daughter of James Street snr., in her 30th year."*

After her death, William married Ann Ada Totham, a cousin of Isabella, on 9 April 1900. Ann died on 4 January 1935, and was buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

William and Ann had the following children:

Roland John Blackwell	1907	Died 23 Dec. 1989
Keith Flintham	1904	Died 7 June 1967
Dorothy		
Max	1911	Died 16 Oct. 1979

#### (6) MARTHA STREET

Martha was baptized at St. John's New Town on 14 Feb. 1866.

She was aged 27 and died in the same year and from the same cause as her older sister Isabella ("phthisis").

Martha is buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"STREET - On Sunday, December 17 1893, at her parent's residence "Greenway" Scott Street, New Town, Martha, fourth daughter of James Street snr., in her 28th year."*

#### (7) SAMUEL RICHARD STREET

Samuel was baptized at St. John's New Town on 2 Feb. 1868. A school reference, dated 25 April 1884, had this to say about him:

*"He is good tempered, very obliging, and would, I believe, to the best of his ability, discharge every duty for which he might be found eligible, faithfully and well. His honesty of course is unquestioned."*

Samuel married Rosa May Harless on 6 January 1892, at the Holy Trinity Church of England, Kew, Victoria. Witnesses were Walter Harless, Joseph Stephens and Robert Thomas Norbey.

Bridesmaid's were Emily Cook, Lottie, Theresa and Florrie Harless.

The following press reports gave some details of the wedding:

*"STREET - HARLESS On January 6 at Kew, Victoria, by the Rev. Canon Vance, D.D., Samuel Richard, third son of Jas. Street, Esq., of Greenway, Tasmania, to Rose May [Rosa May], second daughter of Captain Harless of Kew."*

*"The marriage of Miss Rose May Harless, daughter of Mr. W. Harless of "Mariner's Rest" Highbury Grove, Kew, was celebrated in the Church of England by the Rev. Canon Vance. The bride, who was given away by her father, was attired in a lovely white silk dress, trimmed with chiffon. The fair attendants were Miss Emily Cook and Miss Lottie Harless (sister of the bride) both dressed alike in pale blue cashmere and lace. Mr. Joseph Stephens and Mr. Walter Harless (brother of the bride) acted in the capacity of groomsman."*

Rosa May Harless was born on 29 May 1874. Her parents were George William Harless and Rosa Sarah Miles.

Rosa Sarah Miles came to Australia with her sister, Elizabeth, on the "Isles of South" on 9 October 1860. Rosa was 16 at the time, and it is recorded that she could read and write. They were granddaughters of Jemima (Charlotte was their mother).

Samuel and Rosa May had the following children:

J7A	Ruby Rose	20 March 1893	Died 6 January 1960
J7B	Raymond Edward	31 July 1895	
J7C	Doris Theresa	8 June 1898	Died 17 March 1985

#### COMMENTS ON SAMUEL AND ROSA'S CHILDREN

##### J7A Ruby Rose

Ruby married William Fox (born on 29 May 1895) at St Jude's Church of England, Alphington, on 1 October 1921. Witnesses were:

V. E. Fox  
D. T. Street

They had the following children:

Raymond William	1921	Married Lorna Wohlers
Gwenda May	1924	Married George Marton
Lindsay Robinson	1930	Married Janet
Audrey Rose	1931	Married Max Green

Ruby was cremated at Fawkner Cemetery, Victoria.



*Rosa Sarah Harless nee Miles*



*Four Generations 1925 Ruby Rose Fox – Street, Rosa May Street – Harless,  
Rosa Sarah Harless – Miles, Raymond Fox*



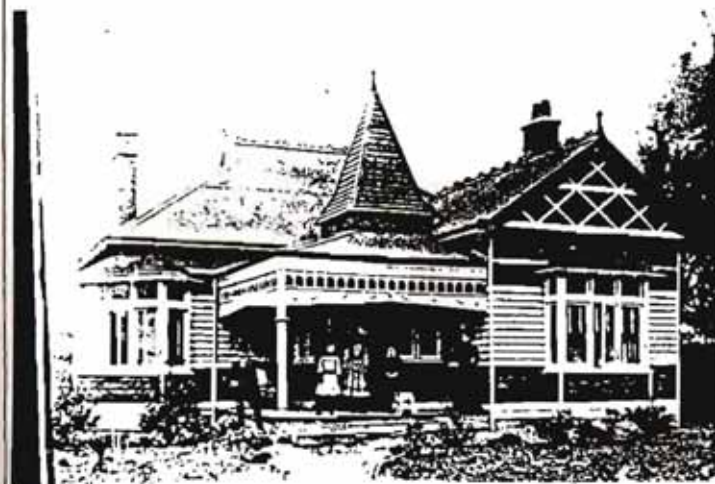
*Rosa May and Samuel Richard Street*



*William Harless & Samuel Street  
in Militia Uniform*



*Samuel Street 1890's*



*Home of Samuel & Rosa Street  
1-3 Rex Ave. Alphington. About 1904.*



*Doris, Samuel, Raymond,  
Ruby & Rosa Street.*



## 60-Yr.-Old Wedding Cake at Diamond Jubilee

*At 12 Rex-avenue, Alphington, yesterday, a hale and hearty couple, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Richard Street, were getting ready for a celebration.*

Tomorrow is their diamond wedding jubilee and to it they will bring a remarkable memento of January 8, 1892.

That was their wedding day at Holy Trinity Church, Kew.

At the reception 17-year-old Mrs. Street cut the wedding cake, but decided to preserve the upper tier.

For 50 years she kept it in a glass case.

At their golden jubilee guests lasted the cake and found the icing had preserved its flavor. The piece left over went

back into the case—for tomorrow's jubilee.

Yesterday 77-year-old Mrs. Street (above) displayed a piece of the 60-year-old cake as she sat with her 84-year-old husband around the new jubilee cake she had made.

The couple first met in Newtown, Tasmania, when Mrs. Street went holidaying there with her father, who was a master mariner.

Sixty-four years ago, Mr. Street watched the foundations go into the "outer circle" bridge which spans the Yarra by their home.

A builder, he had his eye on a half-acre block of land. Eventually he built their 8-roomed house there in Rex-avenue 45 years ago, when only two other houses stood in that part of Alphington.

He retired 10 years ago, but kept fit by gardening and rearing chickens.

Mr. Street attributes his health to an active life, and he rarely drinks or smokes.

"I believe in wearing out, not rusting out, as most men do when they retire," he said.

The couple have three children. Their son, Raymond, is assistant medical superintendent at the Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital.

Their great-grandson, two-

year-old Frank Martin, arrived with his parents from Adelaide yesterday to attend the celebration.

And also there will be Mrs. Street's two bridesmaids—Mrs. John Thomas, of Newport, and Mrs. Charles Turner, of East St. Klida.



17B Raymond Edward

Raymond served in the First World War, in the 5th Div. Medium Trench Mortar Battery. He won the Military Medal.

The report of his action says:

*"Two NCO's provided a stretcher and with great difficulty and under heavy shell fire succeeded in getting a badly wounded man to safety. Their coolness and courage under difficult circumstances served as a splendid example and certainly inspired confidence in the remaining members of the battery."*

He was the Assistant Medical Superintendent at the Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital.

He married Eileen Mary Spicer at St. George's Church of England, Malvern, on 24 November 1931. Eileen was born on 26 February 1904 at Cork, Ireland. Her parents were James Harry Spicer and Mary Godfrey.

Raymond and Eileen had the following children:

Rosemary	18 July 1933	Married John Archer
Dorothy Eileen	15 February 1934	Married Gordon Butterick
Marion Celia	21 May 1936	Married Douglas John Gay
Roger Raymond	2 May 1938	Married Susan Mary Wood
Edward Richard	27 May 1941	Married Judy Mary Brian

At the time of writing, (1990) Raymond and Eileen were both still alive.

17C Doris Theresa

Doris never married. She was left a half share in the property at 522 Pt. Nepean Rd. Bonbeach, by her mother.



Ruby & Raymond 1896

Raymond

Raymond



Raymond



Raymond & Eileen



Raymond

She died on 17 March 1985, of "cerebral thrombosis and arteriosclerosis" and was cremated at Springvale.

Samuel was a builder. A written interview, with Mr. Harold Harless is recorded in the "Leader" on 8 September 1982. Part is shown below:

*"In 1913 there were no footpaths, roads or gutters constructed in Fulham Ave., which is now Rex Ave., so Harold's Father and his Father's brother-in-law Mr. Street (Samuel) did all their own gutter curbing. The curbing is still there."*

When they celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary a newspaper report had this to say:

*"The couple first met in New Town, Tasmania, when Mrs. Street went holidaying there with her Father, who was a Master Mariner. Mr. Street retired 10 years ago, but keeps fit by gardening and rearing chickens. He attributes his health to an active life, and he rarely drinks or smokes. I believe in wearing out, not rusting out, as most men do when they retire." (He was 84 at the time - 5 January 1952)*

Rosa May was an excellent letter-writer - probably her school teaching background was helpful:

*"I have not been well for a long time, lost a lot of weight & my eyes are very bad, but I am thankful to say, I am much better again. One cannot expect very much at my age. I am in my 80th year & Sam will be 86 at Christmas. He is wonderfully well, but gets giddy turns at times & has to lie down. We are very thankful to be spared together for so long." (Written to N.Z. Relatives 25 November 1955)*

Samuel died on 11 April 1959 of "coronary occlusion, myocardial degeneration and pulmonary oedema", and was cremated at Fawkner. He was 91. At that time Samuel and Rosa had been married for 67 years.

Rosa died soon after her husband on 26 October 1959, and was also cremated at Fawkner. She died of "cerebral haemorrhage and atheroma". She was 85.

## (8) CHARLES JOHN STREET

Charles was baptized at St John's New Town on 23 Oct. 1870. I have been told that Charles liked a beer, and often had empty pockets. However he enjoyed buying children gifts.

He did not marry.

The Mercury had this death notice:

*"On 10 December 1931 at Melbourne, Charles John Street, 4th son of late James and Ellen "Greenway" Augusta Rd. and brother of Mrs. G. Phillips, Barom, N.T. Aged 58 years."*

## (9) ALICE AMELIA STREET

Alice was baptized at St. John's New Town on 28 Oct. 1874. She married George Benjamin Phillips at All Saints Church, Hobart, on 10 June 1909.

Alice and George had the following children:

J9A	James Benjamin	16 December 1910	Died 15 December 1925
J9B	Marjorie Augusta	17 March 1912	
J9C	Michael Patmore	22 August 1914	Died 7 January 1943

I am grateful to Mrs. Marjorie Bantick (nee Phillips), for the following details about her early family life.

Alice was a nurse and she trained in Melbourne. George was a carpenter and cabinet maker. He built their home at 25 Mary St. North Hobart and also one nearby that they rented out. For awhile, Ellen Street lived with them until her death in 1919. Marjorie remembers some words her grandmother said to her all those years ago - *"Little girl, there is one thing you will always be able to keep and that's your temper, because no one else will want it."*

After walks along the many bush tracks, a meal of barbecued sausages and billy tea was enjoyed, on many weekends.

There were many happy times with neighbours and friends. Sunday nights were particularly enjoyable as sing songs were regularly held. Alice was an excellent pianist.

On Sunday the family worshipped at Holy Trinity, with the children involved in afternoon Sunday School. Walks to the zoo and botanical gardens were sometimes enjoyed afterwards.

When she was 11, Marjorie contracted diphtheria which led to paralysis. The doctors indicated that it looked like a wheelchair. Alice refused to accept that decision and had Marjorie walking again in 12 months.

At the age of 17, Marjorie contracted T. B. and she was 21 before being pronounced clear.

Michael Phillips (George's brother), had a home by the sea at Sandy Bay. Christmas was often spent there, and the mile walk from the Lord St. tram terminus, loaded with Christmas presents, was hardly noticed.

A Saturday afternoon treat was to go to the pictures at His Majesty's Theatre - aptly nicknamed the "Flea Theatre".

In 1924, Alice started "Barossa", a rest home for elderly people. It was in the New Town area and 12 elderly folk lived there. It was the first private rest home in Hobart.

Barossa was sold after Alice died - in 1940. Marjorie and George moved into a flat. It was a lonely and sad time. James had died and Michael was at Tobruk. Marjorie kept house for awhile until she was conscripted. She made the choice to work at Cadburys and it was here that she met her husband Eric.

Marjorie and Eric were married at St. John's New Town on 4 December 1943. George continued to live with them. George was loved by everyone, particularly children. He and Eric got on very well together.

The following notices appeared in the Mercury:

*"PHILLIPS - STREET - On June 10 1909 at All Saints' Church, Hobart, by the Ven. Archdeacon Whittington, George B., son of the late Thomas Phillips, Hobart, to Alice A., daughter of the late James Street, Greenway, Augusta-road."*

*"SILVER WEDDING PHILLIPS - STREET - On June 10 1909, at All Saints' Church, Hobart, by the Venerable Archdeacon Whittington, George Benjamin, eldest son of the late Thomas Phillips, Hobart, to Alice Amelia, fifth daughter of the late James and Ellen Street, Greenway, Augusta Road. Present address: Barossa Rest Home, 57 Main Road."*

**NEW TOWN  
CIRCA 1892**



**57 NEW TOWN ROAD**

There is plenty of character to be found in this National Trust classified property. From the lace work verandah to the sandstone foundations this property abounds with the charm of yesteryear. Plenty of accommodation is provided by way of five bedrooms and four living rooms and the property, which is solid brick construction, is in sound condition but renovation and refurbishing will be required to enhance the intrinsic qualities of this home.

AUCTION: Wednesday, February 9, 12 noon in our rooms 5 Victoria Street, Hobart.

LAND: 29.87m x 46.72m.

SOLICITORS: Page, Seager.

*The former Private Nursing Home "Barossa" (the first Private Nursing Home in Tasmania)*

**COMMENTS ON ALICE AND GEORGE'S CHILDREN**

19C Michael Patmore

Michael joined the Army. He fought at Tobruk, and was later killed in PNG.

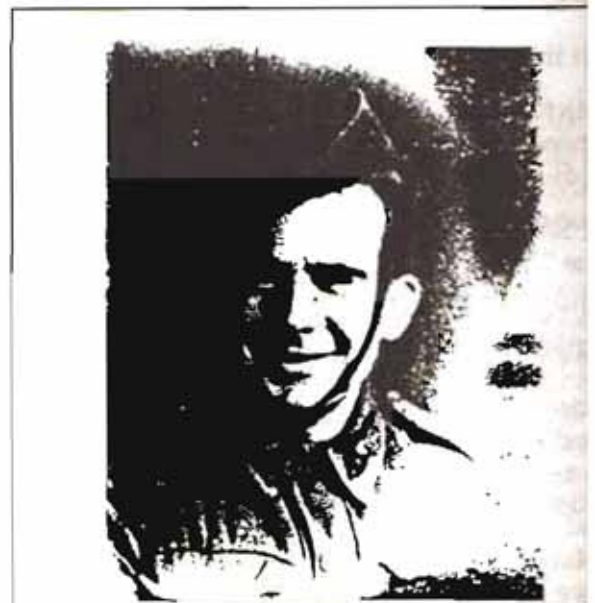
He is buried at the Soputa War Cemetery.

19A James Benjamin

James joined the Navy in 1925, and died of "meningitis" in Sydney. He is buried in the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"PHILLIPS - On December 15 1925, at Sydney, of meningitis, James Benjamin, dearly loved son of George and Alice Phillips of Barossa, 57 Main Road New Town, on his fifteenth birthday."*



*Michael Patmore Phillips*

19B Marjorie Augusta

Marjorie married Eric Bantick on 4 December 1943, and a son, Michael John, was born on 18 May 1946. Michael married Vera de Groot on 24 April 1971 and they have two sons, Matthew, born in 1978, and Sam, born in 1981.



*Alice Amelia Street*



*James Phillips, Dorothy Beswick (cousin),  
Marjorie Phillips now Bantick.*

Alice died suddenly of a diabetic coma on 31 October 1940.

The Mercury had this death notice:

*"PHILLIPS - On October 31 1940, at Hobart, Alice Amelia, loved and loving wife of George Phillips and loving mother of Marjorie and Michael (late Matron of Barossa Rest Home)."*

George spent the latter years of his life living with Marjorie and Eric. He was a lovely old chap, who died at the age of 97, on 30 July 1974. Both Alice and George are buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"PHILLIPS George Benjamin - Passed peacefully away on July 28 1974, loved husband of the late Alice Phillips, loving father of Jim (RAN dec), Marjorie (Mrs. Bantick) and Michael (2nd AIF dec), loving father-in-law of Eric Bantick, loved Pa of Michael and Vera and loving uncle of Dorothy, Bonnie and John. One of natures gentlemen with his loved ones, aged 97 years."*

#### (10) FLORENCE LOUISA STREET

Florence was baptized at St. John's New Town on 25 Oct. 1876. She had an illegitimate daughter, Florence Lillian. The child, born on 18 November 1899, died just four months later on 10 March 1900.

Florence married James Donald Henry Chisholm (born 24 August 1873) on 5 April 1904.

The following notice was in the Mercury:

*"STREET (CHISHOLM - STREET) - At the residence of the bride's parents, Greenway, Augusta Rd, New Town, by the Rev. J.S. Buntine, James Donald Henry, eldest son of James and Cathrine Chisholm, to Florence Louisa, youngest daughter of James and Ellen Street."*

Florence died on 21 August 1908, of T.B., and was buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

The Mercury, dated 22 August 1908, had the following death notice:

*"CHISHOLM - On August 21, 1908, at her residence Princess Park, Hobart, Florence Louisa, beloved wife of Donald Chisholm, and youngest daughter of James and Ellen Street of Greenway Augusta Road, aged 28 years."*

Her grave simply but powerfully says:

*"Peace, perfect peace."*

James Donald Henry Chisholm remarried after Florences' death. His new bride was Mary Mabel Wyatt. They had two children, Marjorie and Coralie.

James died on 17 January 1934, and is buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

#### (11) ROBERT EDWARD STREET

Robert was baptized at St. John's New Town on 23 Oct. 1878. He had brown eyes, brown hair, was 5' 10 1/2" tall, and fought in the Boer War with the 4th Contingent, 2nd Imperial Bushmen. His involvement lasted 1 year 135 days. He was attested at Hobart on 31 January 1901.

He decided to settle in New Zealand with his brother, Harold Sydney.

Robert married Johanna Wilhemenia Ackermann, in a private home at Watuna, New Zealand, on 16 September 1908. Witnesses at the wedding were:

Johanna Frederick Ackermann  
Elsie Angus Cameron

Robert and Johanna had the following children:

J11A	Edward James	28 August 1909	Died 19 June 1991
J11B	Sidney Ernest	27 August 1910	Died 26 December 1971
J11C	Irene Clarice	14 September 1912	
J11D	Sybil Ellen	3 December 1914	
J11E	Arthur Robert	12 December 1917	Died 27 June 1943
J11F	Leila Evelyn	21 September 1929	



*Robert Edward & Johanna Wilhemia Street About 1938*

#### **MEMENTS ON ROBERT AND JOHANNA'S CHILDREN**

##### Edward James

Edward married Eileen Victoria Geary on 15 February 1933. They had two boys – Roger and Denis. The newspaper had the following obituary:

*Ted Street, who was associated with the business community of Marton for almost 50 years, died in Marton Hospital recently aged 81.*

*Mr Street had lived in the town for 53 years and for 49 of those was in business in Marton's main street. He retired in 1987 after making a notable contribution to the community.*

*Born in Hastings, Mr Street was the eldest of six children. He received his primary and secondary education at Feilding and on leaving school worked for the New Zealand Farmers Trading Company in Feilding.*

*After his marriage in 1933 at the Feilding Anglican Church, the couple set up home in Feilding, but in 1936 moved to Levin when Mr Street was transferred there.*

*Mr and Mrs Street arrived in Marton in 1938 when Mr Street was appointed manager of Penney's grocery store in Broadway and 18 months later he took over Gorrie and Prince's grocery shop, just a few doors along.*

*During World War II Mr Street served in the RNZAF for four years, attached to the instrument section. On his discharge he returned to Marton to open a hardware store in the town, later expanding to include electrical appliances and real estate.*

*Finally he confined his activities to the wine cellar trade which he operated in the Broadway Mall for 12 years before retiring in early 1987.*

*Mr Street was active in the community. In his early days he was keenly interested in Scouting, serving as senior scout leader for some years.*



*Edward & Eileen 15 February 1933.*



*He was a member of the old Marton District High School committee, the Marton Rotary Club, served on the St Stephen's Church vestry for 11 years, was a committee member of the Marton Chamber of Commerce and was an early member of the Marton Probus Club. In his later life he joined the Marton Bowling Club.*

*He had a long period of service with the Marton Justice's Association after being appointed a JP in 1951. For 21 years he was the local registrar.*

*He had a notable record as a Freemason. He became a member of the Ruapehu Masonic Lodge 128 in October 1938 and in 1988 received a Gold Service Badge in recognition of his 50 years service with the order. In 1971 he was made a Grand Steward, and in 1976 became the Grand Director of Ceremonies for the district.*

*He is survived by his wife, Eileen and two sons, Roger (Whangaporoa, Auckland) and Denis (St John's Auckland).*

*People from all walks of life gathered at St Stephen's Anglican Church, Marton, for the funeral service to pay their last respects. The service was conducted by the vicar Rev David Sarsfield, who spoke of Mr Street's many fine qualities.*

*"When the family needed him, he was always there," the vicar said.*

*The Deputy Grand Master of the New Zealand Masonic Order Bill Anderson (Foxton) who had known Mr Street for many years paid tribute to him as a conscientious Freemason, a dedicated husband and a wonderful father and grandfather.*

*Both Mr Street's sons paid tribute to their father, speaking about his sense of humour and the "twinkle in his eye."*

*During the service, the lesson was read by one of Mr Street's grandsons, Julian (Auckland).*

*The service concluded when the worshipful Master of Ruapehu Lodge 128, Kelvin Downs, called on all members to come forward and place an acacia sprig on the casket - "the symbol of our Masonic belief".*

*Three hymns were sung - Abide With Me, The Day Thou Gavest Lord Is Ended and Praise My Soul The King of Heaven.*

*The pallbearers were the two sons, Roger and Denis (Auckland), brother-in-law Brian Philps (Feilding) and three grandchildren, Julian, Lucretia and Nathaniel".*

#### 111B Sidney Ernest

Sidney married Mavis Townsend. Pauline is their only child.

#### 111C Irene Clarice

Irene married William Gibson in 1935. They had eight children, Bruce, Peter, Donald, John, Marion, Ross, Ian, and Russell and at last count 19 grandchildren.

#### 111D Sybil Ellen

Sybil married Harry Crump. They had three girls, Dianne, Margaret, and Barbara and now have six grandchildren.

#### 111E Arthur Robert

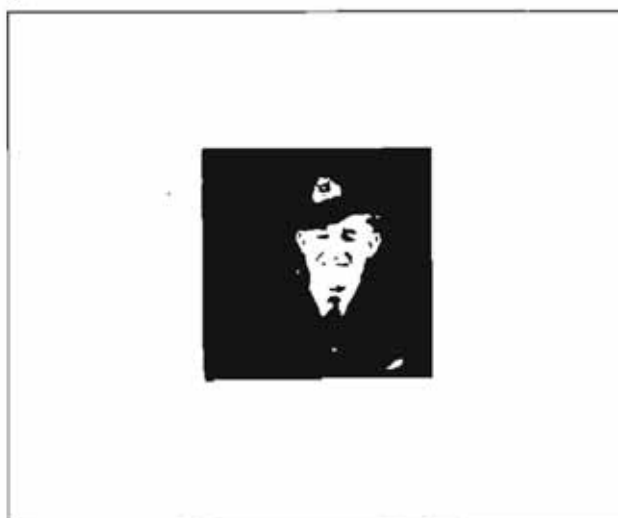
Arthur did not marry. He was in the First Fleet Air Arm, and died in an air accident in Cornwall, England.

#### 111F Leila Evelyn

Leila married Brian Philps. They had three boys, Rodney, Lindsay, and Andrew and now have four grandchildren.

Robert was a driver. He died on 14 July 1940.

Johanna died of "cerebral thrombosis" on 20 September 1953 and is buried at Feilding, New Zealand.



Arthur Robert Street  
Killed in an air accident in Cornwall 27 June 1943

*Children of Sybil & Harry Crump*



*Barbara - 20 years*



*Margaret & Peter*



*Dianne, Margaret & Murray (Dianne's Husband)*

## (12) HAROLD SYDNEY STREET

Harold was baptized at St. John's New Town on 5 Sept. 1883. At the time Harold enlisted to go to the Boer War, his occupation was a gardener. He was 5' 9" tall, and had fair complexion, brown eyes and light brown hair. After the war he settled in New Zealand, as did his older brother Robert.

Harold married Dora Evan Thornhill of Napier, at the residence of Mr. Robert Somerville, Bowen St., Feilding, on 19 February 1907. Witnesses were:

Robert Edward Street  
Gertrude Blythe

Dora was said to be born at Feilding, in 1888, although no record of her birth can be found.

Harold and Dora had the following children:

J12A	Naomi Ellen Sydney	3 October 1907
J12B	Bryan Kerri Thornhill	17 January 1909
J12C	Keith Ian	16 March 1916

### COMMENTS ON HAROLD AND DORA'S CHILDREN

#### J12A Naomi Ellen Sydney

Naomi has been married twice. Her first marriage was to ? Green and they had a son, Keith. Her second marriage was to Fred Sole. He died in 1985.

#### J12B Bryan Kerri Thornhill

Bryan married Maisie Olsen and they had three children, Sally, Michael and Gregory.

#### J12C Keith Ian

Keith won the DFM in the 2nd World War. He was the gunner in a plane which had a direct hit on the battleship, "Scharnhorst".

Keith married Joclyn Frank and they had three children, Ian, David and Sandra.



*Harold Street Boer War Uniform*



*Harold Street 1940's*

Harold died of "coronary thrombosis, coronary sclerosis and diabetes" on 7 October 1941, buried at the Te Henui Cemetery. His death certificate says he was living at 37 Morley Street, Plymouth.

A newspaper article had this obituary:

" BOER WAR VETERAN

DEATH OF MR. H.S. STREET

A veteran of the South African War, Mr. Harold Sydney Street, of New Plymouth, died suddenly on Thursday. He was in his 66th year. He had lived in New Plymouth for the past 13 years. Mr. Street was born in Hobart, Tasmania. He went to South Africa when 20 years of age and served through the war with the Australian Redcoats. On his demobilisation he came to New Zealand with his brother, Mr. Robert Street, now of Feilding, and entered the grocery trade. He joined the firm of Bramwell Brothers in Christchurch, and after a period in Wellington went to Feilding, joining the Bramwell Brothers and remaining there for 16 years. He subsequently went into business in New Plymouth on his own account. He lived for short periods at Palmerston North and Napier before coming to New Plymouth in 1935. In 1903 he was married at Feilding to Miss Dora Evan Thornhill, Napier, who survived by his wife, a daughter, Mrs N. Green, and two sons, Messrs. Keith and Bryan Street, both of New Plymouth. Before the Second World War Mr Street was with the Taranaki Chain Stores in New Plymouth. Failing health caused him to leave his work and he was later employed in the Public Works Department of New Plymouth. Mr. Street mainly confined his sporting interests to rifle shooting. An excellent shot in his younger days, he was a keen member for many years of the Feilding Rifle Club. The funeral took place at Te Henui."

Dora died of "malignant cachexia, metastatic carcinoma rectum and a fractured right femur" on 16 May 1965. She was cremated at New Plymouth. At the time of her death she was living at 3 Miro St., New Plymouth.

Newspaper Article on Ian Keith Street



GALLANT NEW ZEALANDER.—G. R. Ross, D.F.C., and his New Zealand gunner, Sergeant K. I. Street, D.F.M. (right). In a dive-attack on the battleship Scharnhorst at Brest they scored a direct hit, Street putting searchlights out of action.

## A SECOND CHANCE

### CHAPTER 13

## THE CHILDREN OF WILLIAM STREET

#### (1) WILLIAM STREET (JUNIOR)

William was the first son of William and Sophia. He was baptized at the Melville St. Wesleyan Church, Hobart, on 1 May 1859. Unfortunately he only lived for eleven months and died on 24 February 1860 of "diarrhoea".

#### (2) RICHARD GEORGE STREET

Richard George was baptized at the Melville St. Wesleyan Church, Hobart, on 4 May 1862. He married Mary Ann Felmegan on 11 May 1889, in the manse of St. Andrews, Hobart, in rites of the Presbyterian church. Witnesses were:

A. Street	(Arthur ?)
Sophia Lyons	(mother)

Richard George was 27 and Mary Ann was 45.

Mary Ann Felmegan was born on 12 July 1844.

Richard George was known to the children as "Uncle George". Richard and Mary had no children of their own, but "Uncle George" gave his nieces and nephews pocket money.

Richard used to come home drunk each payday, from his job as a council worker. He was converted at a Salvation Army Meeting and became a changed man.

Mary Ann died at her home, 30 William St., West Hobart, on 27 October 1919. She left no will.

The Mercury, dated Tuesday, 28 October 1919, had these notices:

*"STREET - On October 27 1919, at her late residence No 30 William-street West Hobart, Mary Ann, beloved wife of George Street. Aged 68 years. At rest."*

(She was in fact 75).

*"STREET - Friends are respectively informed that the funeral of the late Mrs. George Street will leave her late residence, No 30 William-street, at 10.30 Tomorrow (Wednesday) Morning, arriving at Queensborough Cemetery at 11.10.*

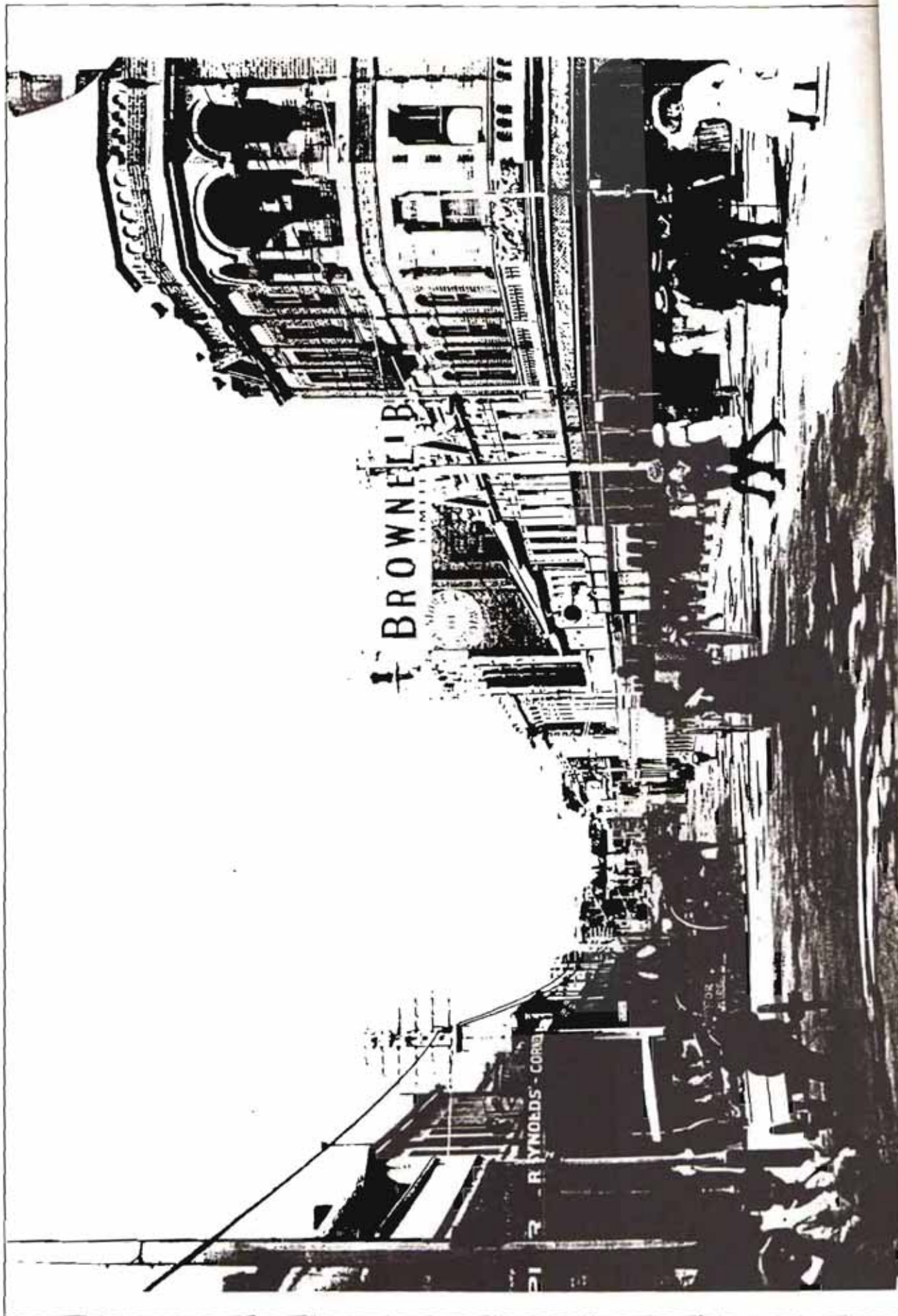
*PIERCE J. KEATING Funeral Director "*

Richard George died on 1 March 1932, aged 69. On his way home from a Salvation Army Meeting, he was hit by a motor-cycle. He was buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

The Mercury had various reports concerning the inquest into the death of Richard George Street which was conducted in March 1932. Here are some quotations from the articles:

*"An inquiry was opened in the Hobart Police Court yesterday, before the Coroner concerning the death of Richard George Street, 69 years, of Tolossa St., Glenorchy, who was admitted to the Hobart Public Hospital on February 5, suffering from a broken leg, said to have been caused by a motor cycle knocking him down, and who died on Tuesday at 11.59 p.m.*

*Formal evidence of identification was given by a brother, Alfred James Street, of 96 Forest Road, Hobart. He said that he had never known deceased, who was a pensioner, to threaten suicide. In hospital deceased told him that he was crossing Liverpool St., and when on the second set of tram lines he slipped. He tried to rise and thought that his leg was broken, but remembered nothing more. He made no mention of having been struck by a motor cycle.*



Cnr. Murray & Liverpool Street, Hobart about 1908.

Photograph courtesy Beattie Studios.

— deceased was admitted to the hospital on February 5, at 8p.m. He was in a shocked condition, and was suffering from a compound fracture of the right leg. There was an improvement in his condition at one stage during his stay in the hospital, but on February 23 he suddenly became worse, and died on March 1. Death was due to cardiac failure, consequent upon shock and toxæmia, following the accident. The injuries were consistent with having been struck by a motor-cycle. He was barely conscious, and made no statement.

Ruby Evelyn Hansch, a niece of deceased, said that she accompanied the deceased to the city on the night of the accident. She was looking in a shop window in Liverpool St., and when she looked round she saw the deceased lying on the roadway just above Murray St. She saw a motor-cycle nearby. Deceased's eyesight was good, but his hearing was not good.

— deceased passed between two stationary cars to cross the street, and when he reached the first set of tram rails he was hit by a motor-cycle.

The Coroner said that the verdict would be one of misadventure. There was a great deal of evidence first as to the speed of the cycle, but the versions were merely estimates, and it was hard to say whether the cycle was driven at an excessive speed on this occasion. Even if it were, it was far from certain that that was the cause of death. The rider seemed to have committed an error of judgement. Either he could have gone behind deceased or kept more to the right and so avoided him, but it had to be taken into consideration that the happening occurred on the spur of the moment —"

The death notice in the Mercury says:

"STREET – On March 1, 1932, at General Hospital, Richard George, relict of Mary Ann, and second eldest son of the late William and Sophia Street, of Hobart, aged 69 years."

and the funeral notice:

"STREET – Funeral of the late Mr. Richard George Street, will move from his late residence 96 Forest Road West Hobart, on Thursday (This Day), at 2.30 pm for Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

H.C.MILLINGTON PTY. LTD., Funeral Directors H.J.HOOPER, Manager  
200 Liverpool Street, Phone 5445 "

His will, dated 19 July 1921, says:

"I give devise and bequeath all my real and personal estate whatsoever and wheresoever of which I shall be possessed at the time of my decease unto and to the use of Elsie May Hanch [Hansch] for her own use and benefit absolutely."

### 3) WILLIAM JOHN STREET

William died on 4 October 1868, at the age of three. Cause of death was "whooping cough and convulsions". It is not known where he was buried.

### 4) ALFRED JAMES STREET

Alfred was baptized on 7 July 1867 at the Melville St. Wesleyan Church, Hobart.

He married Susannah Jane Ellis (born 30 November 1864) on 6 December 1886, at the home of the bride's father (John Ellis), in the rites of the Wesleyan Church. Witnesses were:

John Ellis  
Hannah Charlotte Ellis  
Emma Sarah Reynolds

Alfred lived at Queenstown, where he had his own business. Later on he lived at Glenorchy, and brought a shop in Moonah, from which he operated a pastrycook business. Alfred and Susannah were a very nice couple.

He joined the Army in the First World War, giving his age in 1917 as 44, when he was actually 50.

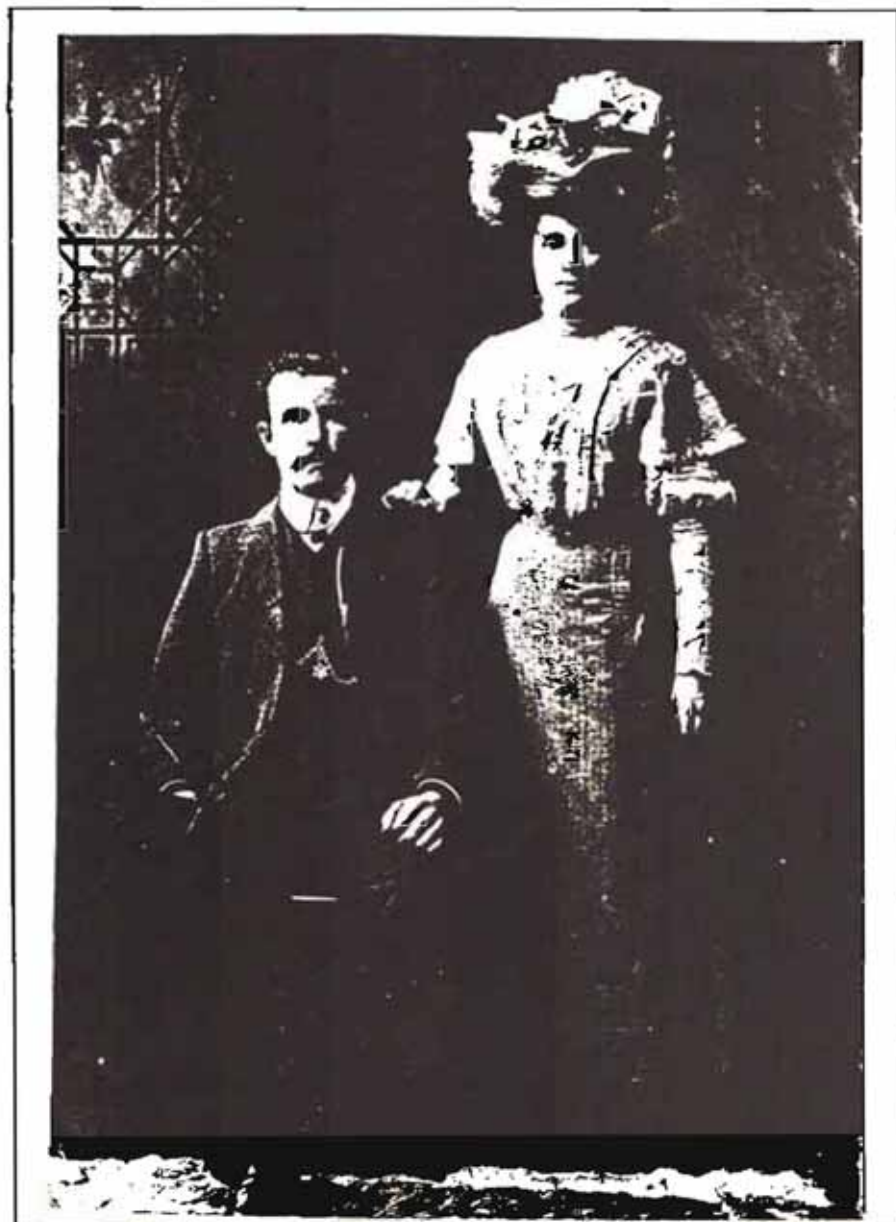
The following are details taken from his army record:

Height : 5' 9"	Occupation : Plate layer
Complexion : Fair	Religion : Methodist
Eyes : Blue	Residence : Queenstown
Hair : Fair	Interests : Rifle Club two years

He served with the 4th. Australian D.A.C., and saw action in France as a gunner. He was discharged on 13 September 1919.

Alfred and Susannah had the following children:

W4A Ethel May	1 May 1879	Died 31 March 1964
W4B John Alfred	19 November 1887	Died 16 February 1920
W4C Claude William Thomas	17 April 1892	Died 11 July 1948
W4D Herbert Tasman	6 November 1893	Died 11 April 1963
W4E Alfred James	13 August 1896	Died 4 April 1976
W4F Lilian Violet	1902	Died 21 July 1965



*Alfred & Susannah*

According to the 1911 census, Alfred and Susannah lived at 228 Warwick St., Hobart.

Susannah died on 3 September 1928, after 41 years of marriage. She was buried at Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

The Mercury said the following:

*"On 3 September 1928 at Hobart, Susan Jane Street, dearly beloved wife of Alfred James of 34 Forster St., New Town and loving mother of Ethel, Claude, Herbert, Alfred, Lily and late John. Aged 63 years. Funeral 5th September Cornelian Bay."*



Alfred died on 8 January 1939. The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"STREET - On January 8, 1939, at Royal Hobart Hospital, Alfred James, relic of the late Susan Jane Street, of Tolosa Street, Glenorchy (late A.I.F.)."*



*Article from the Tasmanian Mail dated 5 March 1904.*

*A.N.A. Cent. Celebrations at Queenstown. A. J. Street is on the right in front row.*

#### COMMENTS ON ALFRED AND SUSANNAH'S CHILDREN

##### W4A Ethel May

Ethel never married. She was the oldest child. She died on 29 March 1964 and is buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery. The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"STREET - On March 29, 1964, at a private rest home Hobart, Ethel May, dearly beloved daughter of the late Alfred James and Susan Jane Street, late of Queenstown, and loved and loving sister of Jack (deceased), Claude (deceased), Herbert (deceased), Alfred (Woolbridge) and Lillian (Mrs. Ned Stansall). In her 75th year."*

##### W4B John Alfred

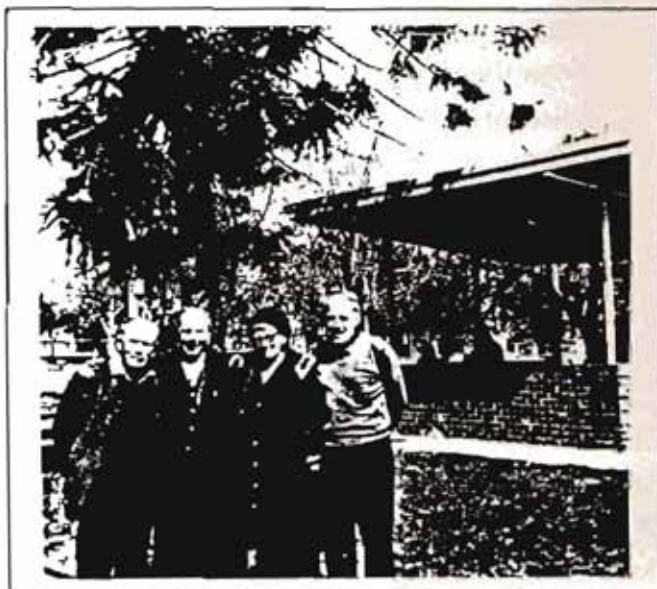
John married Drenda Josephine Carver and they had the following children:

Gloria	1907	Died 24 October 1910
William John	16 March 1912	Died 15 November 1981
Gloria Gladys	1916	Died 24 September 1919
Sydney Francis	10 May 1920	

William John married Daphne Maud Williams and they had two children. Sydney Francis married Olive Adelaide ?

John Alfred was a dock hand who assisted tying up ships about to berth. There are two stories circulating about how he met his death. They are:

- (1) He was crushed to death between a boat and the wharf, whilst trying to save the life of a young child;
- (2) He incorrectly tied up a ship and had his leg crushed. Gangrene set in and he died.



*The Streets at Benalla, 8 Sept 1968. Roy, David, Winifred (Peg) & Henry*

(6) HERBERT JOHN STREET

Herbert married Flora Alice Swinton on 1 April 1899, at the Tasmanian Free Church.  
Witnesses were:

William Palmer  
Henrietta Spruny

Flora Alice Swinton was born on 23 February 1877, at Kakoura, New Zealand.

Herbert was a tailor and for awhile he had his own business in Murray St. Hobart. He worked at the insane asylum in Hobart. He was living at 29 Goulburn St., before he w

Flora was always known by her second name, Alice. She was a big woman with a lot of Christian nature, and her home was open to everyone, including those in need. She was quick to move when brother-in-law Arthur died in 1930, offering friendship and care to the children.

My father never forgot the wonderful camping holiday he had with his Aunt Alice and Herbert, and some of their children in 1931. He not only talked about it, but wrote the story down.

Three of her children went to serve on the mission fields. There is evidence to show that one of them went for a short time.

Herbert served in the First World War.



*Holiday of a Life Time*



Herbert and Alice had the following children:

W6A	Margaret Olive (Olive)	12 January 1900	
W6B	William John (Jack)	24 September 1901	Died 2 March 1963
W6C	Thomas Arthur	5 June 1903	
W6D	Harold Wainfleet	10 June 1904	Died 10 March 1988
W6E	Eric Norman	16 March 1908	Died 1986
W6F	Kenneth Charles	13 October 1915	Died 27 Oct 1943
W6G	Philip George	10 August 1921	Died 12 Feb 1989
W6H	Annie Eva (Nancy)		
W6I	Bette Margaret		

Alice died suddenly on 9 January 1932.

The Mercury said:

*"On 9 Jan 1932 (suddenly) at her residence 9 Salvator Rd. West Hobart, Flora Alice Street beloved wife of Herbert John. Aged 34 yrs. Funeral 9th. - Cornelian Bay." [Her actual age at death was 54 years]*

Herbert died on 28 November 1942. He left no will.

The Mercury said:

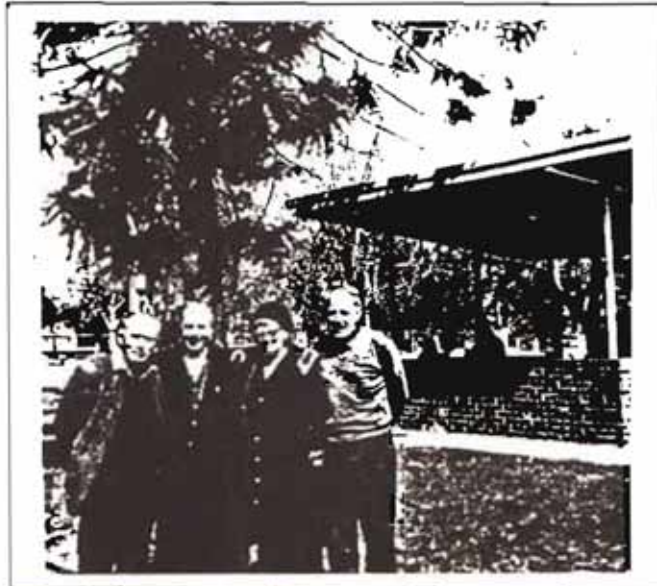
*"On 28 Nov. 1942 (suddenly) at Paper Beach, West Tamar, Herbert John Street relict of Flora Alice Street of 29 Forest Rd. Trevellyn and late of Hobart. Aged 71 years. Private interment Cornelian Bay."*

The grave has a simple white cross added to it by Beth Davey (nee Street) from Safety Bay, W.A., which says:

*"Abide with Thee"*



*Margaret Olive Street*



*The Streets at Benalla, 8 Sept 1968. Roy, David, Winifred (Peg) & Henry*

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Witnesses were:

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Henrietta Spruny

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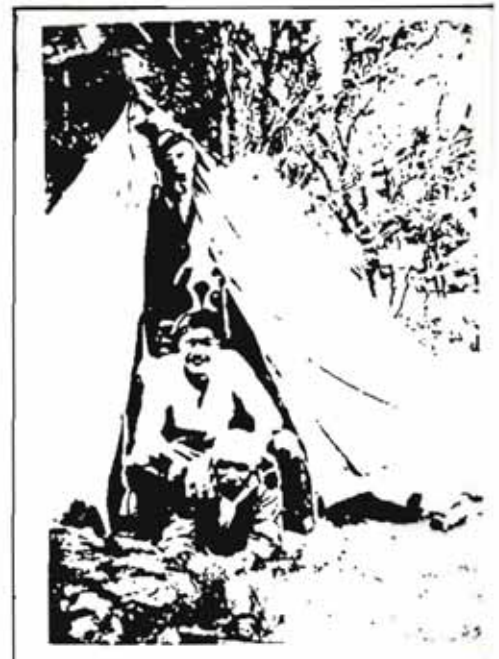
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*Holiday of a Life Time*





BACK: Kenneth Charles Street. FRONT: Philip George Street & Eric Norman Street

#### COMMENTS ON HERBERT AND ALICE'S CHILDREN

##### W6A Margaret Olive

Margaret, or Olive as she was known, was the first Tasmanian woman to graduate from Melbourne Bible Institute. She commenced her course in September 1923 and graduated in August 1925.

Mr. C.H. Nash, M.A., Principal, had this to say about her on 9 August 1929, when she applied for a job with the United Aboriginal Mission:

*"Miss Street was a student of more than ordinary ability and obtained an excellent record in term examinations. She gave proof also of possessing gifts of teaching which she has since developed in her practice at Hobart. She has too a gentle winsome personality which ingratiates her with those amongst whom she lives and works. I regard her as specially well-qualified both by temperament and experience for work among the aborigines. P.S. I should have added that her Christian devotion and spiritual earnestness are unquestionable."*

Page six of the "COO-EE", dated 6 October 1927, has this to say about Margaret Olive Street:

*"On the evening of September 11, at the Mission Hall, the Dedication Service of Sister Street, who has since been appointed to the work was held..... the lesson, which was from Solomon's Dedication Service of the Temple, was read by Sister Olive."*

Olive married Leslie Harold James White at the Wesley Church, Hobart on 12 April 1930. They had no children.

Olive and Leslie went to Sydney on the "Zealandia" to work for the United Aborigines Mission. Those who have been good enough to provide me with the following details from their records of work undertaken by Olive and Leslie:

"Arrived La Perouse 14 April 1930. Appointed Secretary of the State Council June 1934. Resigned as Secretary and moved to Bellbrook, December 1935, on account of Mrs. White's health. Appointed Secretary and moved back to La Perouse August 1936. Miss Nancy Street present at La Perouse June 1937. Retired from La Perouse January 1941, to take up Christian activities in another state. From July 1st. 1935 till July 1961, they are listed as associate workers at Gnowangerup, W.A., when he [Leslie] was appointed temporary State Representative till July 1962, after which I can find no record."

After finishing work in W.A., they came and lived with Nancy Cameron (nee Street - Olive's sister), for a while. Olive lived the last years of her life in the Church of Christ homes.

Leslie went to live with his sisters in Hobart. I have been told that someone called Hansed (?), a relative, also lived there with them.

"Olive was kind, considerate and very generous. She had a strong faith from childhood. Les is best described as a gracious christian gentleman, loved and respected by those he worked amongst, lovingly known as Uncle Les." (Thomas Street)

#### 6B William John (Jack)

William married Mary Winifred Sutcliffe. They had two children:

Judy  
Dawn

Judy has remained single and is a nurse.

Dawn married Baden Thorp. They have three children, Phillip, Laurie and Christine.

Winifred was a Captain in the Salvation Army. She was a painter, a pianist and music teacher and enjoyed knitting. She was so good that she knitted garments for "New Idea Weekly". Jack was a upholsterer.

Winifred was born on 20 April 1899 and died on 22 May 1990, aged 91.

Her death notice in the Mercury said:

"STREET Mary Winifred (Win) - On May 22 1990, at the Peacock Convalescent Home, Hobart, dearly beloved wife of the late William John (Jack) Street, loved and loving mother mother of Judy and Dawn (Mrs. Thorp), loved mother-in-law of Baden, loved Nan of Phillip and Jacki, Laurie and Christine, Christine and Timothy and Debbie and loved "Nanette" of Jonathan and Alex Kendall. A lovely lady."

Jack was drowned at Snug on 2 March 1963. He was 61.

The Mercury had the following death notice:

"STREET - William John (Jack) accidentally drowned at Snug on 2 March 1963, loving husband of Win, loved & loving father of Judy and Dawn (Mrs Thorp). Father-in-law of Baden & devoted grandfather of Phillip, Laurie & Christine. In his 62nd. year. Late Hobart Waterside Workers Federation. Late A.E.M.E. 2nd. A.I.F. Burial Cornelian Bay."

#### C Thomas Arthur

Thomas was converted at the age of 20, and became interested in missionary work through the influence of his sister, Olive. It was through his attendance at the Collins St. Church of Christ, Hobart, that he met Beryl Ivy Kingston, who was to become his wife. They were married on 10 October 1929, at Derby, W.A.

Thomas was born at Bream Creek, Tasmania. Her parents were Hubert Lenore Kingston and Cissie Edith Williams.

Thomas and Beryl had the following children:

Herbert Thomas	16 February 1930
Ruth	10 May 1934
David	15 November 1935
John	15 July 1937
Philip Howard	27 July 1941



*Thomas Arthur & Beryl Ivy Street at their 60th Wedding Anniversary, held at John Street's home  
10 October 1989. With them is their son, David.*

Tom and Beryl served on the Mission fields with the United Aboriginal Missions for over 30 years in W.A. Tom grew to know and love the Kimberley region and its people.

They have retired to Albany, W.A.

Herbert married Ada Collier on 19 May 1958, in Mogadiso, Somalia, Africa. Their children are Ken, Robert and Lynette.

Ruth married Roderick William Schenk on 5 July 1958, at Gnowangerup, W.A. Their children are Philip, Rosalyn, Lois, Everard and Jillian.

David married Joy Morrow on 22 October 1958, at South Perth. Their children are Peter, Jen, Steven, Coralie, Mark and Kelvin.

John married Elva Garnet on 12 March 1960 at Albany. Their children are Adrian, Warren and Bradley.

Phillip married Valerie Sligh (?) on 10 October 1963. Their children are Cheryl and Trevor.

W6D Harold Wainfleet.

Harold was a window dresser before he became a Church of Christ minister. He married Lyla Gladys Kingston, a sister of Beryl, on 7 August 1930. They also met at the Collins St. Church of Christ, Hobart.

Lyla was born on 23 January 1906, at Bream Creek, Tasmania.

Harold and Lyla had the following children:

Grahame Harold	21 September 1931
Ian Thomas	22 July 1933
Berice Olive	22 September 1936
Kathleen Lyla	12 May 1940
Robert Bruce	11 December 1945

Lyla died on 28 May 1989 and the following death notice was in the Mercury:

*"STREET Lyla Gladys, Passed away suddenly in Melbourne, May 28, 1989, loved and loving wife of the late Harold W. Street, loved mother and mother-in-law of Grahame and Shirley, Ian and Jan, Berice and Ross, Kathleen and Tony, Robert and Annette, and loved grandmother of all grandchildren and great grandchildren. Together again and forever with the Lord. Funeral service Melbourne, Wednesday, May 31 1989."*

Harold died on 10 March 1988. The following death notice was in the Mercury:

*"STREET Harold W. - Passed away in Melbourne on March 10, 1988, dearly loved and loving husband of Lyla, loved father and father in law of Grahame and Shirley, Ian and Janice, Berice and Ross, Kathleen and Tony, Robert and Annette, and loved grandfather of all his grandchildren and great grandchildren. Forever with the Lord."*

Grahame married Shirley Anne Martin on 5 December 1959, at the Launceston Church of Christ. They have two children, Anthony and Linda.

Ian married Janice Mary Davis on 30 January 1959, at St. Peters, Bruny Island. They had two children, Jane and Garry. Garry died on 7 February 1982.

No information is presently available on Berice.

Kathleen married Antonio Davide on 24 October 1958, at the Hobart Church of Christ. They have four children, Vince, Nilea, Roland and Lance.

Robert married Annette Fay McCasker on 13 January 1973, at the Collingwood Church of Christ. They have two children, Benjamin and Joel.

#### W6E Eric Norman

Eric married Margaret Elsie Pritchard, whom he met whilst boarding in her parent's home, when working with Cox Bros in Launceston. He was employed as a salesman/buyer. They had two children, David and Kenneth.

He served with the Army during the Second World War in Europe and Singapore. He was a POW in Malaya.

His service record describes him as:

Height	5 ft 4 1/2 inches
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Fresh
Hair	Brown

Eric died in 1986, and Margaret on 11 March 1985.

The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"STREET Margaret Elsie - Passed away peacefully at her residence on March 11 1985, loved wife of Eric, mother of David and Kenneth and loved Nanna of her grand daughters. No flowers by request please."*

#### W6F Kenneth Charles

Kenneth was a farm hand. He died of malaria as a P.O.W. in Thailand during the Second World War.

His Army service record describes him as:

Hair	Fair
Eyes	Blue

#### W6H Annie Eva (Nancy)

Nancy went to La Perouse Aboriginal Mission in June 1937 to see her sister Olive and her brother-in-law, Leslie White.

Nancy met David Malcolm Cameron at Franklin. They were married on 1 November 1947 in the Franklin Methodist Church. Witnesses were:

F. J. Cameron  
M. Ward

For many years they ran an orchard in the Huon. Nancy and David had three children, Bessie, Margaret and David.

#### W6G Philip George

Philip worked as a farm hand before joining the army. It was whilst employed as a farm hand, at Oyster Cove, that he met Sylvia Jean Grace.



They married on 23 June 1942 and had the following children:-

Michael Terence	18 June 1945	Married Sonja Olle
Susan Frances	11 December 1946	Married Colin Kelly
Stephen Philip	11 October 1951	Married Marie Lodge
Karen Grace	7 March 1961	Married Christopher Ikin



*Phillip & Sylvia 23 June 1942.*

The Mercury had this death notice:

*"STREET Phillip George - Suddenly on February 12, 1989, beloved husband of Sylvia and loved loving father and father in law of Michael and Sonya (Queanbeyan), Susan and Colin (W. Stephen and Marie (Stowport) and Karen and Chris (Rossarden). Beloved poppy of all grandchildren. Late 2/12th Batt. TPI Assn. and Rat of Tobruk. May he rest in peace."*

#### W61 Bette Margaret

When she was a child, Bette was adopted by Alice and Herbert. Alice died suddenly in 1931, and their large family split up. Bette was taken by Margaret and Arthur Geeves to live in Sydney (Margaret was Alice's sister)

Bette was isolated from her large family and missed them dreadfully. She went to boarding school and was visited infrequently by Margaret and Arthur, and so her childhood was a lonely one.

At the age of 18, Bette went to live with a girl friend and her mother. Herbert Street sent money to assist with her board. She stayed there until she married Arthur John Hatherall Davey, a butcher on 11 June 1946.

Bette and Arthur had ten children, all born in N.S.W.:

Kenneth John	4 Sep 1947	Married Suzanne Barnes
Geoffrey	22 Dec 1948	
Christopher Robin	22 Sep 1950	
Patricia Anne	10 April 1952	
Ruth	3 Sep 1954	Married Brian Bailey
Gregg	17 Sep 1958	Married Christina Easton
Leonie	6 April 1960	Married Neil Quick
Gavin	18 Dec 1962	
Sally Marie	12 June 1964	Died 16 Jan 1987 Perth
Andrew George	27 March 1969	

twelve years ago (1979) Bette and Arthur moved to W.A. to be with their daughter, Patricia, who was nursing at that time. She is now working with Youth for Christ.

#### 7) ALBERT THOMAS STREET

Albert was baptized at New Town Methodist on 15 June 1873. He died as a result of being scalded, and got congestion of the lungs. Apparently he climbed into a hot bath. He was only two years old.

Albert is buried at Cornelian Bay Cemetery with his mother and father.

#### 8) ELSIE MAY LYONS

Elsie was born on 16 September 1883 at Hobart. Her mother is shown as being Elizabeth Lyons. However Elsie's baptismal certificate shows her birth date as 12 December 1881, and parents as Sophia & William Street (William died in 1873).

Sophia, William's widow, had married Moses Lyons on 25 July 1885.

Elsie was obviously very much influenced by the Street boys - George, Alfred, Arthur and Herbert. She was probably spoilt by them. She grew up considering herself a Street and the evidence is apparent on her wedding certificate, as she signed herself, "Elsie Street".

My uncles and my father all thought she was their aunt.

Elsie is therefore included here as part of the William Street family.

Elsie married Alfred Ernest Hansch on 31 October 1900, at St. John's the Baptist, Hobart. Witnesses were:

Herbert Street  
William Palmer  
Jessie Swinton  
Lerro Ayers

Alfred was born on 1 August 1872, at Sandford, Ralph's Bay, Tasmania.

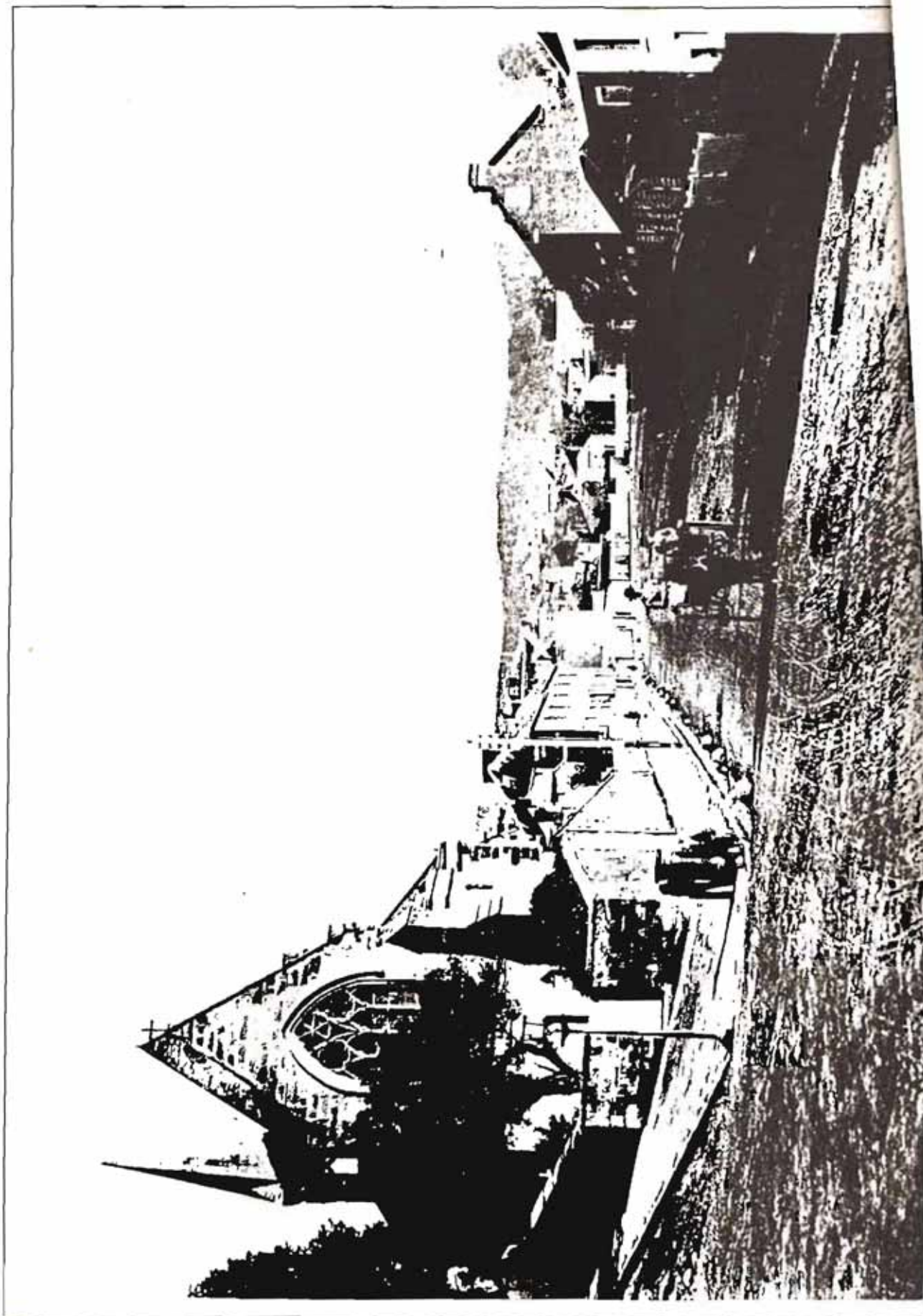
Elsie and Alfred had the following children:

W8A	Elsie Louisa Myrtle	12 September 1901	Died 26 September 1984
W8B	Thelma Daphne	27 June 1903	Died 25 December 1903
W8C	Isabell May	2 October 1904	Died 7 April 1934
W8D	Beatrice Irene	24 January 1906	
W8E	Violet Doreen	20 January 1909	Died 8 May 1938
W8F	Kenneth Alfred George	30 November 1911	Died 29 December 1912
W8G	Lola Alice	7 November 1916	
W8H	Ruby Evelyn	11 September 1920	Died 11 August 1984
W8I	Olive		

Alfred was a master mariner. He and Elsie lived at 22 Napoleon St. Battery Point.

Alfred died on 5 July 1935, and was buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery. The Mercury had this death notice:

*"HANSCH - On July 5 1935, at Hobart, Alfred Ernest, dearly loved and loving husband of Elsie May Hansch of 22 Napoleon Street, Battery Point, and beloved father of Elsie, Doreen, Lola and Ruby, aged 64 years (Late Master Mariner)."*



*Goulburn St. & Forest Rd., Hobart, with St. John the Baptist Church of England, about 1900.*

*- Photo courtesy of Beattie Studios, Hobart.*



*Elsie & Alfred Hansch 31 October 1900.*

Elsie went and lived with Arthur for a while, in 1918, after Ethel died. She brought two of her daughters with her.

She also acted as a midwife for Herbert and Alice, when Annie Eva was born.

Elsie died on 18 May 1942, and the Mercury had the following death notice:

*"HANSCH - On May 18 1942, Elsie May, beloved wife of the late Alfred Hansch, of Hobart, and loving mother of Elsie (Mrs. Berwick), Lola (Mrs. Brewster) and Ruby, and loving sister of H. J. Street, aged 60 years."*

#### COMMENTS ON ELSIE AND ALFRED'S CHILDREN

##### W8A Elsie Louisa Myrtle

Elsie was baptized at St. John the Baptist Church of England, Hobart, on 16 October 1901. She married twice. Her first marriage was to Arthur Smith and her second was to Foyer Louis Berwick.

##### W8B Thelma Daphne

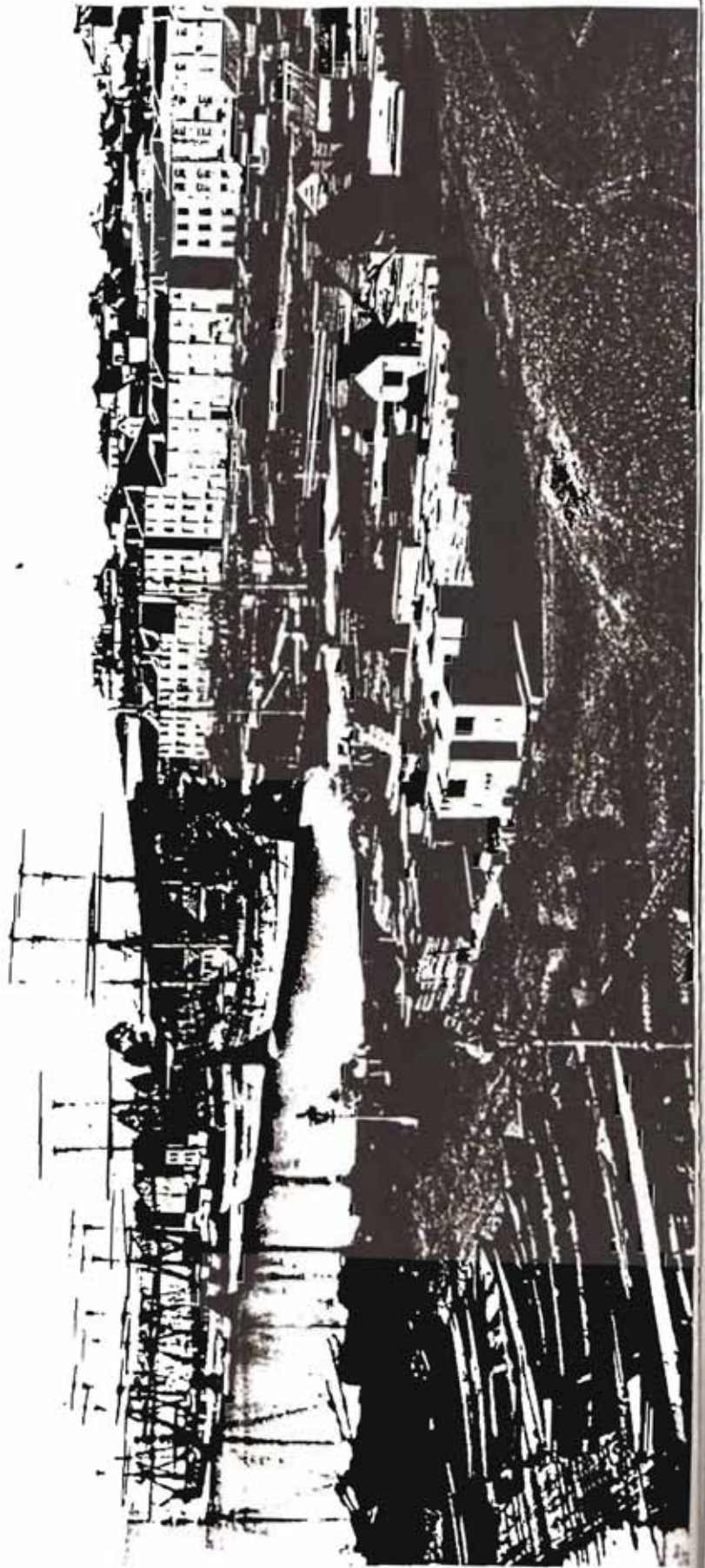
Thelma was baptized at St. John the Baptist Church of England, Hobart, on 27 June 1903. She died at the age of six months.

The following death notice was in the Tasmanian Mail:

*"HANSCH - On December 25 at her parent's residence, 15 Molle Street, Thelma Daphne, second daughter of Alfred and Elsie Hansch, aged 6 months."*

##### W8C Isabell May

Isabell was baptized at St. John's the Baptist Church of England, Hobart, on 18 October 1904. She married John Joseph Rogers.



Place, Hobart 1870s (Alfred loved boats)

- Photo courtesy Beattie Studios, Hobart

*The Hansch Girls.*



*Elsie Louisa Myrtle*



*Isabell May*



*Violet Doreen*



*Lola Alice*

The following death notice was in the Mercury:

*"ROGERS – On April 7, 1934, at her residence, 107 Albert Rd., Moonah, Isabel May, dearly loved wife of John Joseph Rogers and loved and loving second eldest daughter of Alfred and Elsie Hansford, 22 Napoleonic Street, Battery Point, aged 29 years."*

W8D Beatrice Irene

Beatrice was baptized at St. John the Baptist Church of England, Hobart, on 7 February 1906.

W8E Violet Doreen

Violet was baptized at St. John's the Baptist Church of England, Hobart, on 12 February 1909. She married Cyril Howard Brewster. They had no children.

Violet died on 8 May 1938, and the following death notice was in the Mercury:

*"BREWSTER – On May 8 1938, at Hobart, Violet Doreen, dearly loved wife of Cyril Howard Brewster of Queenstown, aged 29 years."*

W8F Kenneth Alfred George

Kenneth died as a child. He was one year old.

W8G Lola Alice

Lola has been married three times. 1. C.H.H. Brewster. 2. Herbert Brewer. 3. Wilf. Bennett

Lola's son, Anthony Charles Harvey-Brewster, was born on 1 March 1935. He has been married twice and had two children by his first marriage, Scott and Janet and one, Jamie, by his second.

W8H Ruby Evelyn

Ruby married Jack Smith and they had four children:

Stephen  
Garry  
Marjorie  
Carol

The following death notice was in the Mercury:

*"SMITH Ruby Eveline – Passed away suddenly on August 11, 1984, at Queenstown, loved and loving wife of Jack, loved mother and mother-in-law of Stephen and Denise, Garry and Denise, Marjorie and Patrick, Carol and Alfred. Funeral notice in Tuesday's Mercury."*



*Ruby Evelyn*

W8I Olive

Nothing is known about the life of Olive, although it is thought she died as a child.

## A SECOND CHANCE

### CHAPTER 14

## THE CHILDREN OF SARAH SWANN (STREET)

h and George Swann had eleven children, but at this moment very little is known about them, t from their names.

ever the following family members were baptized at St. John's Church of England, Town:

William Richard	2 November 1856
Martha Matilda	22 August 1858
Peggy Clara	14 December 1862

g girls were born on 17 June 1860. One was named Alice Amelia and the other Sarah Ann. e died on 3 September 1860 of convulsions.

### SARAH ANN SWANN

h married Caleb Henry Elley on 25 October 1880, at the Victoria St. Congregationalists, art. Witnesses were:

William Ross  
Clara Totham  
Clara Swann  
Martha Swann

*This Sarah Ann Swan had different parents, John Swan and Amelia Knight, and was born in Westbury.*

b was born on 25 October 1859. He was a Butcher and Wood Merchant. Sarah and Caleb ed to NSW to live in 1882.

b died on 19 September 1924 and Sarah on 2 May 1943. Both died of heart conditions and in a mental hospital at the time of their deaths. They were buried at the Church of England etery at Rookwood, NSW.

n and Caleb had the following children:

S3A	Gertrude Annie	2 September 1881	Died 29 September 1881
S3B	William Henry	4 February 1883	
S3C	Thomas Albert	11 May 1885	
S3D	Caleb George	2 July 1887	
S3E	Charles Robert	8 May 1889	
S3F	Sidney John	23 June 1891	Died 11 July 1969
S3G	Eileen Eva	30 September 1893	Died 15 December 1896
S3H	Walter Ernest	6 September 1896	
S3I	Sarah A	1905	

### IMENTS ON SARAH & CALEB'S CHILDREN

S3E, S3G-S3I Nothing is known.

#### Sidney John

ey married three times. The name of his first wife is not known. However they had a hter, Iris, who was born on 26 May 1914. His second wife was Alice Ivy May Ferguson, n he married on 28 February 1917 at St. Peter's Church of England Sydney. Tragically their sons were stillborn. A son John Ronald was born on 15 March 1921. Alice died on 23 October He then married Ellen/Helen Heaps. There were no children by this marriage.



Sidney was a Wood Merchant, Carter, and Tram Driver.

He died at the Kogarah Hospital, Leichardt in NSW, and was cremated.

**(4) ALICE AMELIA SWANN**

The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"On 3rd September [1860], ALICE AMELIA, twin daughter of Mr. G. Swan Cromwell-S  
Hobart Town."*

**(8) GEORGE GOULDING ERNEST SWANN**

The Mercury had this death notice:

*"SWANN – On 6th June [1872], at the residence of his parents, Rear Admiral Hornby's Hotel,  
Wharf, George Goulding Ernest, age 13 weeks."*



## A SECOND CHANCE

### CHAPTER 15

## THE CHILDREN OF MARTHA TOTHAM (STREET)

### GEORGE IRWIN TOTHAM

No birth certificate has been located for George Totham. I am indebted to Ian Totham for informing me about George's date of birth. He was baptized at St. John's New Town on 4 December 1862 with his cousin, Peggy Clara Swann.

George married Margaret Gertrude McDonald on 16 November 1887 at St. Georges Church of England, Hobart. Witnesses were:

Annie McDonald  
Henry York

Margaret was born on 2 October 1862.

George and Margaret had the following children:

MH1A	George Eric	11 September 1889	Died 21 July 1970
MH1B	Samuel Royden	4 June 1891	Died 14 July 1951

George and Margaret lived at 28 Harrington St., Hobart.

George was a carpenter. He died on 14 July 1891 of "typhoid fever", at the age of 28. He left no will. The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"TOTHAM – On Friday, July 17, 1891 of typhoid fever George Irwin, son of the late Samuel Totham, in the 29th year of his age, leaving a sorrowing wife and two children to mourn their loss. Funeral will leave his mother's residence, 36 Colville Street, Battery Point on Sunday afternoon at half past 2. Deeply regretted by a large circle of friends."*

Margaret died on 26 December 1928, aged 66, and is buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery. The Mercury had this death notice:

*"TOTHAM – On December 26 1928 (suddenly), at No 28 Harrington St., Margaret Gertrude, relict of the late George Irwin Totham, in the 67th year of her age. Requiescat in peace. Funeral private. No flowers, by request."*

In her will, she leaves nothing to her children.

The will reads:

*"Albert Harold McDonald, nephew of Hobart, salesman, half of all monies. (He also gets monies from the sale value of shares sold, in order to start a business). Three sisters and a brother share in the remainder of the property, viz:*

*Mary ?*

*Annie Briant*

*Amanda Farr*

*James J. McDonald – Storekeeper, Moonah*

*St. Joseph's Church, Hobart, were given ten pounds, to say masses for my parents and myself."*

### COMMENTS ON GEORGE AND MARGARET'S CHILDREN

#### MH1A George Eric

George married Ella Jessie Hamilton on 21 September 1918 at Holy Trinity Church, Port Melbourne. The following notice was in the Mercury:

*"TOTHAM (TOTHAM – HAMILTON) – On September 21, 1918, at Holy Trinity Church, Port Melbourne, Victoria, by the Rev. W. McKie, George Eric, elder son of the late George Irwin Totham and Mrs Totham of Hobart, to Ella Jessie, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Chas. Hamilton of Moonah."*

They had two children, Lindsay and Margaret. George died on 19 July 1970, and the Mercury had the following death notice:-

*"TOTHAM – Suddenly on July 19 1970, at his residence 17 Cromwell Street, Battery Point, George Eric, beloved husband of Ella Jessie Totham and loved father of Lindsay (Yolla) and Margaret (Mrs. R. T. Bell, Hobart)."*

Ella died on 5 July 1981, and this death notice was in the Mercury:

*"TOTHAM Ella Jessie – On July 5 1981, at a private rest home Hobart, loved wife of the late George Eric Totham, loved mother of Lindsay (Ulverstone) and Margaret (Mrs. R. T. Bell, Hobart). Peacefully at rest. Private cremation service. No condolences by request."*

#### MH1B Samuel Royden

Samuel married Marie Blanche Bull. They had no children. He died on 12 July 1951. The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"TOTHAM – On July 12 1951 at a private hospital, Hobart, Samuel Royden, dearly loved and loving and devoted husband of Marie Blanche Totham of 16 Harbroes Ave. New Town and loving uncle of Dorene. Late corporal 40th Battalion 1st A.I.F. Thy will be done."*

#### (2) CLARA JEMIMA TOTHAM

Clara married George Lionel Swift, in Congregational rites, on 19 December 1884. Witnesses were:

Martha Totham  
Robert Clark

George was born on 3 July 1864. Clara and George had the following children:

MH2A George Lionel 16 February 1885  
MH2B Leslie Thomas 16 August 1886 Died 9 August 1887

Clara died on 21 April 1888 of phthisis and the following death notice was in the Mercury:

*"SWIFT – On April 21 [1888], at her mother's residence, Colville Street, Battery Point, Clara Jemima, the beloved wife of George Swift, and daughter of the late Samuel Totham, after a long and painful illness, in her 24th year."*

After her death George married again. His new wife was Annie Maria Gallagher. They moved to New Zealand in 1901.

George died on 24 June 1947, and is buried at Anderson's Bay Cemetery near Dunedin, New Zealand.

#### COMMENTS ON CLARA AND GEORGE'S CHILDREN

##### MH2A George Lionel

George married Caroline and they had four children, Lionel, Daphne, James and Eric.

##### MH2B Leslie Thomas

Leslie died a week short of his first birthday of an abscess and necrosis of the bone. The following death notice was in the Mercury:

*"SWIFT – On August 9 [1887], Leslie Thomas, infant son of George and Clara Swift, aged 12 months."*

#### (3) CHARLES PERCIVAL TOTHAM

Charles, a bootmaker, married Florence Elizabeth Pawley on 4 October 1890, at 215 George St. Fitzroy, in Baptist Church rites. Witnesses were Ernest Alfred Pawley and Catherine Mary Getlea Luney.

Florence died on 12 June 1938, of "canceroma of the breast and malignant cachexia" and is buried at the Heidelberg Cemetery, with her husband Charles, who died on 14 Jan 1942.



George Lionel Swift Jnr, 1906.

#### WALTER ERNEST TOTHAM

Walter was a compositor and he married Mary Theresa Nolan at St. Georges Church of England, Hobart, on 11 February 1893. Witnesses were:

John Nolan  
Francis Totham

Mary was a tailoress. She was born on 11 July 1868 and known to the family as "Aunt Minnie".

Walter and Mary had the following children:

MH4A	Leslie Walter	22 November 1893	Died 8 February 1947
MH4B	Reginald Ernest	3 July 1895	Died 2 April 1968
MH4C	Amy Phyllis	19 February 1901	
MH4D	Nancy Minnie	6 June 1908	

Walter and Mary lived at 2 Brown St. Hobart.

Walter died on the 15 December 1946. He was cremated at Cornelian Bay Cemetery. The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"TOTHAM - On December 15 1946, at his residence 2 Brown Street, West Hobart, Walter Ernest, the dearly beloved husband of Mary Totham, and loving father of Leo, Reg, Amy (Mrs. S. J. Webber) and Nancy (Mrs. R. G. Shone) aged 77 years."*

In his will he left everything to his wife. It is interesting to note that his will was dated April 1899 and remained unaltered for 46 years.

Mary died in Melbourne on 24 July 1956.

## COMMENTS ON WALTER AND MARY'S CHILDREN

### MH4A Leslie Walter

Leslie was baptized at St. George's Church of England, Hobart, on 14 January 1894.

He was a council worker and a storeman. Leslie married Isabel (Belle) Bentley (born 8 November 1894) at St. David's Church of England, Hobart, on 12 August 1925, and had two children, Patti and Nola.

He died on 8 February 1947, and the Mercury had these death notices:

*"TOTHAM (Leslie Walter) – Passed peacefully away on Saturday, February 8 1947 at the Repatriation Hospital, Hobart, beloved husband of Belle and loving father of Patti and Noala, of 79 Arthur St., West Hobart, in his 54th year. (Late Cpl. 12th Batt. 1st AIF). His duty well done."*

*"TOTHAM (Leslie Walter). Passed peacefully away at the Repatriation Hospital, on Saturday, February 8 1947, beloved eldest son of Mrs. Mary T. Totham and the late Walter Ernest Totham, and loving brother of Reg. Amy (Mrs. G. Webber of Bentleigh, Victoria) and Nancy (Mrs. R. E. Shone, Sandy Bay) in the 54th year of his age. Thy will be done."*

### MH4B Reginald Ernest

Reginald married Gwendoline Edeline Grice at Holy Trinity Church of England, Hobart, on 11 May 1929.

They had two children Sybil and Kenneth (Keith) Charles. Kenneth died at the age of 5 1/2 months on 3 November 1931.

Reginald died on 2 April 1968, and the Mercury bore the following death notice.

*"TOTHAM – On April 2 1968, at his residence, 80 Arthur Street, West Hobart, Reginald Ernest, dearly loved father of Sybil (Mrs Guyatt, Sydney) and father-in-law of David. Late 1st A.I.F. (Gallipoli)."*

### MH4C Amy Phyllis

Amy was baptized at St. George's Church of England, Hobart, on 19 May 1901.

She married John Gerald Webber on 27 November 1926 at Holy Trinity Church, Hobart. The following notice was in the Mercury:

*"TOTHAM (WEBBER – TOTHAM) – On November 27, 1926, at Holy Trinity Church, by the Rev. Canon Blackwood, John Gerald, second son of Mr & Mrs H.T. Webber, Launceston, to Amy Phyllis, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs W.E. Totham, Hobart. Present address: 62 View St, Sandy Bay."*

They had two children, Betty and Fay.

### MH4D Nancy Minnie

Nancy was baptized at St. George's Church of England, Hobart, on 9 August 1908.

She married Royden Edward George Shone at Holy Trinity Church of England, Hobart, on 23 June 1928.

### **(5) ALFRED RICHARD TOTHAM**

Alfred died on 2 June 1871 and was buried at St. Georges, Battery Point. He was only six months old. Cause of death was "imperfect development and marasmus".

The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"TOTHAM – On June 2nd [1871] at Hampden Road, Alfred Richard, son of Samuel Totham, aged six months."*

### **(6) ANN ADA TOTHAM**

Ann married William John Flintham Andrews on 9 April 1903 at St. George's Church of England, Hobart. He had been the husband of Isabella Street, and had two daughters by her. Isabella died in 1893.

Ann and William had four children:

MH6A	Keith Flintham	1904	Died 7 June 1967
MH6B	Roland John Blackwell	1907	Died 23 December 1989
MH6C	Dorothy	1 June 1909	
MH6D	Max	1911	Died 14 October 1979

William died on 18 February 1914 and the Mercury, dated 19 February 1914, had the following death notice:

*"ANDREWS – On September 18 1914 William John Flintham, second son of John and P.R. Andrews, Lefroy Street, in his 51st year."*

Ann died on 4 January 1935 and is buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery. The grave says:

*"In loving memory of Anne Ada, devoted wife  
of the late W.J.F. Andrews.  
Died 4th. Jan. 1935. Aged 62 years."*

Also

*Keith Flintham  
Beloved eldest son of the above.  
Died 7th. June 1967. Aged 63 years.  
He giveth his beloved sleep."*

The Mercury of 5 January 1935, had the following death notice:

*"ANDREWS – On January 4, 1935, at Hobart, Annie Ada, wife of the late William John Flintham Andrews of Hobart and beloved mother of Keith Flintham (of Canberra), Roland, Dorothy and Max, aged 62 years."*

#### COMMENTS ON ANN AND WILLIAM'S CHILDREN

##### H6A Keith Flintham

Keith died on 7 June 1967. The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"ANDREWS – On June 7 1967, suddenly at Hobart, Keith Flintham, beloved eldest son of the late Annie Ada and William John Flintham Andrews and loved brother of Hazel and Grace (dec), Roland, Dorothy and Max. Funeral notice later."*

##### H6B Roland John Blackwell

Roland died on 23 December 1989, and the Mercury said:

*"ANDREWS Roland John Blackwell – suddenly at his residence on 23 December 1989, beloved husband of the late Sheila Margaret, loving father of Kevin, Patricia, Jennifer and John, father-in-law of Yvonne, Merwyn and Max, loving grandfather of Gerard, Nigel, Simon and Georgina and great grandfather of Chloe. Late 2/9 AA Rect. Corps. Rest in peace. Funeral notice later."*

##### H6C Dorothy

The following birth notice was in the Mercury:

*"ANDREWS – On June 1, 1909, at New Town, the wife of W.J.F. Andrews: a daughter."*

##### H6D Max

Max married Freida Beryl Longman at St. David's Church of England, Hobart, on 28 December 1933. They had two children, Rodney and Gerald.

Max died on 14 October 1979. The Mercury carried the following death notice:

*"ANDREWS Max – Passed away on October 14 1979, at R.H.H., loved and loving husband of the late Freida, loved and loving father of Rodney and Gerald, father-in-law of Bev and Winsome and Pop of Stuart and Lynley, Christine and Tanya. Private cremation Tuesday (This day). No cards or floral tributes by request. In lieu of flowers donations may be sent to Cancer Fund c.o. Peter MacCallum clinic. Thanks to doctors and nursing staff. A memorial service for the life of Mr. Max Andrews will be held at St. Davids Cathedral on Wednesday, commencing at 11 a.m."*

Freida died on 17 March 1962. The Mercury had this notice:

*"ANDREWS – On March 17, 1962, at Royal Hobart Hospital, after a long illness, Freida Beryl, dearly beloved wife of Max, loved mother of Rodney and Gerald, loved mother-in-law of Bev and Winsome, loved Nanna of Stuart and Christine, loved eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs H.E. Longman and loved sister of Muriel (Mrs G.L. Jacobson), Gordon (deceased) and Edlene (Mrs W. Davey) in her 50th year."*

**(7) FRANCIS BENJAMIN TOTHAM**

Nothing is known.

**(8) JAMES HERBERT TOTHAM**

James married Ethel May Easter (born 28 August 1875) at St. George's Church of England, Hobart, on 31 December 1904. They had the following children:

MH8A	Nellie May	28 December 1905
MH8B	Edith Irene	17 April 1907
MH8C	Kathleen Martha	19 March 1909
MH8D	Douglas James	21 July 1911
MH8E	Stanley Charles	27 January 1914

James and Ethel lived at 41 Kelly St. Battery Point. Martha (nee Street) lived with them until her death in 1913.

James died on 20 September 1947, at the age of 70. He was cremated. His will makes interesting reading.

- "(i) My armchair watch and chain gold sleeve links one of my two blue and gold china vases and the gold medal ..... presented to me by the Typographical Society to my son Douglas James Totham absolutely AND I DESIRE my said son on his death to bequeath the said arm chair and blue and gold china vase to his eldest living son .... it being my wish that the same shall remain the property of my descendants.*
- (ii) My gold ring gold tie pin the remaining one of my two blue and gold china vases and my lodge regalia and lodge gold medal to my son the said Stanley Charles Totham – absolutely.*
- (iii) My clothing and wearing apparel and the residue .... of my jewellery and personal effects my motor car and all .... tools and accessories used in connection therewith to my wife Ethel May Totham absolutely."*

All the family were to share equally in the remainder of the estate.

The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"TOTHAM – On September 20 1947, at his residence, 41 Kelly Street, Battery Point, James Herbert, dearly beloved husband of Ethel May Totham, and loved father of Nellie, Edith, Kathleen, Douglas and Stanley, in the 71st year of his age."*

Ethel died on 29 November 1965, and this death notice was in the Mercury:

*"TOTHAM – On November 29 1965 at a private rest home, Hobart, Ethel May Totham of 41 Kelly Street Battery Pt., beloved wife of the late James H. Totham and loving mother of Nellie (Mrs A. Kile, Melbourne), Edith (Mrs. Benbow, deceased), Kathleen (Mrs. S. Hornsby), Douglas and Stanley, in her 91st year."*

**COMMENTS ON JAMES AND ETHEL'S CHILDREN**

**MH8A Nellie May**

The following birth notice was in the Mercury:

*"TOTHAM – On December 28, 1905, at No. 1 Kelly St, Battery Point, Hobart, the wife of James H. Totham: a daughter."*

Nellie was baptized at St. George's Church of England, Hobart, on 11 February 1906.

She married Alan Kile at St. George's Church of England, Hobart, on 2 June 1928.

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18B Edith Irene

She was baptized at St. George's Church of England, Hobart, on 9 June 1907.

She married Richard James Benbow.

She died on 1 May 1961 and the following notice was in the Mercury:

*"BENBOW – On May 1 1961 at Royal Hobart Hospital, Edith Irene, beloved wife of Richard James Benbow of Lonnvale, Huon, loved daughter of Ethel May and the late James Herbert Totham of 41 Kelly St, Battery Point and loving sister of Nellie (Mrs A. Kile), Kathleen (Mrs S. Hornsby), Douglas and Stanley."*

18C Kathleen Martha

She was baptized at St. George's Church of England, Hobart, on 10 April 1909.

She married Sydney Raymond Hornsby at the Wesleyan Manse, Hobart, on 21 July 1928.

18D Douglas James

He was baptized at St. George's Church of England, Hobart, on 10 September 1911.

18E Stanley Charles

He was baptized at St. George's Church of England, Hobart, on 1 March 1914. He married Audrey in 1940.



## A SECOND CHANCE

### CHAPTER 16

## THE CHILDREN OF MARY STREET (ROSS)

#### (1) MARY ANNIE ROSS

Mary was a dressmaker. She married Albert Frederick Livingston, a draper, on 11 October 1861 at her parent's home, 156 Elizabeth St. Hobart, in Church of Christ rites. Witnesses were:

Margaret Bradley  
Henry Charles Livingston

*Albert was born on 25 August 1861, and died on 22 February 1937.*

*Mary and Albert had the following children:*

Dorothy Jean	31 July 1893
Charles	16 December 1896
Douglas Albert	19 February 1898

#### (2) MARGARET ROSS

Margaret married William Ernest Mays on 20 March 1895, at her parent's home, 156 Elizabeth St. Hobart, in Church of Christ rites. Witnesses were:

Herbert Elliott  
Annie Totham (Ann Ada)

William was born on 10 April 1870.

Margaret and William had the following children:

MA2A	Athlea Maud	1 March 1896	Died 27 August 1937
MA2B	Reginald James	23 October 1899	Died 7 April 1973
MA2C	Marjorie Amabel	28 March 1901	Died 22 September 1989

Margaret died on 5 December 1956, at the age of 85, and is buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"MAYS - On December 5 1956, at her residence, 12 Waterworks Road, Dynnyrne, Margaret, beloved wife of the late William E. Mays and loving mother of Athlea, Reg, and Marjorie, aged 85 years. Forever with the Lord. Funeral private. This day."*

Her grave says:

*"Peace perfect peace."*

William died on 23 June 1945, aged 75, and is buried with Margaret. The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"MAYS - On June 23 1945, at his residence, 12 Waterworks Rd., Sandy Bay, William Ernest, dearly beloved husband of Margaret Mays and loved and loving father of Athlea, Marjorie and Reg, aged 75 years, funeral private."*

His grave says:

*"God gave me the gift of loving  
He will give me again my beloved."*

William's will, signed on 15 October 1941, states:

*"Margaret Mays is given furniture personal effects, money and the family home at Waterworks Rd. Hobart. Athlea Maud Mays is to receive the home after Margaret's death. The remainder of the estate is to divided between the three children."*

## COMMENTS ON MARGARET AND WILLIAM'S CHILDREN

### MA2A Athlea Maud

The following death notice was in the Mercury:

*"MAYS, Athlea Maude – On August 27, 1987, passed away at a private nursing home, loved daughter of the late William and Margaret Mays, loving sister of Reginald and Marjorie (dec.) and Daphne, much loved aunt of Dorothy (Mrs Kelly), Elaine (Mrs Adrych) and Eileen, and loved great great aunt of all her nephews and nieces. A gentle, loving, sharing, giving and caring lady at rest. In God's care."*

*("Also – great great aunt of Michelle and Anthony. We will always remember your loving kindness. Now in God's care.")*

She is buried at the Kingston Lawn Cemetery.

### MA2B Reginald James

Reginald married Daphne Eugene Moore at the Melville St Methodist Church on 21 January 1925. The following notice was in the Mercury:

*"MAYS (MOORE – MAYS), At the Wesley Methodist Church, Melville St, by the Rev. B.L. Semmens, on January 21, 1925, Daphne Eugene, the second eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs H. Moore, Twerton, Sandy Bay, to Reginald James, the only son of Mr & Mrs W.E. Mays, Fairview, Waterworks Rd."*

They had one child, Elaine. Reginald was an ironmonger.

The following death notice appeared in the Mercury:

*"MAYS Reginald James (Reg) – Suddenly on April 7 1973, dearly beloved husband of Daphne of 58 Beach Street Bellerive, loving father of Elaine (Mrs. W. Adrych) father-in-law of Wally, beloved Pa Pa of Krystina (Mrs. Bone), Wayne, Jeanette and Tanya and loving Great Pa Pa of Anthony and Michelle."*

His grave at Cornelian Bay Cemetery says:

*"In loving memory of Reginald James Mays (Reg.) loved husband of Daphne loving father of Elaine. Died 7th. April 1973. Aged 73."*

### MA2C Marjorie Amabel

Marjorie married Richard Arthur Stevens on 1 July 1922. The following notice was in the Mercury:

*"MAYS (STEVENS – MAYS), On July 1st, at the residence of the bride's parents, Fairview, Waterworks-road, by the Rev. Corby Butler, Richard Arthur, eldest son of Mrs and the late John Stevens of the Cascades to Marjorie Amabel, youngest daughter of Mr & Mrs W.E. Mays."*

They had two children, Dorothy and Eileen and lived at 6 Hamel St. Moonah. Richard died on 17 April 1980 and was buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

The following death notice appeared in the Mercury:

*"STEVENS Richard Arthur – Passed away on April 17 1980 at the Repatriation Hospital, Hobart, aged 87 years, loved husband of Marjorie, loved and loving father of Dorothy (Mrs Kelly) and Eileen, loved Grandpa of Gary, Bill, Marlina (Mrs. Neil), Sharon (Mrs Davis) and Leonie (Mrs Perrin) and loved Grandpa of all his great grandchildren. A patient sufferer at rest. May he rest in peace. Late 1st A.I.F. Private funeral, no condolences by request."*

Marjorie died on 22 September 1989, and was buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

### (3) ALICE MAUD ROSS

Nothing known.

### (4) HENRIETTA LOUISA ROSS

Nothing known.

### (5) FLORENCE WILHELMINA ROSS

Florence married Hedley Todd, a chemist, on 27 July 1910, at the Hobart Registry Office. Witness were:

M.A. Livingston  
B.H. Dixon

# A SECOND CHANCE

## CHAPTER 17

### THE CHILDREN OF RICHARD

#### (1) ANNIE AMELIA STREET

Annie was baptized at St. John's New Town on 24 Jan. 1869. She married Samuel Goscombe on 9 January 1892, in the residence of the minister of the King St. Church Hobart, (J.H. Palfreyman). Witnesses were:

N.L. Palfreyman  
Amy Palfreyman

Samuel Goscombe was born on 20 January 1864. He was a coachman.

Annie and Samuel had the following children:

R1A	Alfred Norman William	9 April 1892	Died 7 December 1892
R1B	Samuel Clyde	25 March 1894	Died 9 November 1967
R1C	William George	30 March 1896	
R1D	Clarence Roy	1904	Died 26 March 1978

Samuel died on 3 August 1944, and the Mercury had the following death notice:

*"GOSCOMB - On August 3 1944, at his residence 3 Hope Street New Town, Samuel, beloved husband of Annie Amelia and loving father of Clyde, William and Roy Goscomb."*

In his will, Samuel left all his estate to his wife. Executors appointed were:

Henry James Richard Hope, and  
Henry James Hope

Annie died on 7 January 1955 and this death notice was in the Mercury:

*"GOSCOMBE - On January 7 1955, at her residence, 7 Hope Street New Town, Annie Amelia, beloved wife of the late Samuel Goscombe, and loved and loving mother of Clyde, William and Roy, aged 86 years."*

#### COMMENTS ON ANNIE AND SAMUEL'S CHILDREN

##### R1A Alfred Norman William

The Mercury had this death notice:

*"GOSCOMB - On December 7 [1892] at 310 Murray St, Alfred Norman William, infant son of Samuel and Annie Goscomb, aged 8 months."*

##### R1B Samuel Clyde

The following death notice was in the Mercury:

*"GOSCOMB, Samuel Clyde. On November 9 1967, suddenly at Royal Hobart Hospital, beloved son of the late Samuel and Annie Goscomb, of 7 Hope Street, New Town and loving brother of William and Ray in his 75th year."*

##### R1D Clarence Roy

The Mercury had this death notice:

*"GOSCOMB Clarence Roy - On March 27, 1978, at Hobart, dearly beloved son of the late Annie Amelia and Samuel Goscomb and loving brother of Samuel (dec) aged 74 years."*

*"also - respected friend of the TANFL Umpires Association. Sadly missed always remembered."*

## (2) SAMUEL EDMON (EDMUND) STREET

Samuel was baptized at St. John's New Town on 19 March 1871. An "Edmund Street" died on the 8 October 1876. His death certificate states that he was a gardener's child, five years old, and that he died of "scarlet fever and diphtheria".

The Mercury said:

*"STREET – On Sunday, 8th October, at his father's residence, Camp Hill Cottage, Augusta Road, New Town. Samuel Edmund, eldest son of Mr Richard Street, after a short illness, aged 5 years and 9 months. Friends are respectfully invited to attend his funeral which will move from his father's residence this day (Tuesday) at a quarter past two o'clock."*

## (3) WILLIAM STREET

William was baptized at St. John's New Town on 16 Feb. 1873. He married Louisa Jane Lyall on 28 April 1897, by licence in Congregationalist rites. Witnesses were:

Alfred Lyall  
Richard Street

William was a gardener.

Louisa was born on 9 September 1874.

William and Louisa had the following children:

R3A Kathleen Lyall 31 March 1898 Died 7 August 1953  
R3B Winifred

Louisa died on the 30 August 1952.

The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"On 30 August 1952 at her residence 51 Risdon Rd. New Town, Louisa Jane, dearly beloved wife of William Street and loving mother of Katherine and Winifred. In her 78th. year."*

William died on 2 April 1955, and the following death notice was in the Mercury:

*"STREET – On April 2 1955, at his residence, 51 Risdon Rd. New Town, William, beloved husband of the late Louisa Jane Street, and loving father of Kathleen Chambers (deceased) and Winifred (Mrs V. Oxenford), in his 83rd year."*

## COMMENTS ON WILLIAM AND LOUISA'S CHILDREN

### R3A Kathleen Lyall

Kathleen married John Arthur Chambers and they had no children. For about 20 years they were residents of NSW.

Kathleen died suddenly of a cerebral haemorrhage whilst in Melbourne and was cremated at the Springvale Crematorium.

The following death notice was in the Mercury:

*"CHAMBERS, Suddenly on August 7 1953, at a Melbourne hospital, Kathleen Lyall, beloved wife of John Arthur Chambers, Commonwealth Bank, Cremorne NSW, elder daughter of William and the late Louisa Jane Street, 51 Risdon Rd, New Town, Tasmania, and devoted sister of Winifred (Mrs Oxenford) of 51 Risdon Rd, New Town. Private cremation, Melbourne, Tuesday August 11."*

## (4) RICHARD STREET

Richard was baptized at St. John's New Town on 7 Feb. 1875. He did not get married.

Margaret Chick told me that Dick (Richard), Frank (Francis), and Peter (Samuel Percival ?) ran the family orchard for many years.

Richard died on the 2 December 1947, aged 71. He is buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery. This death notice was in the Mercury:

*"STREET – On December 2 1947, at Hobart, Richard (Dick) beloved son of the late Richard and Lydia Street, of 55 Risdon Rd. New Town, aged 72 years."*

(5) FRANCIS STREET

Francis was baptized at St. John's New Town on 13 Dec. 1876. He did not get married, died on 2 August 1960, and was buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery. The following death notice appeared in the Mercury:

*"STREET - On August 2 1960, at Royal Hobart Hospital, Frank, loving son of the late Richard and Lydia Street of Risdon Road and loved brother of William, Richard, Charles, Percival, Montagu, Tasman, Ann (Mrs. Goscombe), Lily (Mrs. Gordon), Jessie (Mrs. Hope), (all deceased) and Winifred (Mrs. W. Pacey) 69 Pedder Street, New Town, aged 83 years."*

(6) SAMUEL PERCIVAL STREET

Samuel was baptized at St. John's New Town on 18 Dec. 1878. He did not get married, and died on 23 May 1950, aged 71. The following death notice appeared in the Mercury:

*"STREET - On May 23 1950, at Hobart, Samuel Percival, beloved son of the late Richard and Lydia Street of 55 Risdon Road, New Town, aged 71 years."*

Samuel is buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

(7) CHARLES ERNEST STREET

Charles was baptized at St. John's New Town on 4 Jan. 1880. He died on 13 April 1913, at the age of 33, in the Hobart General Hospital, and is buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

An Inquisition, dated 14 and 18 April 1913, concluded that

*"Charles Ernest Street, aged 33 years, a gardener, died from injuries caused by accidentally falling from a coach and not otherwise."*

The Mercury said:

*"On 13 April 1913 (suddenly) Charles Ernest, 6th. beloved son of Richard & Lydia of Risdon Rd. New Town. Aged 33 years. Funeral 16th. April at Cornelian Bay."*

His grave says:

*"A sudden change at God's command he fell  
He had no time to bid his friends farewell  
The summons came without a warning given  
That bade him haste to meet his God in heaven."*

and below these words -

*"God be with you till we meet again."*

The Mercury, dated 15 April 1913, had the following to say about the inquest into the death of Charles Ernest Street:

"FALL FROM A COACH

THE INQUEST

*The inquest on the body of Charles Ernest Street who died on Saturday from injuries received in a fall from the Huon coach, was held at the City Police Court yesterday before the Coroner (Mr. W.D. Wise). Sub-Inspector Lonergan conducted the case for the police, and Mr. W.M. Hodgman (Ewing, Hodgman and Seager) appeared on behalf of the coach proprietors (Messrs Webster, Rometch and Duncan).*

*Leslie Turner, driver of the coach, stated that after leaving D'Arcy-Street, on the way to Hobart from Huonville on Saturday, one of the passengers told him to pull up, as a man had fallen off. Looking back, he saw Street lying on the road. He had been sitting on the seat behind the front box-seat with three others. Street had been taking liquor, and was under its influence at D'Arcy -Street.*

*Mr. Wise : Is it not a fact that you suggested he should get off, as he might meet a constable - Yes. He was not drunk when he first got on, but got worse after leaving the last hotel.*

*Mr. Wise : Don't you know your duty regarding intoxicated passengers - Yes.*

*Then, why didn't you put him off - As I said before, he was not drunk when he got on.*

To Sub-Inspector Lonergan : The deceased heard someone suggest that he should get inside the coach. He did not know that, only a fortnight ago, two men were thrown from the box while the coach was negotiating a hill on the road. One of the passengers on Saturday's coach held Street for some distance.

Deceased's father asked whether witness was aware that Street was drunk, and if so, why he did not order him off the coach.

Mr. Wise : That is no question for me to ask. I am not going to hold the driver responsible for this man's death.

Deceased's father : Why did he leave my son lying on the road for an hour and a half ?

Mr. Wise : That is not so. The driver made every effort to look after the injured man, and the time at which he was received at the hospital does not bear your statement out.

Dr. E.J. Roberts, senior house-surgeon at the General Hospital, deposed to making an examination of Street on Saturday afternoon. There was a fracture four inches long in the skull, and the main vein of the head was lacerated, causing extensive internal haemorrhage. Death took place 15 minutes after Street was admitted.

Charles Grabb, a passenger by the coach, from Franklin to Hobart, gave evidence as to taking charge of the deceased after the accident. Street was not left lying on the road, but was carried into a neighbouring house. The deceased was quite unconscious when witness picked him up. Questioned by Mr. Hodgman, witness said the deceased's conduct on the coach was not such as to cause a complaint from other passengers'

The inquest at this stage was adjourned until Friday, to enable further evidence to be called.

Deceased was 33 years of age, and was unmarried."



Stage Coach on the Huon Road

#### (8) LILY MAY STREET

Lily was baptized at St. John's New Town on 14 May 1882. She married Arthur Edward Gordon on 29 April 1903. Witnesses were:

W. Street  
Hannah Gordon

Lily died on 3 May 1922, and is buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery. The Mercury of 5 May 1922 says:

"GORDON - On May 3 1922 at private hospital Hobart, Lily May, dearly beloved wife of Arthur Edward Gordon, of 71 Wentworth Street and beloved second daughter of Richard and Lydia Street of Risdon Road, aged 40 years."

In her mother's will, Lily's children were left part of the estate. Their names were:

R8A Florence Winifred 13 Feb 1904  
R8B Clyde William 10 Sept 1905 Died 27 July 1983  
R8C Marjory Doreen

Arthur worked with the Hobart Tramways for 51 years and received fifty one pounds from the pension fund on his retirement. After Lily's death he married Florence.

He died on 24 August 1962 at the age of 85, and is buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery. The Mercury had this death notice:

*"GORDON - On August 24 1962 at his residence, 71 Wentworth Street, South Hobart, Arthur Edward (Art), loved husband of Florence and devoted father of Marjorie, in his 86th year. Late Hobart Municipal Tramway, 52 years."*

#### COMMENTS ON LILY AND ARTHUR'S CHILDREN

##### R8A Florence Winifred

Florence married John Gordon (no relation) and now lives in Sydney.

##### R8B Clyde William

Clyde married Myra Ellen Cruise on 21 August 1924, at Chalman House, Hobart, in Presbyterian rites. Clyde was 18 and Myra 16. They had three children -- Nancy, Lily and Mervyn.

The following death notice was in the Mercury:

*"GORDON, Clyde William(Sam) - Passed away peacefully at home 8 Congress Street, South Hobart, July 27, 1983, dearly loved and loving husband of Myra Helen [Ellen], loved and loving father of Nancy (Mrs R. Gillies, Howden), May (Mrs J. Barwick, Moonah) and Mervyn(Rosny), father-in-law of Ray, Jack and Norma, loved Pop of his eight grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. Loved son of Lily May and Arthur Gordon (both deceased), brother of Florence (Sydney) and Marjory. In his 78th year. Will be sadly missed."*

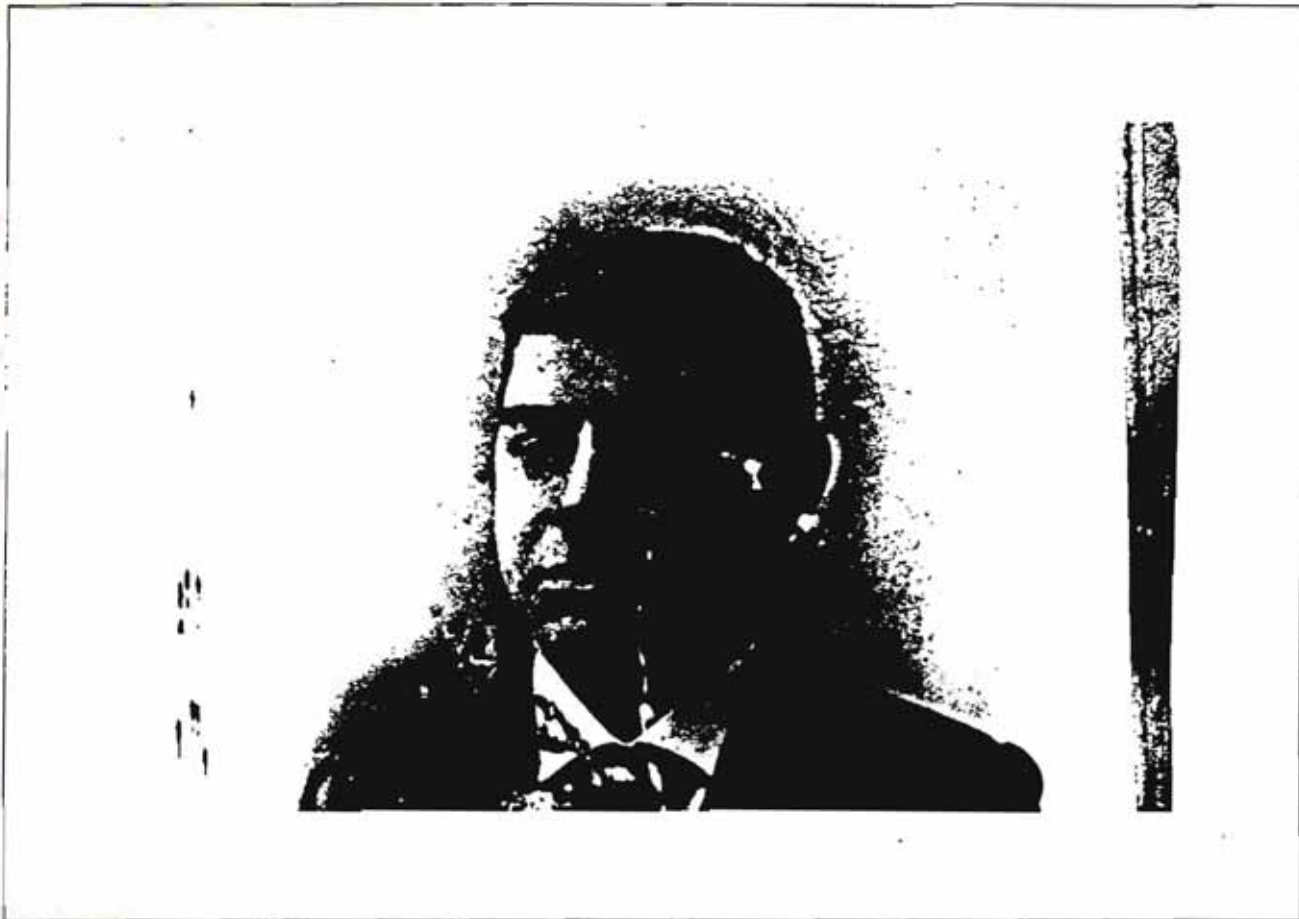
##### R8C Marjory Doreen

Never married. Still alive, living in Hobart (1991).



*Lily May Gordon (nee Street)*





*Arthur Edward Gordon*



*BACK Jessie Hope (Street), Winifred Pacey (Street), Florence Gordon,  
FRONT Clyde Gordon, Lily Gordon (Street)*

**VETERAN  
RETIRES**



The manager of the Hobart Municipal Tramways (Mr S. H. Hancox), foreground, leading cheers for the controller-mechanic (Mr A. Gordon), who retired yesterday after 53 years' service with the tramways.



Old tramway employees had many good stories to tell when they gathered at the Town Hall yesterday at the invitation of the Lord Mayor (Mr. Park) for a farewell party to the old municipal tramway system and a welcome drink to the new administration, of which Mr. Park is a member. And here the oldest tramway employe, Mr. R. T. Gordon, with 53 years of service (at right), animatedly recalls the days when the century was young for the benefit of the Lord Mayor (centre) and the manager and engineer in charge of tramways (Mr. Hancox). "Story, Page 13.

## (9) THOMAS ALFRED STREET

Thomas was baptized at St. John's New Town on 17 Oct. 1883. A "Thomas Street" died on 23 September 1886, at the age of 3, the son of a gardener. Cause of death was "bronchitis".

The death certificate shows that he died at Bedford St. New Town, the address of his uncle, Thomas.

However the death notice in the Mercury states:

*"STREET – On September 24, at his fathers residence, Augusta-road, Thomas, seventh son of Richard and Lydia Street, in the third year of his age. The funeral will leave his fathers residence on Sunday the 26th inst. at half-past three o'clock. Friends are respectfully invited to attend."*

## (10) JESSIE STREET

Jessie was baptized at New Town Methodist Church on 12 February 1885.

Margaret Chick, a descendant of Richard Street, told me that Jessie married Henry James Richard Hope (born 30 July 1889). They had five children:

R10A	Henry James (Harry)	} twins	1912
R10B	Kenneth Richard		
R10C	Charles Ernest		1914
R10D	Ronald (Nobby)		
R10E	Fay		

Although little is known about this branch, it is obvious that Jessie's husband was held in high regard by other members of the Richard Street family. He and his son, Henry James, were appointed executors of the wills of:

Samuel Goscomb (brother-in-law)  
Arthur Edward Gordon (brother-in-law)  
Lydia Letitia Street (mother-in-law)

Jessie died on 23 July 1946, and Henry Snr. died on 25 May 1939. Both are buried at Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

The following death notices were in the Mercury:

*"HOPE – On May 25 1939, at his residence, 17 Seymour Street New Town, Henry James Richard, in the 51st year of his age. Late of Tasmanian Government Railways."*

*"HOPE – On July 23, 1946, Jessie, beloved wife of the late Henry Hope of 17 Seymour Street, New Town, and loving mother of Kenneth, Harry, Charles and Fay (Mrs C.G. Riley). Aged 61 years."*

## COMMENTS ON JESSIE AND HENRY'S CHILDREN

### R10A & B

It is believed that the twins, Henry & Ken each married Victoria Beryl Khaler. The following death notice was in the Mercury:

*"HOPE Victoria Beryl – On March 11 1973, at Royal Hobart Hospital loving wife of Kenneth Richard Hope, of 1 Grandville Ave, Geilston Bay, and loved step-mother of Betty (Mrs L. Tucker), Maureen (Mrs J. Tucker), Pat (Mrs H. Faull), Kay, Vicki (Mrs P. Ransley) and Henry. Loved by all."*

The following death notices were in the Mercury for Kenneth Hope:-

*"HOPE, Kenneth Richard – On December 24, 1974, beloved son of the late Harry and Jessie Hope, and loved brother of Harry (dec.), Charles, Ronald (dec.) and Fay (Mrs C.G. Riley). Now at rest."*

*"HOPE Kenneth Richard – On December 24, 1974, at Royal Hobart Hospital, loving husband of the late Myra Hope and dearly loved father of Maureen, Pat, Kay, Vicki, Betty and Henry, aged 62 years."*

*"Also, loving father of Betty, father-in-law of Laurie, and loved grand father of Richard (dec), John and Christopher."*

*"Also, loving father of Vicki, father-in-law of Phillip and loved grand father of Samuel, Paige and Jane."*

*"Also, loving father of Pat, father-in-law of Hedley and loved grand father of Gregory."*

*"Also, loving father of Maureen, father-in-law of John and loved grand father of Georgina, Louise and Patricia."*

### R10C Charles Ernest

Charles married Lyndsay Madge Twitchett and they had two children, Nicholas and Glenys.

The following death notices were in the Mercury:

*"HOPE Lyndsay Madge - Passed away on February 12, 1975, dearly beloved wife of Charles Ernest Hope, loving mother of Nicholas (Washington, USA) and Glenys (Mrs E. Best, Victoria), mother-in-law of Ellen and Edward, and loving grandmother of Charles, Lyndon, Stephen, Rohan, and Melissa. No flowers or condolences by request. Private cremation."*

*"Also - youngest daughter of the late George and Emma Twitchett, and loving sister of Nell (Mrs A.C. O'Neal), Rene (Mrs J. Bean), Eve (Mrs C. Hill), and Snowe (Mrs J. Allan)."*

*"HOPE Charles Ernest - Suddenly on Monday August 29 1983, dearly loved husband of Lyndsay Madge (deceased), beloved father of Nicholas and Glenys (Mrs T. Best), loved and respected father-in-law of Ellen and Ted, and beloved Granddad of Charles, Stephen and Katharyn Hope, Lyndon, Rohan, Melissa and Martin Best. Private funeral."*

*"Also - son of the late Harry and Jessie Hope, brother of Harry, Ken, Ronald (all deceased) and Fay (Mrs Riley)."*

*"Also - dearly loved brother-in-law of Nell (Mrs O'Neal, Hobart), Eve Hill (Melbourne), Rene and Jack Bean (Brisbane), and Snow (Mrs Allan, Hobart)."*

*"Also - dearly loved uncle of Gulla and Barry Kelly, loved great-uncle of Katrina, Noelene and Anthony."*

Both Lyndsay and Charles were cremated at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

### **(11) LESLIE STREET**

Leslie was baptized at New Town Methodist on 30 October 1886.

He died, as a result of his premature birth, on the 2 November 1886. He was only ten days old. The following death notice appeared in the Mercury:

*"STREET - On November 2, [1886] at his father's residence, Bedford-Street Newtown, Leslie, youngest son of Richard and Lydia Street, aged 10 days."*

### **(12) MONTAGUE BERTRAM STREET**

Montague was registered as "Monty". He did not marry.

He was baptized at New Town Methodist on 22 April 1888.

Montague was killed in action with the 26th Battalion in the First World War, on the 5 August 1916, in France. No trace of his body was ever found. His name is included on the memorial at Villers Bretonneux, which lists those who died on the battlefield there.

His parents were forwarded a memorial plaque and a grave bears his name at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery. Samuel Percival and Richard are buried in it.

Montague's army records provide the following details:

Height:	5' 4 1/2"
Eyes:	Grey
Hair:	Fair
Marks:	Scar on left shin
Religion:	Church of England

### **(13) TASMAN STREET**

Tasman was baptized at New Town Methodist on 10 October 1890.

He was known as "Paddy", and worked with three zinc companies. According to his daughter, Margaret, Tasman was always happy.

He married Beatrice Anne Farley on 3 January 1914. They had the following children:

R13A	Gwendoline Ellen	19 March 1914	Died 13 January 1989
R13B	Amy Winifred	15 August 1915	Died 22 May 1982
R13C	Marie Lydia	29 October 1917	
R13D	Monica Joan	2 March 1920	
R13E	Patrick Montague Charles	1925	Died 19 February 1925
R13F	Patricia Leatrice	2 April 1927	
R13G	Margaret Joyce	20 June 1932	

Tasman died on 29 June 1951, and the following death notice was in the Mercury:

*"STREET - On June 29 1951, suddenly at his residence 113 Albert Road, East Moonah, Tasman (Paddy) dearly beloved husband of Beatrice Street and loving father of Gwen (Mrs. Reid), Monica (Mrs. Pacey), Patricia and Margaret, aged 62 years. Late of Electrolytic Zinc Co."*

Beatrice died on 27 April 1972. There were many death notices in the Mercury, here are some:

*"STREET - BEATRICE ANNE On April 27 1972, at Hobart, loving mother of Margaret, mother-in-law of John and wonderful nanna of Sue, Gaylee and Darren."*

*"STREET - mother and mother-in-law and nanna of Marie and John, Mareea and Stephen, Dianne and Ian, and Annette and Patrick and loving grandmother of Tracey."*

*"STREET - mother of Pat and nan of Sheree and Julie."*



*Lance Martin & Tasman Street about 1941.*



*Monica Pacey (nee Street), Beatrice Street (nee Farley) – 23 January 1943.*

#### COMMENTS ON TASMAN AND BEATRICE'S CHILDREN

##### R13A Gwendoline Ellen

Gwen married Charles Henry Reid in 1935. They had the five children:

Helen Marlene	31 August 1935
Judith Elaine	13 May 1940
Pamela Anne	6 January 1943
Paul Charles	23 July 1945
Peter Henry	6 January 1954

Gwen died on 13 January 1989.

There were many death notices in the Mercury. Here are two:

*"REID – Gwendoline Ellen – On January 13, 1989 at the Royal Hobart Hospital, beloved wife of the late Charles Henry Reid, and loved father of Helen (Mrs Stefanovic), Judy (Mrs Oliver), Pamela (Mrs Clarke), Paul (WA) and Peter (WA). May she rest in peace."*

*"Also beloved eldest daughter of the late Beatrice of Tasma St., loved sister of Amy (Mrs Martin dec.), Marie (Mrs Cooper), Monica (Mrs Pacey), Pat (Mrs Davis), Margaret (Mrs Chick) and loving aunty of all her nieces and nephews."*

##### R13B Amy Winifred

Amy married Lance Valdimere Martin on 30 July 1938. They had three children:

Garry Valdimere	10 December 1941
Carol Beatrice	18 January 1945
Leigh Douglas	25 July 1952

Amy died on 22 May 1982. The Mercury had this death notice:

"MARTIN – AMY WINIFRED Passed peacefully away on May 22, 1982, at her home, 5 Maroni Rd., Chigwell, loved and loving wife of Lance, loved mother of Garry, Carol (Mrs. Squires) and Leigh, loving mother-in-law of Mary, Barry and Pauline and loved nan of Michelle, Mathew, Brett and Andrew."

#### 13C Marie Lydia

Marie married John Corbett Cooper on 22 December 1949. They had four children:

Mareea Anne	8 July 1951
Diane Trixie	29 December 1952
Annette	15 October 1955
Patrick John	7 February 1958

#### 13D Monica Joan

Monica married Bernard Pacey on 23 January 1943. They had Anthony Tasman on 10 April 1947.

#### 13F Patricia Leatrice

Patricia married Ronald Henry Davis on 22 December 1951. They had two children:

Sheree L.	27 September 1953
Julie Margaret	24 February 1956

#### 13G Margaret Joyce

Margaret married John Thomas Chick on 11 February 1952. They had three children:

Sue Karen	5 January 1953
Gaylee Ann	17 September 1959
Darren	28 April 1962

#### 4) AMY STREET

Amy died on 18 November 1891 of "maramus and diarrhoea. She was only a month old. The Mercury on the 20 November 1891, had this death notice:

*"STREET – On Wednesday, November the 18th inst at her parents residence, Bedford Street New Town, Amy, youngest daughter of Richard and Lydia, aged 4 weeks and 5 days."*

#### 5) WINIFRED STREET

Margaret Chick advised me that Winifred married Albert Lessen Pacey. Albert was born on 8 September 1893 in Hobart.

They had the following children:

- Hector Montagu (Jack)
- Richard Edward
- Ronald
- Joan

Winifred died on 11 July 1978 and is buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery. The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"PACEY Winifred – Passed peacefully away on July 11 1978 at a private nursing home, loving wife of the late Albert Lessen Pacey, beloved mother of Joan (Mrs. Keenan), Hector (Jack), Richard and Ronald, mother-in-law of Clairrie, Marie (dec) and Fay and loving Nan of all her grand children and great grand children. Aged 85 years – Sadly missed."*

Her will, in part, says:

*"Piano is for Hector Montagu Pacey. My Sideboard, cutlery & orchard tea set to Joan Pacey. The wireless set to Ronald Pacey. Cabinet Gramophone to Richard Edward Pacey. Single children to live in the house until they are married, then it is to be sold & the money obtained to be divided equally between my four children."*

Albert died on 7 March 1941 and the following death notice was in the Mercury:

*"PACEY – On March 7 1941, Albert Lessen, dearly beloved husband of Winifred Pacey of 61 Pedder St. New Town and loved and loving father of Joan, Hector, Richard and Ronald (Late Sergeant 26th Battalion AIF) MSM aged 47 years. At rest."*

## A SECOND CHANCE

### CHAPTER 18

## CHILDREN OF HANNAH ROSS (STREET)

There were no children from this marriage.



## A SECOND CHANCE

### CHAPTER 19

## THE CHILDREN OF THOMAS

#### (1) MARIA STREET

Maria was baptized at St. John's New Town on 25 June 1874. She died of "convulsions" on 5 October 1882, being only 8 years old.

Maria was buried at the St. John's Cemetery New Town.

Her grave says:

*"Our child is now a child of bliss  
Why should we weep for joy like this."*

#### (2) MARY ANNIE STREET

Mary was baptized at St. John's New Town on 3 Sept. 1876. She married Fred Khaler. They lived in Dubbo, N.S.W., and had a daughter named Victoria Beryl.

It is believed that Victoria married both Henry & Ken Hope (twins) – further comments are given about her under Jessie Street (daughter of Richard Street – see Chapter 17). She died on 11 March 1973.

#### (3) FLORENCE LOUISA STREET

Florence was baptized at St. John's New Town on 6 Nov. 1879. She married John Samuel M... on 4 March 1908 at Wesley Church Melbourne. The following notice was in the Mercury:



*"STREET (MORLEY – STREET) – On March 4, 1908, at Wesley Church, Melbourne, by the Rev. A.R. Edgar, John Samuel Morley, eldest son of Samuel Morley, of Essendon, Victoria, to Florence Louisa (Flo), second daughter of Thomas and Louisa Street, of New Town, Tasmania."*

They lived in Melbourne and had the following children:

Doris May	1908
Keith John	1910
Joan Lois	1916

#### (4) ETHEL ROSE STREET

Ethel was baptized at St. John's New Town on 1 Jan. 1882. She married Daniel Stewart at St. John's Church of England, New Town, on 11 July 1906 and they lived in Risdon Rd. New Town.

They had the following children:

Enid  
Madge  
Neill  
Ken  
Reginald

#### (5) MINNIE STREET

Minnie was baptized at St. John's New Town on 9 March 1884. She married George Leslie Adams on 15 April 1908 at St. John's New Town. The following notice was in the Mercury:

*"STREET (ADAMS – STREET) – On April 15, 1908, at St Johns' Church, New Town, by the Rev. S.H. Hughes, George Leslie, fourth eldest son of John Adams, North Hobart, to Minnie, fourth eldest daughter of Thomas Street, New Town."*

They had a daughter, Phyllis.

Minnie had a very unpleasant personality and dominated her husband and daughter's lives.

George died on 21 August 1967, and the following death notice appeared in the Mercury.

*"ADAMS – On August 21 1967 at his residence 20 Cross Street New Town, Goerge Leslie, loved and loving husband of Minnie and loved and devoted father of Phyllis (Mrs. Smith). Peace perfect peace."*

#### (6) SYDNEY THOMAS STREET

Sydney was baptized at St. John's New Town on 3 Feb. 1886. He married Sophia Jane Moore at St. John's Church of England, Hobart, on 1 June 1906.

Sydney and Sophia had the following children:

T6A	Ronald Sydney	1907	Died 31 October 1986
T6B	Leila May	15 March 1909	Died 21 April 1987
T6C	Douglas Roy	2 May 1910	Died 1 July 1976
T6D	Geoffrey Thomas	Married Kathleen May Howell	

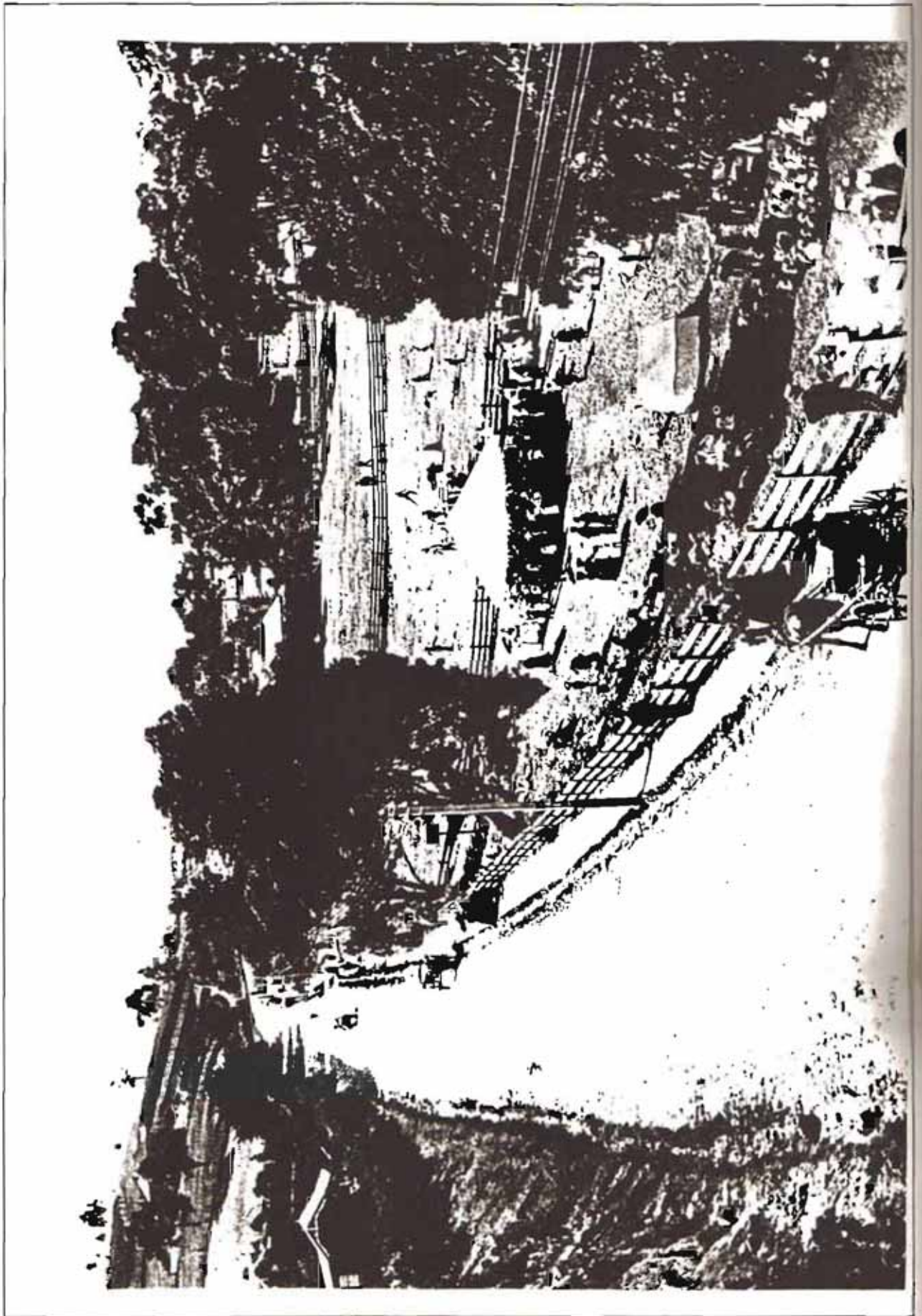
Jane died on 28 June 1960, at the age of 73. The Mercury had the following death notice:

*"STREET – On June 28 1960 at Royal Hobart Hospital, Sophia Jane, beloved wife of Sydney Thomas Street of 61 Bowen Road Moonah, late of Lenah Valley, and loved and loving mother of Ronald, Leila (Mrs. G. Lewis), Douglas and Geoffrey, aged 73 years."*

Sydney died on 13 August 1964, aged 78, and the Mercury had the following death notices:

*"STREET – Sydney Thomas on 13 August 1964 (Tom) beloved husband of the late Sophia Jane Street and loved and loving father of Ronald, Leila (Mrs. G. Lewis), Douglas, and Geoffrey. Aged 78 years."*

*"On 13 August 1964, Sydney Thomas loving uncle of Madge Marr. At rest."*



*The Long Beach Reserve, Sandy Bay, during Regatta time 1900.*

*- Photo courtesy Beattie Studio, Hobart.*

*Group Family Photograph at the Regatta about 1912.*



*STANDING: Francis Moore (Grandpa), Daniel Stewart.*

*BACK ROW: William Moore, Ronald Moore, Unknown, Zoe Moore, Ethel Moore, Edward Moore,  
Doris Moore, Ray Moore, Ellen Street, Sydney Street, Geoffrey Street, Sophia Street.*

*FRONT ROW: Thomas Street, Una Moore, Ronald Street, Leila Street, Douglas Street,  
Jean Moore nee Stewart (Grandma).*

## COMMENTS ON THE CHILDREN OF SYDNEY & SOPHIA

No comments on Geoffrey.

### T6A Ronald Sydney

Ronald married Mary Florence Smith at Holy Trinity Church of England, Hobart, on 7 June 1932.

### T6B Leila May

Leila was baptized at St. John's Church of England, New Town, on 6 June 1909. She married George Lewis and they had two children, Tony and Judy.

The following death notice was in the Mercury:

*"LEWIS, Leila May - Passed away peacefully at a private rest home on April 21, 1987, loved and loving wife of the late George Lewis, and loving mother of Tony and Judy. Mother-in-law of Gay and Joe and loved Nan of Glenn, Rachael, Karen and Joanne."*

### T6C Douglas Roy

Douglas was baptized at St. John's New Town on 3 July 1910.

He married Viola Daphne Taylor at St. John's New Town on 24 April 1929. Their three day old baby was buried at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery on 1 July 1929.

Douglas died on 1 July 1976, and the Mercury had the following death notice:

*"STREET Douglas Roy - Passed peacefully away at the Royal Hobart Hospital on July 1 1976, dearly beloved husband of Viola Daphne Street and loved son of the late Sydney Thomas and Sophia Street."*

## (7) LESLIE STREET

Leslie was baptized at St. John's New Town on 5 Sept. 1888. He married Jessie Stewart at St John's New Town on 30 March 1912. They had the following children:

Lily Maude	6 September 1908
Chrissie Gwendoline	4 November 1912
Alan Robert	13 May 1914
Joyce Isabel	12 March 1919
Ruve	

Jessie died on 10 July 1967, and the Mercury had the following death notice:

*"STREET Jessie - On July 10 1967 at Royal Hobart Hospital, beloved wife of Leslie Street and loved mother of Maude (Mrs. Farley, Adelaide), Alan (deceased), Chris (Mrs. Vernon, Launceston), Joyce (Mrs. Sheridan, Rosebud) and Ruve (Mrs. Heaps). Late of 113 Montague Street New Town."*

Leslie died on 28 November 1968, and this death notice was in the Mercury:

*"STREET - On November 28 1968, at a private rest home, Hobart, Leslie, beloved husband of the late Jessie Street of New Town, and loved father of Maud (Mrs. Farley, Adelaide), Allan (deceased), Chrissie (Mrs. Vernon, Launceston), Joyce (Mrs. Sheridan, Rosebud, Vic) and Ruve (Mrs. Heaps, Lenah Valley), aged 80 years."*

## (8) MABEL STREET

Mabel was baptized at St. John's New Town on 5 Feb 1890. She married William Henry Cooper on 20 June 1914 at the Congregational Church Canterbury. The following notice was in the Mercury:

*"STREET (COOPER - STREET) , On June 20 at the Congregationalist Church, Canterbury, Victoria, by the Rev. Ambrose Roberts, William Henry, eldest son of Mr & Mrs H.W. Cooper, of Aston, Faversham Rd, Canterbury, to Mabel (Bon), fifth daughter of Mr & Mrs Street of Bedford St, New Town, Hobart, Tasmania."*

Mabel and William lived in Box Hill and later Caulfield, Victoria. They had the following children:

Gwendoline Mabel	1915
Leslie Graham	1916
John William	1922
Geoffrey Raymond	1926
Desmond	1930

Mabel died on 4 November 1954 of Hodgkin's disease, and was cremated at the Springvale Crematorium.

#### (9) BERTIE STREET

Bertie was baptized at St. John's New Town on 25 Nov. 1891. He died on 5 March 1892, of "diarrhoea and wasting". He was nearly one year old.

The Mercury, dated 7 March 1892, had the following death notice:

*"STREET - On Saturday, March 5 1892, at his parents residence, New Town, Bertie, third son of Thomas and Louisa Rose Street, aged 11 months. Funeral will leave for St. John's Church, on Monday (this day) at 10 a.m. when friends are invited to attend."*

#### (10) WALTER RAYMOND STREET

Walter was baptized at St. John's New Town on 13 July 1892. He was employed by the Tasmanian Hospital.

He married Jane Catherine Kyle at New Town Methodist on 13 September 1916, and lived at 517 Huon Rd. Hobart. Jane was registered as Catherine Jane Kile and born on 16 January 1895 at Franklin.

They had the following children:

T10A	Arthur Wesley		Died 20 August 1983
T10B	Sheila Margaret	Married D. Edwards	
T10C	Harold Bramwell	1922	Died 1 May 1990
T10D	Phillip Raymond		
T10E	Dorothy Joan		
T10F	Stanley Kyle		

#### COMMENTS ON THE CHILDREN OF WALTER & JANE

*Nothing further is known about Sheila.*

##### T10A Arthur Wesley

Arthur never married. He died on 20 August 1983, and the following death notice was in the Mercury:

*"STREET Arthur Wesley - On August 20 1983 at St. Johns Park Hospital, dearly beloved son of the late Walter and Jane Street, loved and loving brother of Sheila (dec), Harold, Phillip, Dorothy (Mrs. Loring, Burnie), and loved uncle of all his nieces and nephews. In God's care."*

##### T10C Harold Bramwell

Harold married Valmai Fletcher.

They had four children; Varinia, Karina, Jason and Loretta.

Harold served with the 40th. Battalion, A.I.F., during the Second World War and was a P.O.W. of the Japanese. He died in the Repatriation Hospital on 1 May 1990.

There were six death notices in the Mercury, three of them are shown below.

*"STREET Harold Bramwell (Judge) - Late 2nd 40th Battalion, AIF ex POW of Japanese, at Repatriation Hospital, on 1 May 1990, loved husband of Valmai, loved father of Varinia, Karina, Jason and Loretta. A sufferer at rest. No flowers by request, in lieu donations to the Tasmanian Cancer Committee would be appreciated. Many thanks to Whittle Ward staff at Repatriation Hospital. Through your care Harold received his last wish."*

*"STREET, Harold (Judge) - Passed peacefully away on May 1, 1990, at R. G. H. Loved son of the late Walter and Jane Street, loved brother of Arthur (dec), Sheila (dec), Phil, Dorothy (Mrs. B. Loring, Burnie) and Stanley. May he rest in peace."*

*"STREET, Harold Bramwell (Judge) - Aged 68 years, World War 1 Veteran, 2nd 40th Battalion, passed away at Repatriation Hospital on May 1, 1990, loved son-in-law of Norman and Dawn Fletcher, brother-in-law of Faye and Edgar Twining, Pauline and Barry Grubb, Dennis, Glenn and Julie Fletcher, uncle of Kim, Domini, Tony, Lena, Bronwyn, Abraham, Mandy, Kelly, Abbey, Tracey and great uncle of Carissa. Deepest sympathy to Valmai, Varinia, Karinia, Jason and Loretta. (Memories are like stars that shine, they last until the end of time). Rest in peace Judge."*

### T10D Phillip Raymond

Phillip married Doreen Hayes.

They had five children; Roger, Robert, Peter, Paul and Scott.

### T10E Dorothy Joan

Dorothy married Brian Loring.

They had six children; Stephen, Annette, Colin, Michael, Kaye and Phillip.

### T10F Stanley Kyle

Stanley married Audrey Cook.

They had five children; David, Margaret, Debra, Christine and Peter.

Walter died on 26 April 1961, at the age of 69. Letters of Administration were granted to Jane, his estate being worth 3912 pounds.

The Mercury had these death notices:

*"On April 26 1961 at a private hospital Hobart, Walter Raymond Street dearly beloved husband of Jane Katherine Street of 517 Huon Rd. Hobart and loving father of Arthur, Sheila (Mrs. D. Edwards) Harold, Phillip, Dorothy (Mrs. B. Loring) and Stanley. In his 70th. year."*

*"On April 26 1961 at a private hospital, Walter Raymond Street beloved father-in-law of Audrey, Moonah West and loving grand-daddy of David, Margaret, Debra and Christine."*

*"On April 26 1961, at a private hospital, Walter Raymond, beloved father-in-law of Doreen (Hayes) and loving grand-daddy of Roger (deceased), Robert, Peter (deceased), Paul and Scott."*

Jane died on 29 September 1979, and the Mercury carried the following death notice:

*"STREET Jane Catherine - On September 29 1979 at St. Johns Park Hospital, dearly beloved wife of the late Walter Raymond Street, loved and loving mother of Arthur, Sheila (dec), Harold, Phillip, Dorothy (Mrs. Loring) and Stanley and loving grandmother and great grandmother of all her children, in her 85th year."*

### **(11) ELSIE LAVINA STREET**

Elsie was baptized at St. John's New Town on 4 Feb. 1894. She was known as "Lot".

Elsie married Jack Beston and they had a daughter, Valerie.

They lived in N.S.W.

### **(12) HORACE EDMUND STREET**

Horace was baptized at St. John's New Town on 8 April 1897. He was known as "Horrie", and was a very good footballer in his youth.

Horace married Evelyn Sarah Grace Boon (born 25 June 1897) on 28 December 1916 at the Melville St. Methodist Church, Hobart, and together they ran a mixed business which sold confectionery, fruit, groceries and newspapers for about ten years. After that, Horace worked with Price Control keeping a check on hotel charges. He was then in the accounts section of the Hobart Jail for many years. After his retirement he acted as the bookkeeper with Beakley Bros.

Horace conducted the Wesley choir in Hobart for many years. Christmas time was very special as the Halleluiah Chorus was presented and all family members sung.

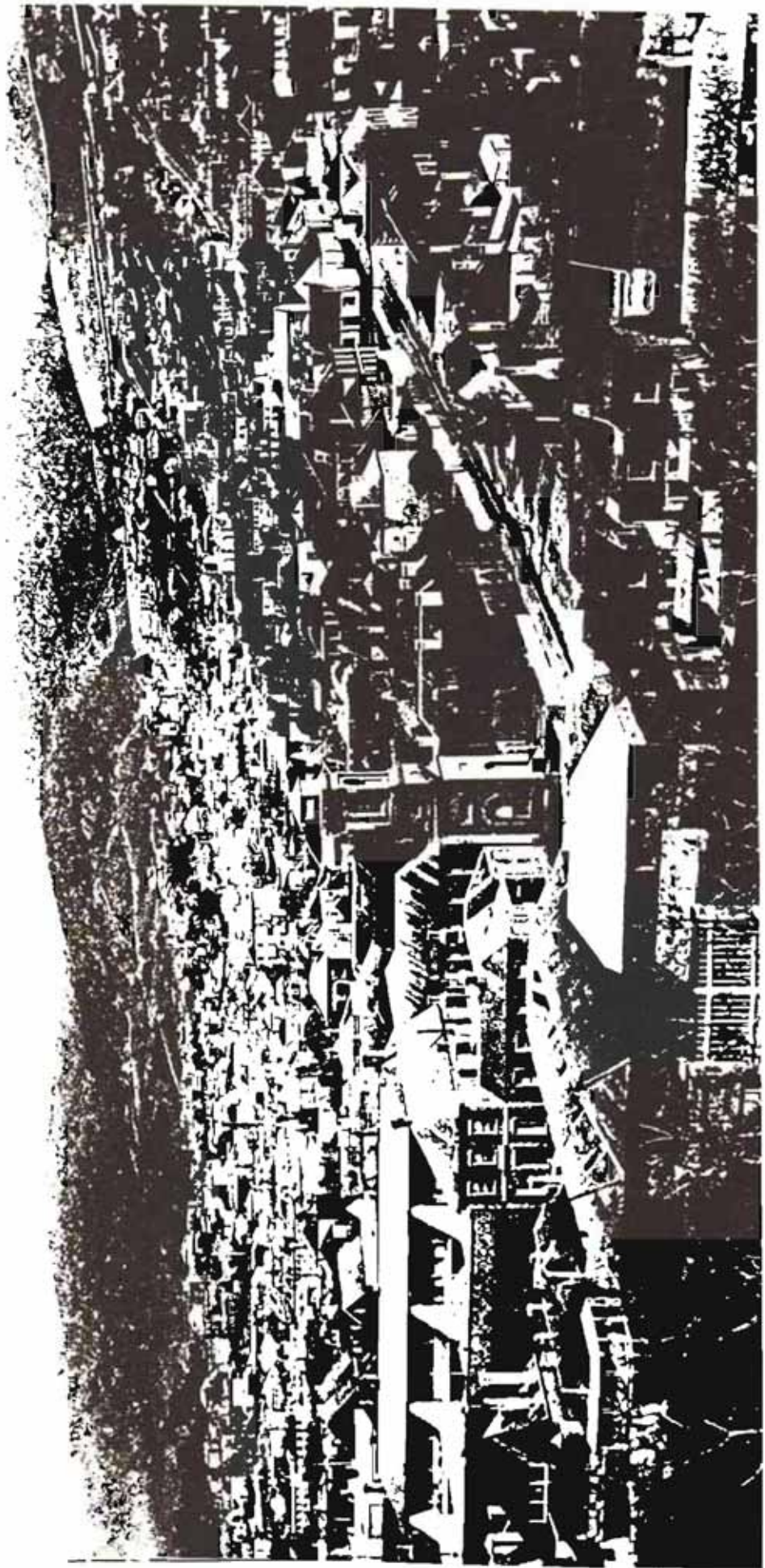
Horace and Evelyn had the following children:

T12A	Malcolm Arthur	16 November 1917	Died 31 December 1978
T12B	Betty Evelyn	10 February 1920	Died 21 August 1978
T12C	Barbara Joan	20 February 1924	

Evelyn died in 1986, at the age 87.

Horace was a keen gardener, and for the last years of his life was the groundsman at the retirement village where he lived.

Horace died on 30 March 1990, at the age of 93.



*Hobart looking west, Brisbane St. & Old Jail on left.*

*— Photo taken by Beattie Studio, Hobart.*



*Photograph taken on 28 December 1976 – Diamond Wedding of Horace & Evelyn Street,  
also Horace's 80th Birthday.*

*Betty Beakley (nee Street), Evelyn Street (wife of Horace), Malcolm Street, Barbara Hill (nee Street).*

#### COMMENTS ON THE CHILDREN OF HORACE & EVELYN

##### T12A Malcolm Arthur

Malcolm was baptized at New Town Methodist on 25 January 1918. In the Second World War, he served with the RAF as a rear gunner in over 40 raids to Germany.

His marriage to Ruth Rainbird produced a son, Michael.

Malcolm was well known in the Sandy Bay area, as he was connected with the Football Club, and also operated the local Shell Service Station for many years.

He died on the 31 December 1978.

##### T12B Betty Evelyn

Betty was baptized at New Town Methodist on 2 July 1920.

She married Arthur John Beakley in Hobart on 10 April 1947. They had three children, Anthony, Anne and Lynne.

Betty helped Arthur to establish the drapery store of Beakley Bros. at Glenorchy. Arthur was the Managing Director. It became a very popular place to shop.

Betty died on 21 August 1978.

##### T12C Barbara Joan

Barbara was baptized at New Town Methodist on 21 May 1924.

She married Raymond Hill in Hobart on 24 September 1946. They had three children, Jennifer, Roger and Mark.

For many years Betty and Raymond operated various corner grocery stores in New Town and Mt. Stuart. Raymond finally became involved with Daffodil Products, and worked there until his retirement.





*Horace in the cart, Evelyn, his wife, in the doorway. Early 1930's.*

### (13) DORIS STREET

Doris was baptized at St. John's New Town on 19 July 1900. She was known as "Aunt Dolly".

Doris married Charles Henry Cromer (born 22 April 1898), on 8 September 1920 at the Holy Trinity Church in Hobart. Witnesses were Leslie Street and H.E. Street. They had the following children:

T13A	Cecily	12 October 1921
T13B	Peggy	4 September 1923

Doris looked after her mother, Louisa, for the last 12 years of her life, as she was bedridden after breaking her hip.

Charles died on 6 May 1978, and the following death notice appeared in the Mercury:

*"CROMER Charles Henry – On May 6 1978 at Royal Hobart Hospital, beloved husband of Doris (Doll) of 14 Hope Street, New Town and loving father of Cecily (Mrs. Dunn) and Peggy (Mrs. Skeels) and loving Pop of all his grand children and great grand children."*

She died in August 1990, at the age of 90.



*Doris and Charles Cromer.*



BACK: David Skeels, Robyn Swann (nee Dunn), Olivia Swann.  
FRONT: Peggy Skeels (nee Cromer), Cecily Dunn (nee Cromer).

#### COMMENTS ON THE CHILDREN OF DORIS & CHARLES

Cecily and Peggy were both baptized at New Town Methodist on 16 June 1924.

##### T13A Cecily

She married Max Dunn and had these children:

Robyn		Married Richard Swann
Rosemary Anne	22 September 1953	Married Trevor J. Snape

##### T13B Peggy

Peggy married Selwyn Lennard Skeels in 1947, and they had the following children:

Kenneth	30 March 1948	Married Heather Schott
Peter B.	27 March 1951	Married Christine ?
Beth Louisa	28 November 1953	Married Peter N. Valentine

#### (14) EDNA LILIUS STREET

Edna married Charles Tasman Hilder. They had the following children:

Colin Gordon  
Audrey  
Betty  
Sue

They lived at 20 Bay Rd. New Town.

Edna died on 17 February 1972, and this death notice appeared in the Mercury:

*"HILDER (nee Street) - Passed peacefully away on February 17 1972 at Royal Hobart Hospital. Edna Lillias [Lilius], dearly beloved wife of Charles, loved and loving mother of Colin, Audrey, Betty and Suzanne and beloved nanny of all her grandchildren. In God's care."*

In her will she appoints, as trustees:

Charles Tasman Hilder (Husband)  
Colin Gordon Hilder (Son)

*"My piano is to go to my granddaughter, Bettina Lee Kemp. My 1/2 share in the business C T & E L Hilder at 23 Baker St. New Town is to go to my husband. All moneys outstanding to my credit to be divided equally between my children. Property to go to my husband."*

Charles died on 28 June 1985, and the Mercury had the following death notice:

*"HILDER Charles Tasman – On June 28 1985 at a private nursing home, Hobart, dearly beloved husband of the late Edna Lilius [Lilius] Hilder, loved and loving father of Colin, Audrey (Mrs. Hosking), Betty (Mrs. Kemp) and Sue and loved grandfather of all his grandchildren. In his 80th year."*

Both are buried in the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.



# A SECOND CHANCE

## CHAPTER 20

### DAVID WILLIAM STREET

My father, David, lost his mother and a brother, Cyril, when he was eight years old. As a result of this, he had to accept responsibilities beyond that normal to a boy of that age. He was the oldest boy of the four remaining children.

After gaining his Qualifying Certificate (to say he had successfully completed State School education) on 1 January 1924, he left school and started work with the P.M.G.

He had a passionate love for Hobart and with his job he saw many other parts of Tasmania. This made him more aware of the whole island state of Tasmania and gave him a deep lasting love for it.

A young man without the steadying influence of a mother, and with a father who worked long hours to ensure his family had enough to eat and clothes to wear, could have very easily got under the influence of the wrong sort of people. He didn't, and that is a credit not only to his father, his brothers and sister, relatives, and friends, but also to himself.

He also had another helping influence, that of his church at West Hobart, the local Church of Christ.

He made a pledge with the Hill Street Church of Christ. It is dated 8 November 1927, and states the following:

*"This is to certify that David William Street is a member of the Band of Hope, and having signed the following pledge. I promise, by Divine Assistance, to abstain from all intoxicating liquors and from tobacco unless by medical advice."*

He became deeply involved with the activities in the Church. This included regular Bible studies, and he sat for the yearly Bible School Union Examinations. His best result was 92% in 1928. He qualified as a Lay Preacher and also became very involved with the Christian Endeavour, often attending the State Conventions, in Tasmania and in the other states.

His background therefore gave him tolerance, unselfishness, responsibility, carefulness with money, friendliness, openness to others, consideration and a deep love of his fellow man and life in general.

He loved playing sport – particularly cricket, tennis and badminton – and enjoyed watching Australian Rules.

It was as a result of a State Christian Endeavour Convention held in Melbourne that he met my mother, Floris May Thomas. In fact he was billeted by their family. My mother and her brother John Paterson Thomas, were heavily involved with the Christian Endeavour at the Camberwell Methodist Church.

A courtship took place, mainly by letter. Some of the comments he made to his future wife give a further insight into his character. (My mother kept his letters to her all these years)

*"We are apart, yet there are things which bind us together, bind us as nothing else can. It is more than just words, words don't count for much, it is our love for each other, it grows, it knows no right, sees no ill – can only see the beauty and majesty of each other.... There will be lots of things to talk about and discuss besides scandal. Darling I won't talk about other people if I can get out of it."*

(26 September 1938)

*"Darling we must be prepared to tell each other of our troubles. I believe there comes consolation to the individual if they can tell their failings to a friend..... from henceforth you are going to be that friend and I want to be the same to you."*

(28 January 1939)

*"we musn't buy all our home at once. There would be no fun in preparing and buying. If we are able to buy the necessities, the others will come as we progress along life's way."*

(30 January 1939)

The engagement was announced on 16 August 1938. The wedding was held at the Camberwell Methodist Church, on 4 November 1939. Witnesses were:

John P. Thomas  
O.G. Benson

The wedding was written up in the local paper, the Camberwell Free Press, on Wednesday, November 8 1939, as follows:

#### " WEDDING STREET - THOMAS

*A very pretty wedding took place at the Methodist Church, Camberwell, on Saturday evening last when Floris May Thomas, only daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Thomas of Athelstan Rd., Camberwell, was married to David William Street, eldest son of the late Mr. & Mrs. A.E. Street, of Hobart (Tasmania). The officiating minister was Rev. E.L. Vercoe. The bride was prettily dressed in a gown of magnolia embossed satin with a choice Brussels lace veil over 100 years old. She carried a bouquet of water lilies and frangipanni. She was attended by two bridesmaids, Miss Olwyn Benson and Miss Joyce Cox, dressed in green taffeta and Dolly Varden headdresses and carried bouquets of lilac. The best man was Mr. John B.[P] Thomas and the groomsman Mr. Ray [Roy] Street. The reception was held afterwards in the School Hall at which ninety guests were entertained."*

At this time he clearly made a deep personal sacrifice. It seemed that they fully intended to make their home in Tasmania, but when my father realised the deep love his wife had for her parents, he decided to stay in Victoria. No issue was ever made of that decision, or indeed was it ever publically discussed.

He arranged to be transferred in his employment with the P.M.G. to the Camberwell Post Office. A house was rented in Athelstan Rd. not very far from the Thomas home.

He was transferred to Birchip in 1941 and remained there until after the war. It was there that they formed their life long friendship with the Bennett family.

When they returned to Melbourne they decided to move into the Thomas home. At the time it housed an aunt and uncle, grandparents, two small children (David Jnr and Yvonne), as well as David and Floris.

In August 1950, he was successful in the Public Service examinations and arranged a transfer across to the Department of Trade and Customs, where he worked until he retired.

He became a Free Mason in 1955, and was appointed Worshipful Master on 3 July 1971.

My mother was a beautiful dancer and successfully danced for many medals. Her greatest achievement was to obtain an excellent report for her Academy Award in old time dancing. Dad was so proud of her efforts.

Dad made the Sunday School at the Camberwell Methodist Church (later Camberwell Uniting) one of his fields of service, and spent many happy years involved with children. He loved to be associated with them.

He retired in 1968, and it wasn't long before he decided to use his great love of children to good effect. He successfully obtained employment as a Father Christmas at Myers. He eventually ran the Section for Myers.

After Floris died in 1978 he started to travel extensively, both within Australia and overseas. He looked forward to the fellowship on those trips. He enjoyed the company of friends and relations and had the happy knack of being able to accept you as you were.



**Academy of Teachers, Dancing  
Practical Medal Test Report  
(OLD TIME BRANCH)**

NAME MRS. FLORIS STREET (V.)

CLASS ACADEMY AWARD

DATE 10/12/69

*You are a credit to your  
teacher Mr Greening and a  
credit to your home ballroom  
Please Court  
Contributions*



*Floris Street and partner, Geoff Greening at Danse Court, 1969.*

DATE STAMP  
Long list - E. Bullard  
Betty Christensen  
~~Christophers~~ Thanks alot!

Stephen Wesslein  
Joan Dickson Gaskin  
all to Betty.

Linda Hartley A. Thomas.  
Maria Page  
Thanks Farnellina Faccetta  
Roy Landells Deanne Radford  
Norm

Happy xxxxxxxxxxxx  
Travis K. Pruiting  
Tricia McLean xxxxc  
Santa Alex Mc Bain

To Dear David

With Best Wishes  
for Christmas  
and the New Year

from  
all at  
Santa  
House.



David William Street, as Father Christmas at Myer's, 1979.

Floris died on 27 March 1978, of "pulmonary fibrosis and congestive cardiac failure". My father had looked after her at home during the last months of her life. She needed constant attention, as she was bedridden and on oxygen, yet he gave it lovingly.

David died on 3 July 1986 of "multiple myeloma and bronchopneumonia". He never complained, although he must have been in dreadful pain.

The family received many cards and letters of condolence. The following are quotes from two of them:

*"It is over 30 years since I first met your father, and like you, I shall always retain many happy memories of him. He would be one of the most friendly men I have ever met, and who can forget the mornings at your home eating date scones he had just cooked ! There is no need to remind you of the devotion to his family and his Church and his special ability to communicate with young people. Our lives are all richer because of him and our friendly relationship with him." John S. Bell 7 July 1986.*

*"He made himself very useful as a regular driver for some of our older churchgoers, and as a very consistent helper with the church offerings each Sunday. When a good servant of Jesus Christ passes on after many years of good works, it is an occasion for rejoicing and triumph rather than sorrow."*

*J. Laurie Provan  
10 July 1986.*



The Mercury carried this death notice:

*"On 16 February 1920 at Hobart General Hospital John Alfred Street, beloved husband of Brenda [Drendal] of Bellevue. Aged 31 years. Funeral will leave from Father-in-law (W. Carver) 402 Macquarie St. for Cornelian Bay."*

#### W4C Claude William Thomas

Claude married Florence Margaret ? and had the following children:

Deryl  
Hedley  
John William  
Unnamed baby                      Died 24 July 1945

Claude served in the Second World War with the 12th. Brigade Original. He died on 9 July 1948, and the Mercury had the following death notice:

*"STREET - Suddenly on July 9 1948, at his residence 43 Carlton Street, New Town, Claude William, beloved husband of Florence Margaret Street, loved father of Deryl and John and second son of the late Mr. & Mrs. A. J. Street. Late of Queenstown and Glenorchy, late private 12th Battalion 1st AIF (Original)."*

The Mercury had this death notice for Florence Street::

*"STREET- Florence Margaret- Suddenly, in Brisbane on September 3 1963 beloved wife of the late Claude William Street, and loving mother of Deryl, Hedley and John William. Aged 60 years. R.I.P."*

#### W4D Herbert Tasman

Herbert married twice. His first wife was Elsie Maude Ferguson. They married on 26 April 1924 in Hobart, and had the following children:

Lola Jane Elizabeth              30 October 1924  
Norman                                      1926  
Graham                                      1928  
Ron    1931  
Valma    1935

Herbert married his second wife, Edith "Edie" Stewart at Caulfield, on 28 June 1952. They had no children.

Herbert died on 11 April 1963 and the Mercury had the following death notice:

*"Herbert Tasman Street on 11 April 1963 at Melbourne. Loved husband of Edie, son of late Mr. & Mrs. A. J. Street, late of Queenstown - loved brother of Jack, Claude (dec), Ethel (Strathhaven-nursing home), Alf (Woodbridge) and Lillian (Mrs. Ned Stansall). Loved by all. At rest."*

#### W4E Alfred James

Alfred lived in Tolson St., Glenorchy. He was married twice. His first marriage was to Edith Lydia Mawbey in 1924. They had the following children:

Alfred Nathan	21 August 1927	Married Florence Win Budd
Marcia Joyce	November 1929	Died 27 April 1930
Robert James	25 June 1931	Married Gwen (Robert was known as Richard)
Margaret Lydia	21 March 1933	Married Noel
Ruby June	25 March 1935	Married John Spurway Smith
Joan Maxine		Married John Baines

Marcia's death notice in the Mercury said:

*"On April 27, 1930, at Children's Hospital, Hobart, Marcia Joyce, dearly loved and loving only daughter of Alfred and Edith Street, of Tolosa Street, Glenorchy, and beloved only granddaughter of Mr and Mrs M. Mawby of Trafalger Street, New Town, aged 5 months."*

Edith died on 29 December 1939. The Mercury had this death notice:

*"STREET (nee Mawbey) - On December 29 1939 (suddenly) at Hobart, Edith Lydia, the beloved wife of Alfred James Street of Woolbridge. In the 36th. year of her age. Funeral notice in tonight's "VOICE".*

H.C. MILLINGTON PTY. LTD. Funeral Directors."

Alfred married for the second time in Adelaide. His bride was Florence Lilian Martin. She had been married previously and had three children – William, Norma, and Joan.

Alfred and Florence had two children:

Carmal Fay	3 November 1948	Married Alister
Alan Edward	10 May ?	Married Dianna Manning

Alfred died on 4 April 1976 and the Mercury had the following death notice:

*"STREET – On April 4 1976 at Repatriation Hospital, Alfred James, loved husband of Florence Lillian Street, father of Alfred, Richard (Launceston), Margaret (Melbourne), Ruby (Carrick), Joan, Fay and Alan, stepfather of Bill, Norma and Joan, father-in-law of Florence, Gwen, Noel, John, John, Alister, Dianne, Bertha, Tom, Terry, and loving poppy of all his grandchildren. Late of Woodbridge."*

#### W4F Lilian Violet

Lilian married A. E. (Ned) Stansall. In 1963 she is recorded as being in the Strathhaven Nursing Home. She is buried in the Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

Lilian died on 21 July 1965.

The Mercury had this death notice:

*"STANSALL – Lillian Violet – Passed peacefully away at Royal Hobart Hospital on July 21 1965, loved and loving wife of A. E. (Ned) Stansall of 115 Tolosa Street, Glenorchy, loved mother of — and Kevin, loving mother-in-law of Judith and Daphne and loved nanna of all her grandchildren. In God's care."*

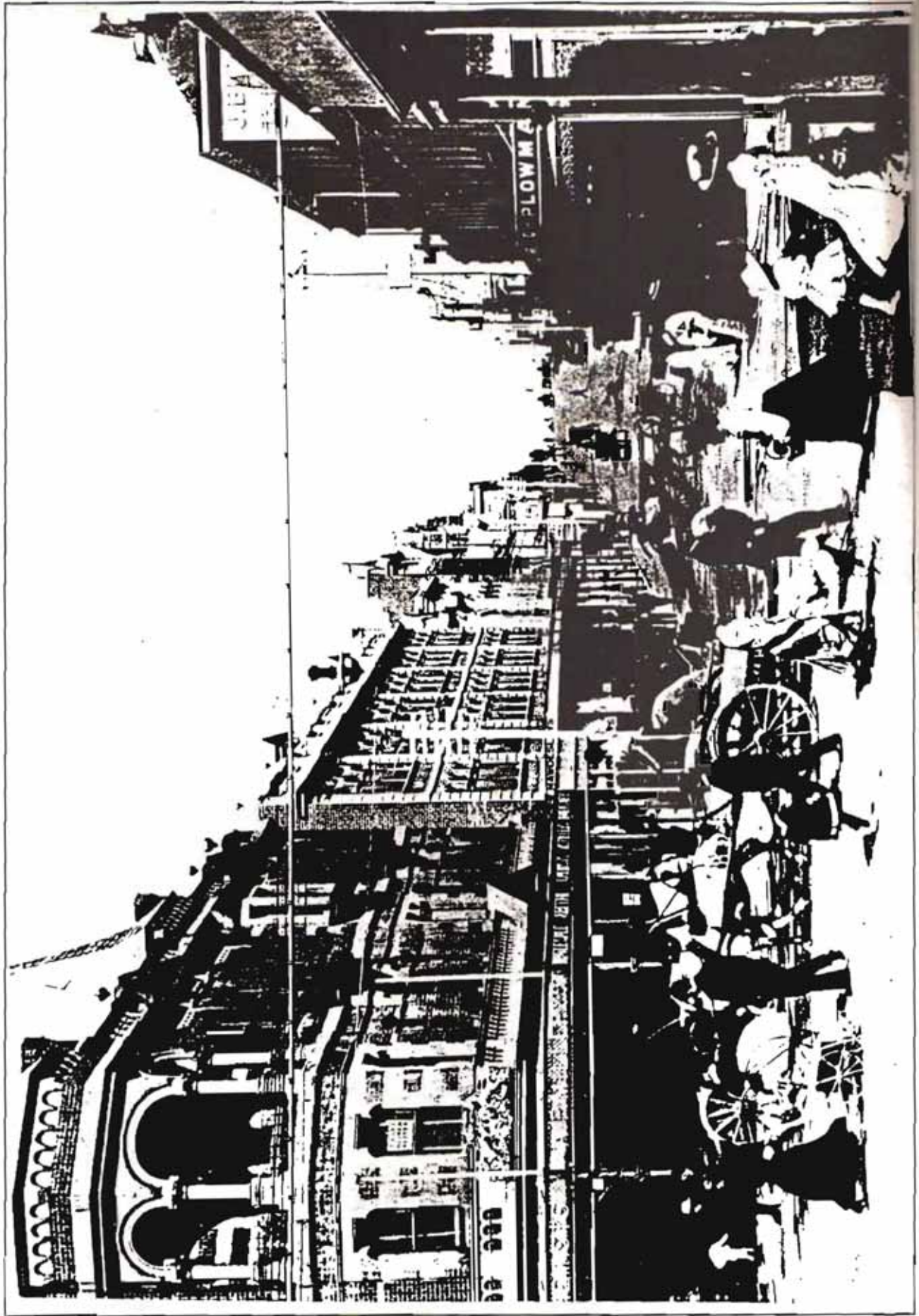
#### (5) ARTHUR ERNEST STREET

According to the 1911 census, Arthur lived at 353 Liverpool St., Hobart.

He was a miner and worked at Queenstown for some time, sending money home to support his mother, Sophia. He didn't get married until two years after his mother's death in 1906. All his brothers were married and some had grown up children before Arthur married in 1908, at the age of 39.



*Arthur & Ethel*



*Murray St. Hobart about 1910.*

*Photo courtesy Beattie Studios, Hobart.*

According to Thomas Arthur Street, Ethel Magdalene Hutchins was employed as a housekeeper by his father, Herbert John. It was at their home that Arthur met her, and she eventually became his wife. They were married at King St. Independent Church, Hobart, on 15 April 1908. Witnesses were:

James Hutchins  
H.J. Street

Ethel Magdalene Hutchins was born on 8 May 1883.

Arthur and Ethel had the following children:

W5A Winifred Ethel	27 November 1908	
W5B David William	16 August 1910	Died 3 July 1986
W5C Roy Ernest John	25 July 1912	Died 3 April 1992
W5D Cyril Keith	25 June 1914	Died 25 February 1918
W5E Henry William	22 July 1916	

Ethel was not a strong woman. However she got on with the day to-day tasks of managing a household. She regularly visited her sister Jessie, who had T. B. and eventually died on 27 August 1920.

Ethel was not well when her four-year old son Cyril died in 1918, and she followed soon after on 23 August 1918. Her cause of death was given as "phthisis".

The death notice in the Mercury says this:

*"On 23 August 1918 at her residence 18 Allinson St., Hobart, Ethel Magdalene, the beloved wife of Arthur E. Street, and loved 3rd. daughter of J. Hutchins, Hobart. Aged 36 years. Buried 23 August in Cornelian Bay."*

The cemetery records indicate that an overtime fee of ten shillings was paid for the burial.

Arthur had the difficulty of rearing four young children and trying to earn a living as well. He was not a young man, being almost 50 when his wife died. For a little while, the family managed to afford a housekeeper, but as times got hard she had to go.

The boys quickly learnt to cook, sew, iron, clean, and all other sorts of household jobs. This was to stand them all in good stead later in life. Also wood was cut, lawns mown, messages ran - anything to earn a little extra money. The depression hit and times got tough.

Arthur worked hard. Finally it all caught up with him and he died on 2 December 1930, of "aortic regurgitation syncope" and was buried at Cornelian Bay Cemetery.

His brother Herbert was extremely upset at his death and wept. He is alleged to have said "He was the best of us all. Why did it have to be him and not one of us?"

The death notice in the Mercury said:

*"On 2 December 1930 at his residence 18 Allinson St., West Hobart, Arthur Ernest Street relict of late Ethel M. Aged 60 years [he was actually 61]."*

Arthur's will dated 27 August 1930, said:

*"to divide the balance of such monies equally between my children the said Winifred Ethel, William David, Ernest John, William Henry Street."*

## COMMENTS ON ARTHUR AND ETHEL'S CHILDREN

### W5A Winifred Ethel

Winifred was named after a cousin (perhaps Richard's daughter) who was staying with her parents prior to her birth.

A young boy across the road called Winifred's friend, Margaret, "Win" and then when he discovered Winifred's name decided to call her "Peg". The nickname stuck and she has been known ever since as Peg.

Peg used to have long talks with her father about all sorts of things. These things also included the family. She knew, when I asked her, about the scalding of a young uncle and his subsequent death. However she thought there had been two boys scalded and that they were twins. I have not been able to confirm that.

Peg went with a young man she met during the early days of the Second World War. They would probably have married, but he was killed in action. She met and married Lindsay McGrath in 1943 and a son, Brian was born in 1945. She has lived in Albury since 1954. Brian married Beth and they have three children.



*Brian & Winifred (Peg) McGrath*

#### W5B David William

I intend to devote the last chapter of this book to my father. However, I will say a few things about him here.

David had a hectic early life. He left school early to help out with home finances. He joined the P.M.G. as a telegraph boy at the North Hobart Post Office and became a linesman and later a telegraph operator.

He used to enjoy riding a motor bike. I can remember a story he told when his bike broke down at dusk. He just wheeled it up to a farm and asked for accommodation for the night. Naturally he was given it. Next morning, in the daylight, he was able to repair the bike and continue with his trip.

He enjoyed playing sport - cricket, tennis and badminton.

He was an active member of the West Hobart Church of Christ.

Arthur, his father, on his death bed, asked him to look after his young brother, Henry, who was 12 at the time. David did.

#### W5C Roy Ernest John

Roy saw service in the Second World War with the R.A.A.F. and was stationed in Egypt for a time.

On his discharge, the following description was given:

Height : 5' 5"

Hair : Fair

Eyes : Grey

Complexion : Medium

Marks : Small scar upper lip Scar on throat



*David & Floris Street outside their unit in Glen Iris 1977.*



*90 Athelstan Rd. Camberwell. Home of the Thomas & Street Families for over 30 years.*

Roy married Olive Miers on 14 August 1946. They have two children:

Glenda Joy	30 April 1948	Married John Plog
Valerie Olive	31 July 1952	

Roy and Olive lived in Sandringham for a while. They then moved to Camberwell, where he had a carpentry business in his garage. When it got too big he moved into larger accommodation. A credit squeeze of the 1960's put him out of business.

Roy & Olive brought a grocery shop in Noble Park, which they ran for many years, until the poor health of Roy forced them to close.

Roy has had a pacemaker for twenty years. He is a pioneer in that field.

As a hobby, he made beautiful machine made jumpers, and rugs on a loom. However the cost of materials has increased dramatically, so it has not been worthwhile making them in the last few years.

Roy kept himself busy by operating the tape ministry at the Dandenong Baptist Church, a role he undertook and enjoyed for many years. In 1991 Roy and Olive moved to Queensland to be near their two daughters.

#### W5D Cyril Keith

Cyril's death certificate says he died of "tubercular meningitis respiration paralysis". His wife, Olive, says he died from complications which arose from swallowing a fruit pip.

He was a bright, mischievous, happy child. Even after all these years, Roy can remember playing with him, and they were good mates.



Roy & Olive 14 August 1946.