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THE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF VICTORIA = MID GIPPSLAND GROUP.

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The following notice appeared in the Melbourne 'Sun' on Friday November 21st.

**GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
OF VICTORIA
CHANGE OF PREMISES**

The Genealogical Society of Victoria is shifting from its present location in Block Arcade to the **5th and 6th Floors of CURTIN HOUSE, 252 SWANSTON ST., MELBOURNE.**

Block Arcade closes to members and public from November 22, 1986, at 3.30 p.m. The Society re-opens on Tuesday, January 6, 1987, at 252 Swanston St., Melbourne.

TELEPHONE ENQUIRIES: 663-7033

Members of The G.S.V. and the many family historians who use the research facilities please note. I am sure everyone will benefit with the larger premises in use.

Now an APOLOGY. In our previous Newsletter the incorrect new address of The Public Records Office City Search Room was given. The following information is provided from information obtained by our efficient secretary.



DEPARTMENT OF
PROPERTY AND SERVICES

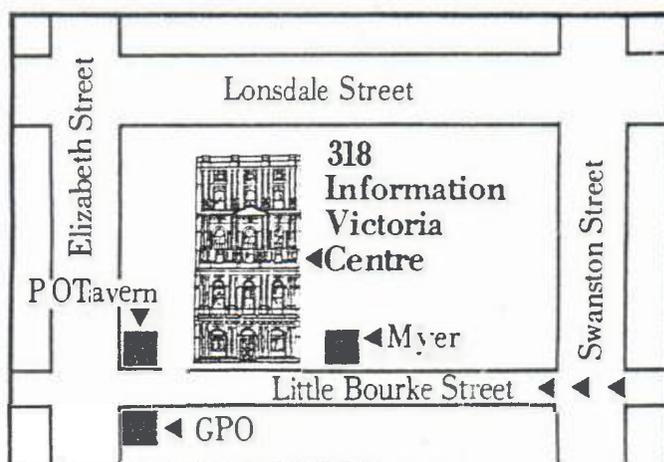
A new home for Government information services

The following services are being relocated to 318 Little Bourke Street, Melbourne (next to Myer);

- ▲ Government Information Centre
- ▲ Map Sales Centre
- ▲ VGPO Bookshop
- ▲ Public Record Office City Search Room

The new premises called **INFORMATION VICTORIA CENTRE** will provide a central outlet for all Government information.

The Public Record Office City Search Room is moving on 20th September 1986, to the 4th floor at 318 Little Bourke Street, Melbourne.
New telephone number (03)6633434



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A member of The Mid Gippsland Group has advised the Editors that a friend of his living in Morwell recently acquired a old Bible which had belonged to the RICARDO Family who had resided in the Gisborne area. Family events recorded cover the period 1875-1940. If this information is of interest to family historians and genealogists please ring Mr. Bob Beard on 051-277612.

Librarian Lynn Gorman advises the following new additions to our library.

Victorian Electoral Roll 1908. Microfilm.

Biographical Index of South Australia. 1836 - 1885. Vols 1 - 4 .

Dictionary of Western Australians. 1829 - 1914.

Vol. 1. Early Settlers. 1829 - 1850.

Vol. 2. Bond Settlers. 1850 - 1868.

Vol. 3. Free Settlers. 1850 - 1868.

Vol. 4. The Challenging Years. Pt.1. AA - K. 1868 - 1888. Pt.2. L - Z.

Topographical Dictionary of Ireland. 1837. Detailed descriptions of towns, villages, parishes etc. in Ireland.

Ireland. Research Guide by Church of Latter Day Saints.

Irish County Maps showing locations of Churches. Four Provinces. (All Counties).

Record Offices. How to Find Them. (England). Maps and addresses.

Guide to the Public Records of Tasmania. - Convict Department. Free Immigration.

We have been advised that Mrs. Kath Ringin will be launching a book about the history and people of the area previously known as Brown Coal Mine on Sunday 14th. December at the Yallourn North Hall at 1pm. This publication will be of interest to those who are connected to early settlers in this area.

Abbreviations used in Genealogy.

B - born; BUR - buried; BRO - brother; SIS - sister; C or BP - christened or baptised;
C - circa or about; D or DB - died; D yng. - died young; D.S.P. -died without issue;
D Nnm - died unmarried; DAT - dated; DAU of - daughter of; EDUC - educated at; ELD -eldest;
YNG - youngest; INF - infant; JNR - junior; SRN - senior; LIC - licence; M - married;
DIV - divorced; W - widow; ReM - remarried.

Names of paid genealogical researchers can be supplied by the :

Australasian Association of Genealogists and Record Agents,

P.O. Box 268,

OAKLEIGH. 3166.

for research to be done in Victoria. (From Notes on Victorian Family History)

THE CORNEILLE HISTORY AND FAMILY TREE

Whilst researching my family history I have recently acquired a copy of a private publication of the CORNEILLE family tree.

In 1932 the Corneille descendants in Canada decided to bring their side of the family tree up to date. This covers six generations of the Corneille family from Jacob Corneille (1709), one of the Huguenots who fled from France to the Palatinate of the Rhine during the reign of Louis XIV, thence to Ireland.

Amongst many others, the names of Twiss and Switzer also feature in this publication. Twiss is my main interest, however, I would be very happy to provide information on the above to fellow descendants or others who may be interested.

The 'key' to this publication may also be of interest - it can be difficult to decide on a method for recording all one's ancestors for the printed page.

I., II., III., IV., - FIRST GENERATION
A, B, C, D, - SECOND GENERATION
1, 2, 3, 4 - THIRD GENERATION
a, b, c, d - FOURTH GENERATION
(1), (2), (3), (4) - FIFTH GENERATION
(aa), (bb), (cc), (dd) - SIXTH GENERATION

However, there are now two more generations to add since 1932, so this method does not seem to be a satisfactory one for continuation of the 'tree'.

September, 1986.

PATRICIA HOLYWELL

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Research in China. Would any reader who has been successful with research on ancestors from the Canton area please write to Mrs. F. Lynch, 37 Elizabeth St.; Traralgon. 3844. as she is anxious to learn sources of information. So far pleas for help have been unsuccessful.

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Frederick Sherwin Bayley, a son of John and Mary, was born at Clough House, a farm near Wildboardclough, where his parents were tenant farmers of the Earl of Derby in 1866. Frederick arrived in Melbourne on the S.S. Orient in May 1886 to join his brother Leonard who arrived in 1884 and settled in Blackburn.

Frederick had two references with him. One from Mr. Osborne a teacher at Crag School stated he had received a good education and had experience in stock keeping on a large farm and that he had qualities that would lead to success. The other reference written by the Wildboardclough Vicar, Rev. Freeman was similar.

When Frederick arrived in Melbourne he found work on the building of the Federal Hotel and later worked in the Blackburn area making eucalyptus oil on a property owned by William Slater. Following his marriage to Margaret McIlrath, daughter of William and Matilda of Brushy Park, the newly weds rented a farming property on Wellington Road near the present site of Monash University. Later they moved to another farm at Yarra View.

In 1893 with their daughter Ethel, born in 1892, they moved all their possessions by horse and dray along the Gippsland Road (Old Sale Road) to Shady Creek. Like all new settlers they had to hire a guide to show them the way through the thick bush to their new property. Although this cost the princely sum of £20:00 it was necessary.

Here Frederick and Margaret cleared the land, built a house, dairy and sheds. Whilst waiting for the farm to become productive Frederick set up a eucalyptus distillery and employed men to gather leaves from suitable trees in the area. The oil was packed in drums, carried to Yarragon and thence to Melbourne by rail. The distillery continued until the price of oil made it unprofitable to continue.

Although a school opened at Shady Creek in 1903 the Bayley children did not attend because of the distance they would have to travel daily. The five Bayley children Ethel, Olive, Harold, Mary and Nellie were instructed by a governess who lived with the family.

In 1901 Frederick selected 640 acres north-east of Yarragon under the Land Act of 1898. This selection was "more or less third class land" with an annual rental of £100. Under the Land Act the licensee had to occupy the land within 12 months and make substantial and permanent improvements within six years.

In 1907 Frederick sold the Shady Creek farm and purchased 150 acres close to Yarragon where they employed men at six shillings a day to help with the clearing of the land. This new farm was called Blackwood Park and is still farmed by the Bayley family.

Frederick was elected to the Narracan Shire Council in 1913 and remained a Council member until 1947. During this time he was Shire President in 1918 and 1930. Upon retirement he was succeeded by his son Harold who was Shire President in 1957 and he too was succeeded by his son Ralph who also served as Shire President in 1984.

Frederick and Margaret purchased a small farmlet on the Princess Highway in 1918 and retired to live here upon the marriage of their son Harold. Frederick died in 1955 and Margaret in 1958.

(Betty Bayley).

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Did your ancestors come from County Clare, Ireland?. If so The Clare Heritage Centre, Corofin, Co Clare, Ireland may be able to help with your research. For a modest fee the director Mr. Naoise Cleary, and his small staff will undertake research on behalf of Australian families whose ancestors came from County Clare last century. Some of the indexed records go back to 1802 but most are slightly later but all pre-date the big period of migration. The Centre also has shipping records to draw upon. To facilitate research enquiries please give as much information as possible about the persons or families being researched as there are pages of some recurrent names.

Many Australians visiting Ireland call at the Clare Heritage Centre, in fact approximately half of last year's queries were made by in person. For an initial search the Centre charges 20 Irish pounds (approx \$42.00) and up to 75 pounds (\$160.00) for a full search which may take up to two days.

(Abridged from The Age, Saturday 4th. October).

As this is the final publication for 1986 the Newsletter Committee take this opportunity to thank all contributors and those who have assisted in any way.

Margaret Kilmartin and Ailsa Parr are busily preparing the Members Interest Directory and expect it to be available soon.

Barbara and Bill White would appreciate members assistance with typing the index cards for the Yallourn Cemetary. Working sessions are held at 8 Avon Court, Newborough, on Thursday evenings so turn up with your typewriter.

Most of our overseas travellers have returned after successful research. Don and Glad Macreadie have already told us of their research and Ian McGown and Eddie Tunn are still to tell us about their research in Scotland.

On behalf of the President and Secretary we wish all Members, their families and friends a Happy Festive Season and a Happy New Year. May that which has been alluding you be your success in 1987.

(Editorial Committee: J. Lynch, J. Kilmartin)..