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Tuesday August 6th

Tuesday October 8th

A.G.M.

Saturday August 10th

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President's report

July 2024

This is the last newsletter some of our members will receive. Every financial year is the same story. Some members remain financial even though it might be years since they did any research while those who joined on a whim leave us. Then by the end of the year there will be another group of researchers who join and never rejoin. Thank you to all those members who have continued to support us over the years. Some of them go back to 1987 when we became a society in our own right so that's an achievement for any society. In saying that we have a few members who were involved when we were still the Toowoomba Chapter of the Genealogical Society of Queensland which was formed in 1978.

So far as the work being done in the library is concerned we have now scanned all the pioneer registers for every state except Queensland. This is certainly making it easier to find ancestors by quickly searching a PDF file.

We are still scanning the Toowoomba Council rates notices and have completed the 1930s to 1955. The next group is 1956 to 1965 and these are a real challenge. I can well understand why they are not being used at the Local History Library. In their wisdom the council officers divided the town into sections which means that any long street like West Street is on eight films. I might add that Film 16 and 17 have been wound back to front so we're scanning from the end to the beginning. I thought I'd make note on the NAS drive just which section of the council map each film number referred to. That was until I found that streets that were filmed as if in one section were actually in another section. At the end of the process I will combine the streets and they will then be by street to make it easier for researchers. Thanks to our volunteers we have someone scanning these films every day.

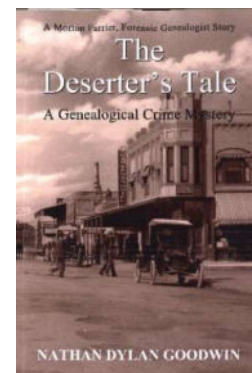
The school indexes continue to grow but alas we have now lost Ken Stephen who is no longer well enough to index the Toowoomba Chronicles. We are now looking for a volunteer for this job. Any takers????

Book review

This book has been sent to the society from The Novel Guys Ltd (UK) for review. It is a novella – a short novel and won't be accessioned into the library as it is fiction. Its title is *The Deserter's Tale: a genealogical crime mystery*, and it's the latest (tenth) in this genre written by British author, Nathan Dylan Goodwin, featuring forensic genealogist Morton Farrier.

The accompanying blurb:

When forensic genealogist Morton Farrier accepted an invitation to travel to Salt Lake City, Utah, to speak at the RootsTech genealogy conference, he had been unaware that one of his co-panellists was to be none other than his former girlfriend, Madison Scott-Barnhart. Whilst he prepares anxiously to meet her for what will be the first time in twenty-six years—and hopefully to discover the unresolved truth behind her abrupt ending of their relationship—he takes on the case of researching his wife's mysterious great-grandfather: a man who deserted his Sussex family shortly after the First World War. In the course of his investigations and time in the States, Morton uncovers some shocking truths, some of which are uncomfortably close to home...



The first part of this novel set in 2023 allowed me to catch up on the Farrier family dynamics as I haven't read any of the previous forensic genealogist novels. So, who is the deserter? What is his story, who / what did he desert?

Charles Hughes was Moreton's wife great-grandfather, born in Britain and who served overseas in the First World War, but deserted his wife and two children soon after returning to Britain, to live in Las Vegas. It would be a good opportunity to do some research while Morton was in America for the genealogy conference. Before leaving for the USA, Morton used local and internet resources to find as much as he could about Charles. Luckily for him, Morton's wife had some DNA matches in the USA, and these were to prove vital in the ensuing search.

As I haven't done any serious family history research in America, I must say I was astounded at what current information is available online. Naturally, after the conference Morton was finally able to fill in most of the unknowns about Charles Hughes, sort out his own youthful relationship with Madison Scott-Barnhart, and even exonerate his own errant grandfather who, co-incidentally, had lived in America.

While I did think at times the book was a little rushed, never-the-less I did enjoy it. Who doesn't enjoy a story about how a genealogical mystery has finally been solved? I suspect most of us 'genies' do.

THE MYSTERY OF GEORGINA DORO (1873-1944) WITHIN THE STORY OF GEORGE CATON (1885-1914)

Researched by Mary E. Metcalfe, George's great niece.

Photo of the Doro family kindly provided by a relative of Violet Duff.



Where does Georgina fit within the family of William and Mary Caton of Leyburn; Queensland is the question many researchers would love answered? My attention was whetted back in 2014 by the words within this newspaper notice:

Warwick Examiner and Times, Saturday 11 September 1915
page 5, Family Notices
IN MEMORIAM.

CATON.—In sad but loving memory of our dear brother George, who departed this life on September 11, 1914.

Gone from us; how deeply we miss you.

Loving dear brother, thy memory well keep;

Never till life ends we will ever forget thee,

Dear to our hearts is the place where you sleep. (Inserted by A. and G. Doro)

Why would these people insert such a notice if they were not related? George's eldest niece and Mary Metcalfe's aunt, Dorothy Goffage 1905-2001, who lived at *Strathane*, Leyburn, wrote that George died aged 29 years, after admission to Warwick Hospital on 4 September 1914, from a ruptured appendix, as he was unable to cross flooded Thanes Creek, a tributary of the Condamine River. Even today in 2024 that same creek continues to close the road.

The death of Mr George Caton, of Leyburn, occurred at Kanimbla Hospital last night. Deceased, who was 29 years of age, was brought into the institution a week ago, and on Wednesday an operation was performed. The funeral will move from the Harp of Erin Hotel this afternoon at 3 o'clock. (*Warwick Examiner and Times*, Saturday 12 September 1914 p. 5) and on p. 8:

The friends of the late GEORGE CATON, late of Leyburn, are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, which will move from the Harp of Erin Hotel this afternoon at 3 o'clock for St. Mary's Church and thence to the Warwick Cemetery. E. O'MARA, Undertaker.

In connection with the death of Mr George Caton, of Leyburn, which took place at Kanimbla Private Hospital on Friday night, we learn that deceased was the son of Mr William Caton, late of Clarevaux station, N.S. Wales, and was a brother of Messrs. John and James Caton, Managers of *Cloonacool* and *Ellangowan* stations respectively. The late Mr George Caton was in the very prime of life when death visited him and had only been married three years. He leaves a widow and two children, the younger being only six weeks old, to mourn their irreparable loss. We extend our sincere sympathy to the relatives of the deceased. The funeral took place to the Warwick cemetery on Saturday, and the Rev. Father Lee officiated at the graveside. (*Warwick Examiner and Times*, Monday 14 Sept 1914 p. 1) and on p. 8:

THANKS. Mr and Mrs W. Caton, Mrs George Caton, and Mr John Caton [brother of George] wish to return sincere Thanks to Drs Smyth and Tilley for their kind and unremitting attention to the late Mr George Caton during the time he was an inmate at Kanimbla Hospital & to the Matron and nurses of the latter institution; and to Mr and Mrs L. Quinn, Mr and Mrs W. Dwan, and Mr Frank Hales. Glen Innes papers please copy.

The cause of death on the historical image obtained by me was 'appendiceal abscess and myocarditis'.

The Brisbane Courier, Monday 30 April 1917 page 10:

Name of Deceased Proprietor.--George Caton, late of 'Tralee' near Warwick. Date of Death.--11th September 1914.
Name of Claimant.--The Public Curator of Queensland, as Administrator. Description and Situation of Land-Allotment 1 of Section 5, Town of Leyburn. Estate Claimed to be Transmitted. -- Fee simple. Particulars of Will or Otherwise. Certificate of Appointment. Date within which Caveat may be Lodged. 5th June 1917.

I am the daughter of Eric James Caton late of Toowoomba, and I do not think that great uncle George Caton was the biological 'brother' of Georgina Doro, who was believed born a Nelson, 1873 Stanthorpe, and died 1944. Georgina's name was given as Caton on Henry Albert Doro's Queensland death in 1917 but as Nelson on his birth

registration. Both families appear to have lived in the Pikedale goldfield area for some of the time. Georgina, aged 17, married Albert William Doro on 17 December 1890.

As background to this George Caton story, William Caton (always known as 'Caton') was the son of Mary Anne Riley, aka Alcock, who was an Irish Famine Orphan on the *Lismoyne* which arrived in Port Jackson on 29 November 1849. She gave birth to William illegitimately on 7 May 1853 in Maitland, to father Michael Ryan (of whom there are many in Maitland at that time). The baptismal certificate originally provided to me by TDDFHS bears witness to this information and became the catalyst for my genealogical journey to this day.

On Tuesday 31 January 1854 Mary Anne married convict Thomas Caton at St Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Maitland, and gave birth to a further seven children, four boys and three girls – Robert, Catherine, Thomas, John, James, Isabella and Elizabeth. William's place in this family is substantiated by the birth certificate of Catherine b. 1856 where he and Robert are listed in order. Mary Anne's death is unrecorded, and there is no trace of her after 1867 when it is estimated from family heresay that her youngest child Elizabeth was about eighteen months old. Who then cared for the young children is another unanswered question.

It was on 18 September 1872 that William Caton married Mary Russell at Allman's Hotel, in one of the first marriages in Stanthorpe, according to the rites of the Roman Catholic Church, before any church built. Mary was then only 16. See the 1972 publication of Jean Harslett and Mervyn Royle – *They Came to a Plateau*. Georgina would have been a baby the year following William and Mary's marriage.

Warwick Daily News (Qld. : 1919 -1954), Tuesday 11 April 1922, page 4

The death occurred on Sunday morning quite suddenly of Mrs William Caton, of Leyburn (telegraphs our Leyburn correspondent under yesterday's date). The deceased lady had been in a delicate state of health for some considerable time, suffering from heart and lung trouble. Her demise is much regretted by a large circle of friends. Her funeral today was the largest ever seen here, there being over 40 vehicles and a large number of horse-men in the cortege. Father Humphreys, of Warwick, attended and conducted prayers at the residence, after which the funeral proceeded to the church where a short service was held before the remains were conveyed to the cemetery where Father Humphreys conducted the interment. The deceased leaves a husband and a grown-up family to mourn their loss. The sons are Mr John Caton, Leyburn, and Mr James Caton, Strathane, Ellangowan. The daughters are Mrs Maker, Goomburra, Mrs Duff, (Leyburn, Mrs Dwyer, Dulbydilla, and Mrs Dora, [read Doro] of Warwick, to all of whom much sympathy is extended.

My great grandmother Mary's certified copy of death indicated she suffered from chronic nephritis. Here again we notice the acknowledgment of Georgina Doro this time on Mary Caton's passing.

I wonder in what year her contact with Mary Caton first began. Could Georgina have been the daughter of the Edward George Nelson who died 23 April 1875 in Brisbane? NO. To find out, I purchased the historical death extract of an Edward George Nelson only to find he was a ten month old infant who had been born in Fortitude Valley and died of debility on 23 April 1875. His father George was a butcher, and mother Mary Condon reported the death. The child was buried in the Roman Catholic Cemetery by G.B. Petrie.

George Caton was born 31 July 1885, Boorook, a mining area near Drake, New England according to BDMs transcription by Joy Murrin, obtained by me. See my extended Caton entry in *Darling Downs Biographical Register to 1920* published by the Toowoomba and Darling Downs Family History Society Inc. in February 2012. George was definitely a *Brother* to:

James William (b 28.10.1874, Lode Creek, Stanthorpe) – my grandfather

John (b.10.6.1877 Nundubbermere) died a bachelor in Eventide, Sandgate.

Robert Joseph d. 1883 Boorook, as a 3 year old from 'worm fever' –see Tenterfield Rural Burials and NSW BDMs 1883/11748, for Death. 25275/1880 for NSW Birth.

Matilda Marion (b. 1883 Boorook; m. Julian Edmond Dwyer 1904

Edith Esther (b. 1898, Clarevaux Station, Glen Innes; m. William Maker

Violet Mary (b.28.2.1901 in Pikedale; married Roy Duff – William was cared for in his later years by Violet, as he went blind, according to Dorothy Goffage his oldest grandchild.

A report of George Caton's marriage to Amelia Irene McLeod on 2 January 1912 follows.

Warwick Examiner & Times, Wednesday 3 January 1912 page 5:

A very pretty wedding was solemnised at St Mary's Church, Warwick, yesterday morning, when Mr George Caton, son of Mr and Mrs William Caton, of Leyburn, was married to Miss Irene McLeod, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Alexander McLeod, of Leyburn. The bride, who was attired in a graceful gown of silk striped voile, with wreath and

veil, was given away by her brother-in-law, Mr Frank Haly. She also wore a gold lace pin, the gift of the bridegroom. The bridesmaid was Miss Grace McLeod and the best man Mr John Caton. Father Potter officiated at the ceremony. The wedding breakfast was held at the Imperial, where Father Potter presided over a large gathering of guests. He proposed the toast of 'The Bridge and Bridegroom' in eloquent terms, and the bridegroom suitably responded. After the usual toast had been honored the happy couple left for Toowoomba on their honeymoon. Their future home will be at Leyburn.

Amelia Irene was born to Margaret McLeod née Smith on 30 November 1889. I do not have contact with any descendants of Irene and George. There were two girls, Lilian Eileen b. 8 August 1912/C015099) – called Lily? On 17 December 1936 she married William James Hearne, and she died in Brisbane on 27 June 1972, according to Qld BDMs.

Rita b. 13 July 1914 /C015840) – baptised Leyburn Roman Catholic Church. She is not noted in the Leyburn school register, however. She would have been only seven weeks old when her father died. Check Warwick East State School. See *The Leyburn Story* also for Leyburn school registrations. Rita married Norman Harold Simpson on 15 September 1934 in Brisbane, and she died 15 Feb 1999 according to Ancestry Public Trees.

Their mother later married in 1928 Percy Allbon, who was also a Warwick boy. Amelia Irene was buried as Allbon in the Hemmant Cemetery, Brisbane on 8 August 1974.

For the purposes of elimination of extended Caton members with the name of George, William Caton's half-brother, John, b. 1860 (grandfather of actor Michael Caton) of Isisford, named one of his sons George also. Another of William's half-brothers, James b 1862 Timbarra, of Acacia Creek and Killarney, also named one of his sons George, so the dynasty is very confusing on occasions.

See *The Queenslander*, 5 Nov 1887, p. 738, Letter to the Editor where Albert Doro was a shepherd at Nundubbermere, just outside Stanthorpe. The younger Catons lived for a time in that area. Albert William Doro and Georgina Nelson married 17 December 1890 at the Parsonage at Stanthorpe according to certified copy of marriage. I still wonder after whom Georgina was named. Their children were:

Henry Albert b 1892; d 1917 – buried Drayton & Toowoomba Cemetery; headstone photo on TRC website.
 Emma Georgina – eldest daughter, m. Christian Butler 9 Nov 1926 *The Queenslander* 11 Dec 1926
 Matilda Martha – married Christian's cousin? Herbert Butler 1926 ; d 1968 Qld
 George William b. 1897; d. 1976 B72958
 Edward Robert b. 1900; died 1969.

Henry Albert Doro carries the mother's name Georgina Caton on his death registration. What may be the connection, one asks? Is there any chance that Georgina was the child of an Agnes Gallagher but fostered by the Caton family for a time? A check has not been done of Leyburn and Stanthorpe school records for Nelson or Gallagher. Georgina's death registration, 10 October 1944 C5436, indicates a father Edward Nelson and mother Agnes Gallagher. I am still having difficulty in isolating which Edward Nelson or for that matter, which Agnes.

In the *Warwick Daily News (Qld. : 1919 -1954)*,
Wednesday 10 October 1945, page 4 can be found the following:

IN MEMORIAM

DORO:- In loving memory of my dear wife,
 Georgina Doro, who passed away on October 10,
 1944.

In lonely hours of night,
 When sleep forsakes my eyes,
 My thoughts are in the grave,
 Where my darling wife lies.
 Inserted by her loving husband, Alf.

DORO: In loving memory of our dear mother,
 mother-in-law and Grandma, who passed away
 October 10, 1944.

A tender chord of memory
 Is sadly touched to-day,
 Our thoughts of you, dear mother,
 Will never fade away.
 Inserted by her loving daughter Emma, Christy,
 Mavis and Rita.

DORO: In loving memory-of my mother, mother-in-law, and our grandmother, Georgina Doro, who passed away on October 10, 1944.
 Sadly missed. Inserted by George, Ivy and family.

So, in company with others, I share the curiosity about the Doro connection to the George Caton in my focus. My great uncle George was the son of a general labourer, who was later a dairy farmer. The Doros were into sheep raising and wool. No doubt Doro descendants are perhaps also asking who Georgina really was. It was very common in this era for children to be adopted into families when their parents had died or were unavailable. Mary Caton nee Russell must herself have been raised by women unknown, for she was only a five-year-old girl when her mother

Catherine died suddenly in Warwick on 11 February 1861 from a rupture of a blood vessel of the lungs, according to her death certificate. Perhaps Mary in turn cared for Georgina at some point in the latter's youth. Strange, though, that my grandfather James William Caton made absolutely no mention to his children of Georgina ever growing up in the Caton family. The brick wall remains unless Georgina passed down to her own children the actual story of her early childhood.

In summary- from extensive research so far, I have failed to discover how it is that the Georgina Nelson who married Albert William Doro 1890/C1989 was a Caton. I can find no birth registration for a Georgina Caton, Nelson or Gallagher from 1872-1875. Perhaps other entries have become available in the past few years. Who really were Edward Nelson and Agnes Gallagher? I wonder who can solve this mystery.

My sources: Qld BDMs, NSW BDMs, Brisbane City Council gravefinder, Toowoomba Regional Council deceased search, personal anecdotes handed down from the family of James William Caton and Cordelia Kirby, *The Leyburn Story* published by the Leyburn State School, Ancestry public trees, many Trove digitised newspapers from the National Library, Doro certificates kindly supplied by a descendant, and my own extensive Caton research, including the purchase of many transcriptions of the subjects mentioned.

Saturday Morning Discussion Group - Upcoming topics for the remainder of 2024.

July: Transcribing Documents - Handwriting problems and Where did they go? - disappearing relatives

August: American Wars -World Wide Effect

September: New Zealand Research and Dissenters - A break from the Established Church

October: DNA - next steps and Copyright

November: Australian Military Records and Show and Tell

HOW MANY DEGREES OF SEPERATION

Contributed by Jan Ward

It was Wednesday 26 July 1922. The weather was dull and cloudy but in spite of the inclement weather the one-day Crows Nest Show was a success. As well as carloads of people from Toowoomba and surrounding district a special train had left Toowoomba at just after eight o'clock that morning picking up passengers at various stops along its route. The show ran smoothly with an unusually large number of sideshows and the ring events, ran a little late and it was very cold by the time they finished" as was reported in the Toowoomba Chronicle the following day.

The ladies of St Matthew's catered for the official luncheon. Among the participants at this luncheon were committee members Owen Williams, William Stark and Fred Meibusch while Fred's wife Georgina was among the church ladies helping with the serving. Fred was to become secretary the following year for a short term prior to his death in May 1924. The judges were also lunch guests and among them was W C Krimmer, judge of the swine or pig section of the show. He was the manager of the KR bacon factory. We can assume that these men talked about the show, the weather and other topics over lunch.

Certainly, Fred Meibusch would have been happy: his sons had exhibited a pair of capons which were reported the Chronicle the next day "as rarely seen at any show".

In Brisbane in the 1960s four descendants of these men met in Brisbane. Jan and Bruce Meibusch were living in Brisbane. Jan was at Teachers' College and Bruce was a medical student. They are the grandchildren of Fred and Georgina Meibusch. Judy Krimmer, granddaughter of Bill Krimmer, and Bob Ward, great nephew of Owen Williams and William Stark, both came to Brisbane to study veterinary science. The four young people met with the result that two marriages took place: Jan Meibusch married Bob Ward and Judy Krimmer married Bruce Meibusch.

At that 1922 Show day Luncheon the four men sitting chatting had no idea that decades later they would be related by marriage.

Why should I use multiple records in my research?

We moved into our current address in September 1988, after arriving in Toowoomba in March 1986. During this time we lived in two other rental houses and when the opportunity arose for us to buy a home we starting looking. We found a possibility in the Toowoomba Chronicle and phoned the agent the next day arranging to inspect the house. As my mother had recently moved to Toowoomba to be closer to both my brother in Brisbane and me, the house that we were going to inspect had been turned into two flats, which was suitable as it allowed my mother to have her own space.

After I started doing my family history in 1998, I became interested in who owned or indeed lived in our house prior to us. I know it was built during the 1920s and I know whom we bought it from. Being new to family history research I had no idea how to go about doing this so it was placed firmly in the too hard basket. I didn't know then that I could have gone along to the Lands Department and bought a printout.

It wasn't until Marie and her volunteers started scanning the rates films kindly loaned to us by The Toowoomba City Council's Local History room at the library, that my interest in our home's history resurfaced. I now have information on who owned and occupied our house from 1930 until the mid 1950s. I can follow them on electoral rolls to see where they were before and after they occupied this house. I can also now get a feel of the neighbourhood and information on other families close by. To my knowledge there has always been a corner shop nearly opposite our house (we are the second house from a corner). Adding in the school records mentioned in an earlier Journal will give more information as well.

Below – Clipping taken from *Toowoomba City Council Rates cards*.

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Below – Clipping taken from *1925 Wise's Directory* to correspond with some details transcribed.

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..... Albert lane
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Martha Taylor, intra)
Krimmer W C
..... Warra st
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Roughhead Eben
Irvine Miss Edith
Gayler Chas
Gaydon Jno
Higgins Arth. Smith
Levitt Mrs Fanny, Boyanup
Harold Mrs Herbert
Dewar Peter
Bond Geo
Lau John
Watson Miss Agnes T
Cred William H
Webb Fredk W
Carter James
Hilsdon Mrs W H
Dunsdon Mrs E M

Using the Toowoomba rates starting from 1930 I was able to add numbers and combined the two facts together. Unfortunately we hold very few pieces of information relating to rates elsewhere. The State Archives at Runcorn may hold your town or city in Queensland. I have found the Charters Towers rates and when I get time I will be returning to continue transcribing the street that my parents were living at when I was born through to when I married.

I have a long way to go but it will be worth it in the end. I've found two hospitals and a house fire in the small amount of time and research that I have started. This is also a good time to mention maps. We have a good selection at the rooms for our district.

Combining many of our resources, Electoral Rolls, Post Office Directories, Telephone Books and the newest item the Toowoomba City Council Rates will give me many more hours of research before I will know the history behind the development of the street in which I live. Of course, I cannot forget the roll of newspapers while researching.

The following is a sample of the spreadsheet timeline for the left hand side of the street in a westerly direction.

#	1922 Wise Directory	1925 Wise Directory	1928 Wise Directory	1930 Rates
156	W Irvine - possibly	Jno E Page, Passchendaele	Jno E Page, Passchendaele	John Edmond and Mary Page (occ) (owner)
158	Ed Roughend	Eben Roughend		Thos D and Kathleen Follington (occ) (Owner)
160		Miss Edith Irvine		Edith Love Irvine (owner) (occ)
162	Chas Gayler	Chas Gayler	Chas Gayler	Caroline Gaylor (occ) wife of Chas Gaylor (Public curator mortgagee) (owner)
162A				starts 29/9/1941
164	Jno Gaydon	Jno Gaydon	Archdeacon W P Glover	Archdeacon Glover (occ) The Corporation of the Synod of the Diocese of Brisbane (Owner)
164A				starts 1944
166	Arth Higgins, smith	Arth Higgins, smith		Arthur Edward Higgins (occ) (owner)
168			Arth Higgins, smith	Clementina Eva Higgins/Francis Arthur Higgins (occ) from 1938
170	Wm McAuliffe - possibly	Mrs Fanny Levitt, Boyanup	Mrs Fanny Levitt, Boyanup	Arthur Rochard Beckey (Occ) (owner)
172	Mrs Herbert Harold	Mrs Herbert Harold	Mrs Herbert Harold	Percy Charles Harold (Railway Syn, Murphys Creek) (occ) (owner)
174		Peter Dewar	Peter Dewar	Peter & Margaret Smith Dewar (occ) (owner)
176		Geo Bond	James P Garrett	James Patrick Garret (occ) (owner) Traffic Sect, Railway, Tmba
178		Johan Lau		Miss Mary Jane McIntyre c/- T W McIntyre, Russell Street (occ) (owner)
180	Miss Agnes T Watson	Miss Agnes T Watson	Miss Agnes T Watson	Miss Agnes Tait Watson, "Mayfield" (owner) (occ)
182				starts 10/11/48

So far I have pieced together a patchwork of information and placed it firmly into a time line, starting with the Post Office Directories, town section, as this gives the names of those who were living in the street, stating between which streets and on which side they lived. We must remind ourselves that not everyone was fortunate enough to have their ancestors' names found in these directories as a small fee was paid to include your name.

I have uncovered a music teacher, Miss May Lillian Laura Butterworth whose residence would have been located directly opposite where I now live. Also we have a Mr Joseph Arthur Lightbrigade Bowtell then later Walter Joseph Lightbrigade Bowtell whose occupation was a fruiterer. Lastly another great name Hermann Heinrich Karl Vonhoff who was a police constable. Would you have liked to have these gentlemen in your family history?

Add in a coachbuilder, butcher, railway workers, compositor, motor mechanics, Smith and Sons shop, a Methodist Church and a smattering of surnames many would recognise and too many occupations to list here.

All of this is a good example - 'Not everything is online!' True researchers, or should I sticky beaks like me, want to know all we can about our ancestors lives including where they lived and who their neighbours may have been. Remember friends and neighbours may hold the key to getting past a block in your research.

These records are found on our computers under QUEENSLAND.

ELECTORAL ROLLS, P O DIRECTORIES ETC

Post Office Directories etc
Queensland (by electorate) Electoral Rolls
Queensland (whole) Electoral Rolls
Telephone Directories

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Next journal, I will look at Government, Police Gazettes and other Government records that we hold.

Kliese Family- three branches

Carl Friedrich Wilhelm Kliese (born 1/4/1823 Damberg, Prussia) and his wife Hanne Wilhelmina Kath known as Minnie (born 8/1/1824 Treptow, Germany) their three children Karl Friedrich Wilhem Kliese (born 15/11/1848 Drawsko, Poland), Karl's wife Louisa Sabine Therese Kohls known as Therese (born 19/6/1846 Bärenwalde Prussia), Henriette Luise Bertha Kliese known as Bertha (born 20/2/1852 Weimberg, Prussia) and Siegfried Wilhelm Kliese (16/6/1849 Weimberg, Prussia). There was also a younger son Carl Siegfried Theodore Kliese born 18/1/1859 Weimberg and died on the 25/6/1862 long before the family moved to Australia. The second son Siegfried died on the trip over on the boat from Inflammation of the lungs, he was 24 years of age. The family trip also included three children Bertha's illegitimate daughter Augusta Wilhelmine Emily Kliese/ Klyzee (born 24/8/1868 Weimberg, Prussia), Therese illegitimate daughter Auguste Kohl (1864 Bärenwalde Prussia) and Karl and Therese's son Hermann Friedrich Wilhelm Kliese (25/12/1867 Bärenwalde Prussia).

Carl Senior was listed as a Tenant (1852), Einlieger (1862) - Lived in vineyards 1852, Pielburg, Germany 1862. Einlieger is an agricultural worker without real estate or permanent residence, who lives with a farmer.

Definition: At the beginning of the twentieth century, Einlieger still described someone who does not own his own house and who therefore lives in the house. The term came about through landless farm workers who rented and worked for farmers.

Definition of Einlieger in the German dictionary Agricultural worker, craftsman without real estate and without permanent residence, who lives with a farmer, on a good for rent tenant of a lodger flat.

The family sailed from Hamburg on the *Eugenie* and arrived in Rockhampton on the 30th October 1873. The trip was very trying considering they lost their son on the way and then checking through the arrival records Siegfried does not even rate a mention and would have been buried at sea. The following article is from the Rockhampton newspaper:

Northern Argus (Rockhampton, Qld) Saturday 20 December 1873, page 4

It has transpired that some of the Germans by the Hamburg ship, *Eugenie*, were of a class which could not have passed muster had there been a thorough system of inspection at the port of departure. We understand that some of the *Eugenie*'s immigrants were not only undersized and of delicate physique, but also of such an age as to be wholly ineligible for emigration purposes. We presume that as the Prussian Government have prohibited the emigration of able-bodied Germans, we shall in future have either to accept puny and sickly immigrants or look to other European countries for our supplies. It may be hoped, however, that the German Government will yet be induced to rescind their prohibition, as it will only tend to make emigration more popular among the mass of the population. This is an age of freedom, and it is rather too late in the day for any Government to prevent their subjects from finding the best market for their labour and capital.

Henriette known as Bertha married Hermann Jacob Jensen known as Jacob Herman Jensen was born on 17 Jun 1848 in Læsø, Storstrom, Denmark. They met on the ship on the way to Australia, Hermann was a crew member and Bertha a passenger. The family story is Hermann was due to sail onto Africa but jumped overboard with two other sailors and swam up the river to be with his new love. After arriving in Australia on the 30/10/1873 they were married on the 1/1/1874 and their first of eleven children Herman Charles Jensen was born on the 3/11/1874 in Rockhampton.

Carl Senior was employed at the Railway in Rockhampton for a time we believe until Bertha had her child in the November of 1874 before travelling down to the Darling Downs and to Meringandan area. There were already related families settled on the Downs, the Kath's and Rehbein's both sides of Minnie's family. With the school records for Meringandan lost for the next few years Hermann who arrived at the age of 5 is now nine and attending Highfields school in 1877.

Carl Senior signed up property under the 'Crown Land Alienation Act of 1876' in 1882 at Gowrie Scrub, Meringandan. The first year's rent was 4 pounds and 19 shillings. Sadly, four years later Carl Senior died without a Will and for some strange reason had completed all the land agreement documents under the name of Kleasa not Kliese. As you can imagine this was a huge drama and required his two sons in law to declare that Minnie was his wife and rightful recipient of his property. Minnie could not speak any English and the son in laws came in very hand for translation.

Other family members cousins to Hermann Friedrich Wilhelm Kliese arrived in Australia and Albert Eduard Wilhelm Kliese arrived in Australia on the *Dorunda*, a coal fired steamer which also had three sailing masts, it left

Gravesend on the Thames downstream from London on 7/4/1886 and travelled via Suez Canal around top of Australia and down the Queensland coast to Brisbane arriving 2/6/1886. Albert selected 160 acres of land at Bergen portion 31V, parish of Goombungee married Gertrud Anna Pfeiffer on the 12/11/1888 when he was 25 and she was 18. They went on to have 15 children. Some of the families the children married into are Klein, Spies, Vohland, Barron, Wolff, Brose, Griffin, Brown, Kowitz, Caust, Ehrlich x 2 and Linke.

Extract from *More Pioneers in Petticoats* Chapter 5 and photo from same section page 131

In Toowoomba Albert met Gertrude, who was a working girl, and fell in love with her. Albert set off to work his piece of land. It was heavily timbered so he cut and built a slab hut with a detached kitchen and a dirt floor. He put up a fence and built a yard and a bail and made a three-legged stool to sit on to milk the cows. He cut a kerosene tin open to use as a bucket and when the cream set on top of the milk he skimmed it off to make butter. The cream was put into a syrup billy with the lid tightly put on, then shaken until it turned to butter. The buttermilk was used to make dampers or schrables (German name for scones). When he had everything read he set off to Toowoomba to marry Gertrude. Albert had bought a sulky and harness from the blacksmith in Toowoomba and after collecting Gertrudes ports and boxes, plus the supplies that were needed, they set off to the Bergen property. Albert needed to make a second trip as they were limited with room on the sulky. Now Gertrude was not a country girl. She had never heard a dingo howl, nor an owl calling, nor was she used to hearing wallabies hopping around outside. So, Gertrude was left alone on her wedding night. She closed up everything she could and was absolutely terrified. She was so very glad next afternoon when Albert arrived back after the longest day and the worst night she had ever spent! Albert later provided land to build the Bergen school for his children as well as the now building community around them. The Bergen school opened on the 3/8/1896. Albert also assisted with the Peranga school when he moved to this area of the Darling Downs.

Returning to Carl Senior Kliese's, his son Karl and Therese had signed up for a property near Meringandan and their son Hermann had also bought property at Bergen, (also known as Bergenside and Neuve). Hermann's property was alongside Albert Kliese's property 34V in 1888 at Bergen. This close alignment meant my family decided to spell our names slightly different due to the constant mix up in the mail making the change from Kliese to Klease ironically the two witnesses to the document still spelt the surname incorrectly listed the name as Klise.



The Kliese family, or most of them, in 1928. (Surname Kliese unless otherwise named.) Back row: Jacob, Lena, Alex, Robert, Sam, John Ehrlich, Eddie, Harry. Second row: Minney Barron, Peter, Lily Ehrlich, Ruby, Otilia, Charlie. Third row: Edna, Emma, little Lorna Barron peeping around Les Barron, Gertrude Kliese, Thelma, Albert Kliese, Sylvia with her mother Kate, who is holding baby Mervin. Front row: Albert and Joan (Alick & Lena's) and Esme (Charlie & Kate's). (Three-year-old Mavis Barron was left sleeping in the house when the photo was taken.)

Hermann's older child Wilhelm (William) was getting married and therefore wanting all the documents to be correct after the Will debacle with his great grandfather. Wilhelm changed his name formally and the rest of the family followed along from that day forward.

Hermann Friedrich Wilhelm Kliese married Marie Louise Wilhelmine Reinke (born 29/1/1870 Schwaneberg, Germany) on the 19/12/1889 he was 21 years old and Mary was 19. Mary's parents were Carl Friedrich Wilhelm Reinke 25/9/1827 – 3/8/1909 and Luisa Wilhelmina Krätzmann 1830- 12/3/1900. Mary was the last of eleven children. Hermann and Mary had eleven children.

Some of the family names linked to this family are:- Schubert, Kuhnemann, Zuehlke, Weise, Webb, Kajewski, Kliese x 2, Fick, Höhns, and Klein. (Just the first generation)

Wilhelm Hermann (William) Klease 15/7/1890 - 16/4/1974 married Florence Susan Faithful.

Walter Adolph Klease 24/3/1892 - 6/7/1962 married Henrietta Louisa Nöske.

Friedrich Carl Klease 12/4/1894 – 20/8/1970 married Otilie Alwyn Nöske.

Martha Theresa Klease 25/12/1895 – 2/10/1897 married Frederick Richter.

George (Tom) Klease 20/9/1897 – 20/3/1961 married Emma Bertha Nöske and then had another 7 children with Evelyn Mary King (never married).

Richard Herbert Klease 21/3/1900 – 25/11/1969 married Gladys May Ellis.

Percy Klease 26/10/1903 – 1/8/1963 married Elsie Briese (adopted Elsie's twin brother's son)

John (Jack) Klease alias Jack Johnson 17/7/1905- 12/1/1969 married Veronica Pearl Cavanagh, Jack had a child at 17 and had to pay maintenance for a number of years. After a divorce for desertion from Veronica, he married Madge Eileen

Cantwell and had another 3 children under his new name. Veronica adopted her niece after she was left orphaned when her father Eric Leslie Jones killed her mother Veronica's sister Rita.

Hermann Henry Klease 6/8/1907 – 25/11/1969 married Edna Caroline Richter and then had another 3 children with Violet Nothdurft.

Mabel Mary Klease 17/10/1911 – 25/7/1979 married Spencer Ray McFarlane.

Eric David Klease 15/4/1913 – 28/6/1983 married Beris Mary Phyllis (Mary) Gleeson.

Note:- Carl Kliese senior's Family branch had hereditary haemorrhagic telangiectasia (HHT) and this rare blood disease was passed down through the generations affecting approximately 1 in 5,000 people. Also known as Osler-Weber-Rendu disease. It appears from the three family branches Carl was the only carrier.

Hermann and Mary spent many happy years at Bergen/ Bergenside and raised their family on a farm that produced every product you would need during those times. They had butter, cheeses and a smoke house to produce all the small goods includes sausages and wursts they would have enjoyed in Germany. They also produced their own gin and wine and grew the grapes and fruit in their orchard. Hermann was very interested in the community and along with his father-in-law they worked with the local Council members to ensure the water supply and road were built for the community. When Hermann got a new Ford he would help out his family and neighbours with lifts to hospital or to meet the ambulance. (see notice from the paper after the photos). When Hermann died he had shares in the Darling Downs Cooperative Dairy Association Limited, Darling Downs Cooperative Bacon Company Limited also in the Primary Produces Bank of Australia Limited.



Karl Friedrich Wilhelm Kliese and his wife Louisa Therese Sabina Kohls. About the time they arrived in Australia.

Toowoomba Chronicle and Darling Downs Gazette (Qld.: 1922-1933)/Wed 18 Jul 1923/Page 3/NEUVE

Mr Herman Klease since getting his new Ford car has been doing yeoman service in taking patients to hospital or to meet the Ambulance en route, thus saving them the whole journey out and expediting the conveyance of the patients. It is an exemplary and praise-worthy action on Mr. Klease's part, but he was always a great admirer of the Ambulance and their motto "Really Always" and reverently looks upon such kindly deeds as duties to humanity requiring no reward but more encouragement.



Kliese/Kleese family with the eldest William already married and the youngest Eric not yet born.

Another branch of the Kliese family arrived in Brisbane, Australia in 1878 again leaving from Hamburg on the ship *Lamershagen*.

Carl Ludwig August (August) Klieser Kliese was born on 3 /8 1842 in Bernau, Germany and married Wilhelmina Mafke and they had two children together. He then married Caroline Wilhelmine (Wilhelmine) Wagner and they had eight children together. They settled in Nundah (German Town) and their fifth child was born in Brisbane. August died on 30 May 1939 in Brisbane, Queensland, at the age of 96, and was buried there. August was listed as a weaver on his daughter's marriage certificate but diversified his skills when he arrived. August's children were boat builders and have a street in Toorbul, Brisbane in their name's sake. August fought in the Franco Prussian war and received his medals in Australia. Newspaper article below.

EMPEROR WILLIAM COMMEMORATION MEDALS. Herr von Ploennies, acting German Consul in Brisbane, has just received a number of commemoration medals from the Imperial German Government. They are for distribution in Queensland and are part of many thousands which are being distributed throughout the world, among all the old veterans still living, who took part in the Franco-Prussian War of 1870-71. The following is a list of those included in the first distribution, as published in the "Queensland Herald" :- Karl F. Arndt, Yeronga. Wm. Alltmann, Marburg. F. W. Backmann, Brisbane. John Bestmann, Brisbane. A. F. Beutel, Beenleigh. F. Bruggemann, Nundah. H. Diecing, Marburg. Karl Engel, Brisbane. Karl F. Freiberg, Hoya. H. Heeschen, Brisbane. A. Hornung, Brisbane. F. Janke, Lowood. John Fordin, Maryborough. M. F. Karl, Hoya. August Kliese, Nundah. He served in the Franco / Prussian war FRANCO - PRUSSIAN WAR 1870 July

Contributed by Fenella Gesch nee Klease

My Cardinal Rule - NEVER ASSUME

Researched and written by Karen Rowe

I thought I had learnt, by trial and error, the perils and pitfalls while researching my family history. That is, until I undertook the project of finding every soldier or nurse who were connected to Toowoomba and who enlisted during World War 1; nearly 8000 individuals. I started this project over ten years ago and I know it will never be completed.

I have discovered that in fact I am still learning by the very same method. I have heard many times – “The name can’t be spelt like that. The family always spelt it this way.” “I know they were born then; that’s what my mother always said.” “My grandma would NEVER have had children BEFORE her marriage.” Oh, and of course, “My ancestors would never lie.” For those who still persist in these beliefs, I hope the following gives you just a small measure of realism. Unfortunately, even grandma was human. People were flexible with the truth.

When I started this project, the first website I looked at was the National Archives of Australia. I entered Toowoomba as a place of birth and then place of enlistment and came up with thousands of names. While researching these names I found many inconsistencies, errors and just plain lies, or perhaps I should say untruths, because they may not have realised they were lying while giving information. Sometimes the answers they gave were what they BELIEVED to be the truth or a degree away from the truth. Researching had become, if not easier, then perhaps simpler in that we now have wonderful indexes and resources on many websites but I must thank Marie and her helpers’ persistence with various indexing projects that we now have on our computers.

I give you one **Solomon Khan BYRON/Solomon Khan KAUS/James Patick KAUS/James Patrick SMITH**

The following is how I discovered who he was and his enlistments in WW1. I apologise in advance if the information offends anyone, but I must tell his desertion from the army and his redemption for his mistakes for you to understand how I found him.

The NAA gave the following: Kaus James Patrick Q4119 Born: Toowoomba Enlisted: Brisbane NOK: Mother Emily Kaus. With a surname such as this it should have been easy. Think again. I looked at his dossier and became very confused. I decided to do a timeline (from his digital dossier) to try to make sense of all this information I had found. Later I decided to include anything that I could find about his life before WW1.

On 16 August 1915 he enlisted under the name E.G. GUY. Information for E.G. Guy’s papers was taken by a Corporal Gordon of the 9th Rfts 9th Batt on 24 August 1915. No WW1 dossier has been found for this person.

In his second enlistment dossier, James Kaus’ mother Emily gave her permission on 20 September 1915 for him to enlist. He signed his Attestation paper on 13 October 1915 at Frasers Hill. He listed his mother Emily Kaus of William Street, Toowoomba as his next of kin. Stating he was 19 years of age (he was actually 17 years of age: reference 1), a farmer who had been born in Victoria, his religion was Roman Catholic and he was 5ft 4 ½ ins tall with dark complexion, brown eyes and dark brown hair. A notation on his form was “Already enlisted under name Harold George Guy in November 1915.” He had a circular scar or burn inner side right calf. He was placed into the 11th Reinforcements, 15th Battalion. The papers were signed by Lieutenant E.M. Nolan, attesting officer and the army urgently needed the papers re: E.G. Guy on 14 October but a note dated 15 October 1915 by the Army stated they were unable to find confirmation of this. He was then transferred and given the number 3313 on 20 October to .. ? (nothing written).

A telegram from J.P. Kaus (Helidon station) saying “my mother very ill wish ask leave few days Reply Paid” was sent to headquarters on 6 December 1915. A note from Captain David Horn, Toowoomba (8 December) stated that Mrs Kause has been in poor health and her son has remained in Toowoomba as a result. He was back at camp when on 11 December 1915 he was charged with being A.W.O.L and using insulting language to an N.C.O. while with C Company No.8 D.B. Why he was charged with being A.W.O.L. I am at a loss, as he was granted a few days leave five days beforehand.

On a Statement of service on 4 January 1916 he was with the 8 D BN (8th Depot Battalion). He was charged with being a deserter from 21 March (this date was struck through) then the dates given were 13 October 1915 to 4 January 1916. These dates are very confusing, as many overlap with each other. I’m sure this was the case in many things during the war, as they didn’t have instant access as we do today. James Patrick Kaus has been absent without leave for 26 days and was deficient of kit to the value of £6-3-8 was the Court finding on 31 January 1916. A warrant was issued on 7 March for being A.W.O.L. since 4 January. Three days later he was struck of the roll. Information overload yet? Get ready for round three of this resourceful person.

On the 20 March 1916 his mother Mrs Emily Kaus and his brother Mr B. Kaus signed a note giving their permission for James Patrick Kaus to serve resulting in his enlistment in Brisbane on 21 March. Next of kin was still listed as

his mother Emily Kaus, William Street, Toowoomba. Aged 21 years 2 months and born Toowoomba his occupation was stated as a farmer. Previous service given was 2 years with senior cadets at Nanango and six months with Citizen Forces. He was 5' 5" tall, 125 lbs, dark complexion, brown eyes and black hair. He had scars on the back of his right hand and both thighs. Noted is the fact that no attesting officer signed the paper, but the medical officer who examined him did sign. Once again, no signature from the commanding officer on this page. Slight difference in personal information.

On 25 March a letter was written by the Adjutant of No.11 D. B. stating James Patrick Kaus was charged with making a false answer on attestation on 21 March i.e. stating he had given the whole of his previous service. The next day he escaped from the guard at Enoggera. A Court of Enquiry was convened into the absence of James Patrick Kaus on 6 April. An entry on his service record was made on 12 April saying he had been A.W.O.L since 6 April. Another entry on 14 May noted that Kaus, being a deserter again, was being struck off a second time. During these dates, he was A.W.O.L. for 4 days from 4 December to 6 December 1915 and 4 days between 10 December and 14 December 1915. This is where his dossier ends. What happened to our James Patrick Kaus you may wonder. Confused yet?

I was thinking I could learn ALL I needed to know from his digital dossier at the NAA. Big mistake. I was under the (wrong) assumption that someone who was enlisting to fight for his Country would NEVER lie. Another big mistake.

Searching Queensland BDMS I found the surname KAUS and KAUSE. No James Patrick. Where do I go from there? I was doing this research 'blind'. i.e. knowing nothing of these soldiers I was exploring. After unfruitful searching, Sue Fraser who has been my right hand person through all of this just happened to say, "Maybe he changed his name to Smith". Just a throw away remark. No, couldn't be possible, but.....

I sometimes forget about our indexes on the computers. Now I know why our President keeps reminding us about our indexes. I had a bright idea. Look at the Darling Downs Gazette Newspaper index. Why didn't I think of that before? I found entries for James or Jim Kaus, all to do with his death. But his digital dossier NEVER mentioned him dying never mind even serving overseas. He had deserted. Hadn't he? It was plainly written in black and white.



SERGEANT J.P. KAUS

Youngest son of Mrs. E. Kaus, William-street, Toowoomba, wounded at the Dardanelles; now in the firing line once more; somewhere in France. *Toowoomba Chronicle* 11 May 1917, p.5 c.3 (both brothers photos also)

The sad news was conveyed to Mrs E. Kaus, William-street, yesterday, by the Very Rev. Monsignor Fouhy, that her young soldier son Corporal James ("Jim") Kaus, was killed in action on October 13, 1917. He was one of three brothers at the front. *Darling Downs Gazette* 24 November 1917, p.4 c.6

KILLED IN ACTION

CORPORAL JAMES KAUS

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His fourth enlistment.

I searched the Australian War Memorial for soldiers who died on 12 October 1917 and came up with the name James Patrick Smith. After finding the given number for James Patrick Smith, I then found his dossier. The National Archives lists Smith James Patrick: SERN 1912: POB Cheshire England: POE Goulburn NSW: NOK M Smith Emily. Mm ... Place of birth given as Cheshire, England. His mother was Emily Smith. Looks like he went to extensive lengths to enlist once more. Was he was trying to hide his indiscretions? He definitely wanted to enlist, but why? He certainly didn't like army life, as was found with his various excursions without permission. What changed his attitude? Alas, we will never know.

On 30 March 1916 he applied to enlist giving his postal address as Yangan via Warwick, Queensland and stating he had no relations. An Attestation paper was signed on 4 April where he stated to be 21 years and 2 months and born in Cheshire, England. He had served with the Wilshire Forces for 12 months and 2 years as Corporal with Morgan ?. His attestation was taken at Goulburn, New South Wales and his next of kin was his mother Mrs Emily Smith, Stanley Street, South Brisbane, Queensland. He was 5ft 4½ ins tall, had a dark complexion, brown eyes and dark brown hair. He was Roman Catholic. He had several Keloidal scars behind both knees. From Goulburn he was

transferred to Rutherford Camp. He must have fled to New South Wales as soon as he escaped from Enoggera. While training at Rutherford Camp he was promoted to acting Corporal on 10 September, but alas he was back to doing wrong when the following day he was reduced in ranks for criminal assault. The dates given are when the information was received by the Army. No further action seems to have been taken.

He was already on board sailing overseas by the time the above had reached Head Army Office. He had embarked 4 September 1916 from Sydney on board HMAT *Port Sydney* A15 with the 9th Infantry Brigade, 35th Infantry Battalion, 2nd Reinforcements. After arriving in England he was sent to the front. He was admitted to hospital (I would presume in a field hospital) with Epilepsy. (26 May 1917) He was released 1 June and sent back to the front where he was killed on 12 October 1917. I wonder why he wasn't medically discharged for having Epilepsy. I suppose they needed every man they could find so overlooked certain medical conditions.

Queensland Death Indexes lists James Patrick Smith dying on 12 October 1917, with no parents registered. It is interesting that in most cases, the death of a soldier during World War 1 was only registered if they enlisted in Queensland. Why he was registered is unknown, as he enlisted in New South Wales.

There is much more to his story, which will never be told. I am not trying to shame his memory or his family by writing this article. I am trying to inform those who still believe that our ancestors were honest, law abiding, church going Christians who never uttered incorrect information that they should not believe everything that family lore dictates. Be realistic. They gossiped, told untruths and believed what they read in newspapers. (As many of us still do today.) Propaganda is a powerful weapon when unrest is present in any country. During this time, World War 1, wariness of your neighbour whom you may have known for years could abound. Never before noticing that their skin may be darker than yours or they spoke slightly different. You suddenly looked at your friends in a different way. Even though the War was thousands of miles away, people were preparing, 'just in case', the war came to Australia as it did in World War 2.

In memory of all of those who served and gave their lives in any war that Australia has been involved in.

Corporal James Patrick Smith redeemed himself and is a fallen hero. Rest in peace young man.

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If only these walls could talk

How often have we heard the saying ‘If only these walls could talk’, what a tale could be told.



Many of Toowoomba’s grand old homes are long gone, with only a few photographs and the written word to show they existed. However, some of these grand dames are still standing their use morphing to flats, boutique hotels, function centres, and some of them are still private family residences. Gabbinbar and Vacy hall, to name two old dames, are heritage listed hopefully, ensuring their future from demolition.

One hundred and fifty-eight years after construction a fortunate grand lady still stands in her original position at 14 Herries Street. In 1863 crown land was opened for purchase in Toowoomba. The Reverend William Thomas

Harte purchased allotments 11 and 12 adjoining each other on the Corner of Herries and Curzon Streets in East Toowoomba.

Strategically located close to the toll bar this was a smart purchase. Three years later in 1866 Rev. Harte built a house for his wife Eliza Anne Johnstone on the site. The home was constructed from brick and is best described as an early colonial home. Possessing four rooms, three with fireplaces, it was a large home.

In 1866 bricks were mostly made on the properties where clay was present, and kilns were built on site. At this time four German men were operating a Brickworks from John Oelker’s paddock in Hume Street where good clay was plentiful.

The solid brick construction helped ensure the longevity of the residence. Towns become cities and their infrastructure changes. So too can the reasons a house becomes a home.

The Rev. Harte moved to Brisbane in 1869 and sold the property to Victor Carpendale, Walter and William Vanneck. The residence became known as ‘Walterton’. The next owners: Jessie Carpendale, the von Steiglitz and Prove (Proeve) families. ‘Walterton’ was purchased for its proximity to The Toowoomba Grammar School. The home retained the name of ‘Walterton’ whilst occupied by these families.

In 1928 Alexander Ellis purchased the property and it was then home to him, his wife, Eva and their daughters. The street number of 14 appears for the first time in records in 1943. Alexander Ellis is still the owner, however, the council rates have note stating Hilda Mabel Blinco as paying the rates.

Hilda, a daughter of Alexander and Eva, married Alfred Thomas Victor Blinco on 6 April 1932. Hilda and Victor Blinco continued to live at 14 Herries Street and started their family there. When Alexander passed away the home was left to Hilda. The 1940’s created some very tough economic times and the Blinco’s converted the home to two flats.

The second unit was rented to Herbert and Myra Anderson. In 1954 Hilda and Victor purchased a home in South Street and sold the units to the Andersons. In 1960 the Anderson’s did further renovations to the residence and it became four flats.

When the Anderson’s sold 14 Herries Street in the mid 1960’s the new owners were graziers Michael ‘Mick’ and Daphne Roche. By this time the units were very popular with nurses due to the proximity to St Vincent’s Hospital. Nurse, Mary Teresa Noonan, resided there for the longest time – over 40 years in fact.

The ownership of the property passed into those of a corporation after Mick and Daphne sold it and today is home to four households.

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Sarah Jane Murray
A Woman Worth Knowing



Sarah Jane Murray was a strong and prominent woman in the Drayton area in the early half of the 20th Century. She was born in Ipswich on 8 November 1870, the daughter of William Murray (1843-1875), a storekeeper in Ipswich and Catherine Patrick (1843-1932) of Patrick's Estate. After William's early death at an age of 32 years, Catherine married Frederick Springall in 1878 who would go on to be Mayor of Ipswich from 1914 to 1916.

Sarah was the eldest of three Murray children, the other two being boys, John and William. Sarah's father William died when she was four years old. They were living in Walloon, to the west of what is currently the RAAF Base at Amberley, at the time. Catherine had four daughters, Sarah's half-sisters, to Springall - Catherine, Hannah, Margaret and Clara.

Marriage

Information on how Sarah met her future husband, Richard Robert (Bob) Handley is sparse, but it was most likely through Sarah's mother's youngest sister, Mary, who lived in North Ipswich and was married to John Daniel Handley of Drayton. They lived their early married life in North Ipswich, later moving to Esk. Sarah's groom, Bob, was her Aunt Mary's husband's brother.

The wedding was held at St Thomas's Anglican Church in North Ipswich on 9 November 1892 and was a magnificent social occasion. He was an extremely eligible bachelor, a landowner from the Darling Downs. She was a popular member of 'one of the leading families of Ipswich'.



Paradise Farm

Sarah had just turned 22 when she married Bob. He was 25 and had recently inherited Paradise Farm in Drayton from his father, John, who had died the year before in 1891. Paradise Farm was the land at the southern end of West St in Toowoomba where UniSQ now stands. I have a copy of John's will - it is a convoluted document - but broadly his extensive land holdings in the Murphys Creek and Esk areas were left to his four eldest sons and Paradise Farm to Bob. Family history tells me it was conditional on him looking after his mum, Jane, after his death. She lasted another six years, living in a smaller cottage on the Farm.\

In the early days, Paradise Farm was a mixed agricultural business. I have seen mentions of sheep and beef cattle and a large grove of orange trees. But it seems that Bob's focus was on dairy. He was also an accomplished businessman, was instrumental in the establishment of the Downs Co-operative Factory in Toowoomba, brought in dairy genetics from the South Coast of NSW, and was a member of the Drayton and Toowoomba Agricultural and Horticultural Society. Bob was also prominent in local politics, working his way up to Chairman of the Drayton Shire Council and managing various political campaigns for prominent locals.

Unmentioned in my readings but almost certainly, Sarah would have been by his side in his family, business, and political activities. They were also strong supporters of the local Anglican Church, St Matthews in Drayton, which was built a few years before they settled as a married couple in Drayton.

Children

Sarah, as was the custom in those days where labour was needed to assist around the family farm or business, started having children straight away. First born was Robert (8 Sep 1893), then Daniel (23 Nov 1895), and William (1 May 1897). Three sons in less than four years would have been the ideal solution for a family on the land. An heir and two spares, but more importantly help in the fields as quickly as possible.

I like to think they consciously took a few years for Sarah to recover. Who knows, but I bet she was hoping for a girl to help around the home next. Four years elapsed before John - my grandfather - (31 Aug 1901) was born, then four more years later finally a daughter, Esther Sarah (16 Jul 1905) and then Hector Richard (13 Sep 1907) when Sarah was 36 years old.

During these 15 years or so, Sarah and Bob cemented themselves in as high achieving local figures. Paradise Farm was successful; the dairy prospered although the orange grove suffered drastically due to a fruit blight at some stage.

The children went to Drayton State School, leaving at roughly 14 or 15 to start work at home as was the expected practice.



Disaster at Home

In late-October 1909, life was to quickly take a turn for the worse for the Handleys though. James Taylor, a prominent Toowoomba businessman and close friend of Bob Handley's, became quite sick with typhoid. Bob, concerned for his friend, visited him number of times in his sick bed. Subsequently, Bob also became unwell which he initially fobbed off. Sadly, and inevitably he was forced into hospital. A few days later he succumbed to enteric (or typhoid) fever. He was 43.

Let's take stock of the family circumstances at the end of 1909. Sarah was 39. She had six children, the eldest Robert, was 16 and already assisting with the management of the farm; the youngest Hector, was 2. Bob's mother Jane, who had lived with them on Paradise Farm had died in 1897, so Sarah was alone with the task of raising six children and managing the continuing success of the farm that was providing their livelihood.

She was certainly a pillar of the local community, well respected and a key parishioner at St Matthew's. She had some support from Bob's various brothers down at Murphys Creek and Esk but just imagine the task that was ahead of her. And war clouds were brewing in Europe.



Photo taken in about 1914.

Soldiering On

Whilst it is fair to assume that they were dressed in their Sunday best for this photo, it clearly shows the bearing and dress sense their 'Mater', as they called her, had instilled in the children. By this stage, the eldest three boys would have been fully engaged in working Paradise Farm. Although I also know that Willie, the youngest of these three, had left school at 14 and obtained work as a porter for the railways, probably at the Harristown Railway Station.

Robert

In January 1915, Sarah's eldest son Robert heeded the call to go to war. He was a competent horseman and so joined the 5th Light Horse Regiment in Brisbane. By November 1915 he was on the Gallipoli Peninsula. Subsequently with his Regiment, he moved through Egypt, the Sinai Peninsula, and Palestine, chasing the Ottoman Turks back to their homeland. Robert survived the Great War but did not return until late 1919.

Daniel

In 1915, Daniel who was 19, assumed the man's role at Paradise Farm. He would have been old enough to take control of many of the daily tasks under his Mater's supervision. He, with or without her encouragement, probably made the decision to stay on the land and resist whatever pressure he was under to serve overseas. It seems he settled into the role and, over time, took up all the responsibilities for the running of the farm. In 1921 he married a local girl, Amelia Rub, joining two influential Toowoomba families, not for the only time as we will see.

William

It is safe to assume that Willie decided it was his duty to follow his eldest brother into war. After Robert departed for Gallipoli in June 1915, Willie enlisted the following month as a Private with the 26th Battalion Reinforcements AIF in Brisbane. He departed for Gallipoli on 21 October 1915. By the time his troop ship reached the Suez Canal, a withdrawal from Gallipoli was being considered and so his destination was changed to France to serve with a different Australian battalion being redeployed from Turkey. By March 1916, Willie was undergoing training in northern France. His Battalion moved forward in early July.

On the 25 Jul 1916, Private William Handley, D Company, 12th Battalion, 3rd Brigade, Australian Imperial Force was killed in action on the front line at Pozières in France. He was 19 years old. The story of Willie's short life and its aftermath is well worth exploring as it gives an excellent example of the fate of some young men who answered the call and put their priorities for country over family. I have researched his story and the prolonged effect it had on Sarah and the family that remained behind. However, the story is too complex to be included here.

So, by mid-1916, still with two at school, Esther (11) and Hector (9) and only Daniel and John (15) to provide labour at Paradise Farm, Sarah was very busy managing family and income.

John

John, my grandfather, was next to go. As well as working on the farm, he had been a pupil at Harristown State High. However, when he was about 17 after a disagreement with his elder brother Daniel, he headed off to Toogoolawah where he found employment in the local merchandise store, Thomson and Francis, as a motor mechanic apprentice. Here, he met his future wife, Ethel Maud Barnier Tomkins, who also worked in T&F as a clerk. They also were active in the local Anglican church where she played the organ, and he assisted as one of the wardsmen.

Toogoolawah was home to a large dairy factory that processed condensed milk. Most of the townsfolk worked there and in the surrounding dairy farms. As was the case back then, safety wasn't a high priority, and accidents were aplenty. Ethel had a couple of uncles who saw an opening for a business transporting sick and injured people to the local hospital, first by hand drawn litters and later by horse and cart. Eventually the business expanded, they moved it to Esk and then Ipswich where it became the Queensland Ambulance Transport Board (QATB). John Handley got involved with the enterprise and became an ambulance bearer with them.

By early-1925, John was an ambulance bearer for the embryonic QATB presence in Charters Towers, near Townsville. He worked there for roughly 18 months before obtaining employment as a bearer in Goondiwindi. Evidently, he left Charters Towers with an additional task before presenting at Goondiwindi. On 22 May 1926, one month later, he married Ethel in Toogoolawah. He was 24, she was 26. John and Ethel went on to establish themselves and grow a family in Goondiwindi. They had three daughters, Oriel (born 26 May 1927), my mum Deidre (2 Feb 1929) and Ursula (28 Sep 1934). John remained as an ambulance officer until the early 1950s. He also operated a 'cash and carry' in the main street in competition with the Hannah family who owned *Coorey's* and later established *Hannah's* in Toowoomba.

Meanwhile

Sarah had a battle with bureaucracy with Willie's legacy. We can safely assume that Mater continued her efforts on the farm and in the local community. There were others that helped too; her brother John came up from Ipswich to help. Later Daniel's son Pat was also prominent at Paradise Farm and at their other property in Mt Rascal.

Meanwhile, in 1919, Robert returned from the war and decided not to settle back at Paradise Farm. He obtained work as a wardman and a nurse at Baillie Henderson Hospital assisting mental health patients, probably driven by his association with many who had war-related issues. In 1921 he married Alice Diller, whom he had met in England, and they had a son, Wilfred, in 1923. Robert worked at Baillie, becoming head wardman, until he retired. He spilt with his wife towards the end. He died in 1977 and has an RSL slot at the Gardens of Remembrance in Ruthven St.

Daniel, and his wife Amelia, living at Paradise Farm had two children Lorna (1922) and Noel (or Pat as he was known) (1923). Pat went on to help with the running of the Farm when he was older. Here is a photo of four generations, with Sarah, Daniel, Lorna with Sarah's mother Catherine Springall, who by now had retired as the wife of the Ipswich Mayor. We have made this far without really discussing Sarah's two youngest children.



Esther

Esther Sarah Handley was born on 16 July 1905. She saw tragedy early on in her life with her father dying when she was 4 and her brother when she was 11. Additionally, she grew up during the war where commodities were scarce and was in her teenage years during the Depression. Her Mater would have loved having her little girl around and would have protected her from as much of the nastiness as possible. Having lost so much, you can imagine that Sarah would have held her close. It's possible to get an idea of this with this lovely photograph taken around the time of her father's death. Her young years would have been taken up with some school but also a lot of helping around the house as Mater and Daniel managed the farm. She was 25 when she married Arthur James Rub on 3 Jun 1931.

Arthur was the younger brother of Daniel's wife Amelia and had probably known Esther for some time. I'm sure there was a close relationship, both business and personal, between the two families. It wasn't long before they had children on the way with Hector (known as Ray) (1933), Daphne (1934) and Rita (1935) coming along. Arthur was

a labourer and Esther was classified as 'home duties' in the Electoral Rolls I've seen. They, and the children spent their whole lives in the Toowoomba/Drayton area. Arthur died in 1973, Esther outlasted her husband and all her brothers and died in 1978. They are buried in the Toowoomba Garden of Remembrance.

Hector

Hector Richard Handley was born on 13 Sep 1907 and would not have known his father. Daniel would have been his father figure I guess, with my grandfather, John leaving home when Hector was about 11 and Robert returning to Toowoomba in 1919 but not to the family home. According to his daughter, Gail, who still lives in Toowoomba, Hector spent some of his childhood with Sarah's half-sister, Hannah, down in Ipswich. As he got older, he worked with his brother Daniel on Paradise Farm.

In 1933 Hector married Ruby Reis and they purchased a rundown property called Kingsley out near Brymaroo. They transformed it into a productive dairy farm until 1957, then grew grain and beef cattle. Hector and Ruby had five children: Veronica (born 1934), Hector Richard (known as Richard) (1935), Joy Janese Laura (1940), Lyle Douglas (1945) and Gail Barbara (1948). Sometime around 1949 they settled in Jondaryan, between Oakey and Dalby and stayed there while they brought up the kids. They moved back into Taylor St in Toowoomba when they retired in about 1972. Hector died on 26 Mar 1978. Ruby died in a nursing home in Toowoomba on 1 Nov 1999. They are buried side by side at the Toowoomba Garden of Remembrance.

Later Mater

In the late 1920s, Daniel had totally taken over the running of Paradise Farm. Sarah continued to assist for a while and provide support to the various family members that came to stay there from both sides of the family. She then moved to Kingsley and lived with Hector and Ruby for some time. In later life, she often stayed with Esther in Nelson St for support and probably to be close to her grandchildren.



I have very little other information on the remainder of her life. She was surrounded by family though; three sons and one daughter living close by. My grandfather John, who had retired with his wife in Wynnum, didn't have a lot to do with his family 'up on the range', or the extended family in Murphys Creek and Esk. He was though, convinced to attend Hector's son Lyle's wedding in 1969. Here's a photo of the four brothers - John (L), Dan, Bob, and Hec. Late in life, Sarah suffered from Paget's Disease which forced her into seclusion. She died in Toowoomba on 5 Jun 1942. She was buried in the Toowoomba General Cemetery in Anzac Ave, with Bob, who had left her suddenly all those years before.

About the Author

This account of Sarah Handley was written by me, Geoff Buttsworth in April 2024. It is a condensed version of a story I wrote for my own daughter, Sarah Pobar, née Buttsworth for her 30th birthday in 2019.

I was born in Canberra to Ian Buttsworth and Deidre Handley, the grand-daughter of Sarah Handley. I joined the RAAF at age 18 and moved all around the country and New Zealand, where I met my wife, before we settled down in Greenmount, south of Toowoomba in 2004. We have two children who spent their high school years at Toowoomba schools. Sarah now lives with her husband and daughter in Brisbane, and her brother Malcolm lives with his wife in Canberra. I am pleased to be living back in rural Queensland, an area that my ancestors knew so well.



OBITUARY - MRS C. USHER

Another of our early pioneers has passed to her eternal reward in Mrs. Charlotte Usher, late of East street, Toowoomba. The deceased lady had reached a ripe old age, and 59 years of her life were spent in this city. She arrived in Toowoomba before the Range railway line was built, coming up from the coast by means of the old bullock dray. Mrs. Usher's husband predeceased her about six years ago, and she is survived by two sons, two daughters, 25 grandchildren, and 28 great-grandchildren. [Buried D & T Cemetery 27 June 1924; Methodist, Section 3, Row 1, Plot 68; Aged 88 years]

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MORE SCHOOLS

Gadgarra S S	Gomoron S S (later Douglas)	Guluguba S S
Gaeta S S	Gooburru S S	Gumdale S S
Gallangowan S S	Goodna S S	Gunalda S S (prev. Thompson's Flat)
Garbutt's Siding (later Garbutt) S S	Goodnight Scrub S S	Gunbar Prov. School
Garnant S S	Goodwood S S	Gungaloon S S
Gatcombe Head Prov. School	Googa Googa S S	Gunnewin Prov. School
Gatton Lockyer State High School	Goomaram Creek S S	Gunpowder S S
Gatton S S	Goombi S S	Gunyan Prov. School
Gayndah Aboriginal School	Goomboorian S S	Gurgeena S S
Gayndah North S S	Goombungee S S	Gurulmundi S S
Gayndah Secondary School	Goomburru S S	Gympie Central Boys State
Gayndah State Rural School	Goomeri State (Secondary)	Gympie Central Girls & Infants
Gayndah State Rural School	Goomeri S S	Gympie Central Infants
Gayndah S S	Goomeri West S S	Gympie Central S S
Gayndah S S	Goomeribong S S	Gympie girls & infants One Mile
Geebung Special School	Goondi S S	Gympie High School
Geham S S	Goondiwindi East Provisional School	Gympie Intermediate School
Geham S S	Goondiwindi East S S	Gympie South S S
Geham S S	Goondiwindi S S	Gympie West S S
Georgetown S S	Gooroolba S S	Habana S S
German Station (later Nundah)	Gootchie S S	Haden S S
German Station (later Nundah)	Goovigen S S	Haly Creek S S
Gilston (prev Nerang Upper) S S	Goranba S S	Hamilton Creek S S (Mt. Morgan)
Gin Gin State High School	Gordon Brook South S S	Hamilton S S
Gindie S S	Gordonvale State (prev Mulgrave)	Hampstead Prov. School (prev. Freeman's Waterhole)
Ginoondan S S	Gordonvale State High School	Hampstead Prov. School (prev. Freeman's Waterhole)
Gladfield S S	Gorge S S	Hampton S S
Gladstone Central S S	Gowrie Colliery Prov School	Hannaford S S (prev Forest Park)
Gladstone South (prev Parsons Point)	Gowrie Junction State Eshool	Happy Valley S S
Gladstone South S S	Gowrie Little Plain S S	Harelmar S S
Gladstone Special	Gowrie Mountain S S	Harlaxton S S
Gladstone State High School	Gowrie Road S S	Harrami S S
Gladstone S S	Gowrie S S	Harrisborough (later Fernvale)
Gladstone West S S	Gracemere S S	Harrison's Pocket S S
Gladysvale S S	Graceville S S	Harristown Pre-School
Glass House Tobacco Settlement School	Granite Hill S S	Harristown State High School
Glastonbury Creek S S	Grantham S S	Harristown S S
Glen Allyn S S	Granville SS (prev East Maryborough)	Harrisville S S
Glen Aplin S S	Granville S S	Harrow S S
Glen Cairn S S	Grassdale (later Gumdale) S S	Haslemere S S
Glen Leigh S S (prev. Aberfeldie)	Grayson S S (renamed Willowvale)	Hatton Vale S S
Glen Lock S S	Green Ridge S S	Hawkins Creek S S
Glen Lyon S S	Greenbank S S	Haystack (prev Daiwan) S S
Glenapp S S	Greendale S S	Headington Hill S S
Glenarbon Prov. / S S	Greenmount S S	Heatley State High School
Glenaubyn S S	Greenslopes (prev Dunellan)	Heatley S S
Glenaven S S	Greenup S S	Hebel S S
Glencliff S S	Greenvale Project S S (covers Burdekin River & Clarke Rv School)	Hemmant (prev Bulimba, Doughby Creek)
Glencoe S S	Greenvale Project S S (incl. Star River School)	Hemmant S S
Glenecho S S	Greenvale S S	Hendon S S
Glenella S S	Greenwood S S	Hendra S S
Glenmorgan S S	Gregor's Creek S S	Hermit Park S S
Glenmorristown Prov. School	Gregory Mine S S	Hervey's Range Prov. School
Glennie Heights S S	Greymare S S	Hesenburg S S (later Ingoldsby)
Glenore Grove S S	Grindstone S S	Hidden Vale S S
Glenrae S S	Groomsville S S	Highfields S S
Glenrock S S	Groomsville S S (prev. Jericho Estate Vol 1)	Highland Plains S S
Glenvale S S	Grosvenor Siding Prov. School	Highlands S S
Golden Beach, Caloundra S S		Highvale S S (prev. Highlands)
Golden Valley (prev Yandina Creek)		

Highworth S S	Innisplain S S	Junction Park (prev Thompson Estate) S S
Hilder Road S S	Inverai S S	Junction Park Infants
Hill Top (later Boonarga) S S	Inverlaw S S (prev. Four Mile Gully till 1912)	Junction View S S
Hillgrove S S (prev. Harrisville)	Inverleigh S S	Jundah S S
Hillsdale S S	Inverramsay S S	
Hillview / Christmas Creek S S	Iona S S	Kabra S S
Hirstglen S S	Ipswich - Little Ipswich - Ipswich	Kaimkillenbun S S
Hivesville S S	West - Little Ipswich Primary	Kairi S S
Hodgleigh S S	Ipswich - Newtown S S	Kajabbi S S
Hodgson S S	Ipswich Central boys	Kalamia S S (nr Ayr)
Hodgson's Vale S S	Ipswich Central Girls & Infants	Kalagara S S
Holloway's Beach S S	Ipswich East Boys	Kalapa S S (prev Woodend)
Hollymount S S	Ipswich East S S	Kalbar S S
Hollywell S S	Ipswich North Girls & Infants	Kallangur S S
Home Creek S S	Ipswich North S S	Kalpower S S (prev 66 Mile Camp)
Home Hill S S	Ipswich State High School	Kandanga S S
Homebush S S (Ayr District)	Ipswich West Boys School	Kangaroo Point Boys S S
Homestead S S	Ipswich West Girls & Infants School	Kangaroo Point Girls & Infants School
Hope Vale S S	Ipswich West special School	Kangaroo Point Girls S S
Hopeland S S	Ipswich West S S	Kangaroo Point Infants School
Horse Shoe Bend S S	Ironbark Ridge S S	Kangaroo Point S S
Horse Shoe Lagoon S S	Irongate S S	Kanigan School prev Kanighan
Horseshoe Bay S S	Ironpot Creek S S (nr Bell)	Kapaldo S S (prev Anyarro)
Howard (prev Burrum) S S	Ironside S S	Karara (prev Canal Creek) S S
Howard S S	Irvinebank S S	Kareewa (later Boreen Junction)
Hughenden High S S	Irvingdale S S	Kariboe Creek S S
Hughenden S S	Isaac River Camp Provisional School (Peak Downs)	Karrabin S S
Humpybong Infants S S	Isis Central Mill S S	Karumba S S
Humpybong S S	Isis District State High School	Katherine Creek S S
Hunchy S S	Isis North S S	Kawana Waters State High School
Hungerford S S	Isis South S S	Keane's Crossing S S (prev Kingsvale)
Hut Creek S S	Ithaca Creek S S	Kedron State High
	Ivanhoe S S	Kedron S S
	Iyah S S	Kedron Upper State (later Ferny Grove)
Idalia S S	Jackson S S	Kelvin Grove Boys SS
Ilbilbie S S	Jamboree Heights S S	Kelvin Grove Girls & Infants
Ilfracombe S S	Jandowae / Jondowaie S S	Kelvin Grove State High School
Ilkley S S	Jandowae / Jondowaie S S	Kelvin Grove S S
Imbil State High School	Jandowae East S S	Kelvinhaugh S S (prev Mayburn)
Imbil S S	Japoon West S S	Kenilworth Lower S S (prev Kenilworth)
Inala - Serviceton South S S	Jarail Creek S S	Kenmore State High School
Inala West Pre School	Jibbenbah S S	Kenmore S S
Inala West S S	Jimbour Prov. S S	Kepnock State High school
Indooroopilly Pocket S S (pre Toowong)	Jingarry S S	Kerry S S
Indooroopilly Pocket S S (later Ironside)	Jinghi Lower S S	Keysland S S
Indooroopilly S S	Jinghi Valley S S (prev. Jinghi Gully)	Kiamba S S
Indooroopilly S S	Johnstown Prov. School	Kidston S S
Industrial High School	Johnstown West S S	Kiel's Mountain
Ingleside S S	Jondaryan S S	Kilbirmie S S (prev Zahley & Mt. Darry)
Inglestone S S	Jones Hill S S	Kilcoy)prev Hopetoun) S S
Inglewood Secondary S S	Jooro S S	Kilcoy High S S
Inglewood S S	Josephville (prev Tamrookum Lower) S S	Kilkivan S S
Inglewood West S S (prev. Whetstone)	Joskeleigh S S (Central Qld)	Killaloe S S
Ingoldsby S S (prev Hessenburg) nr Gattton	Juandah Provisional (later Wandown S S)	Killarney S S
Injuine S S (Secondary)	Julia Creek S S	Killarney State Secondary Dept.
Injune S S	Junabee S S	Kimberley Park S S
Injune Upper(later Gunnewin) S S		Kin Kin Junction S S
Inkerman S S		
Innisfail East State Shool		
Innisfail S S		