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CHAIRMAN'S CHATTER :

Our September meeting was a "Library Discovery Night". All the resources were displayed and this created a lot of interest among the members present.

On October 14th. we held our 1989 Seminar. What a great day. All the speakers were very informative and very entertaining. The attendance was disappointing, mainly our own members with a few new faces, no other genealogical groups were represented.

The October meeting was a book launch of "The Chaplain's Charity", a history of the Eastman family by Hubert Claude Eastman. The information had been collected by Mrs. Fran Little whose eyesight failed before she could complete the her task. She requested our group to finalise the book and through the efforts of Mrs. Ailsa Barr and Mr. Don Macreadie the book has finally been published. The Shire of Morwell had given the group a grant to assist in completing the work.

On the night, official guests from the Shire of Morwell and the Little and Eastman families were present. The book was introduced by Don Macreadie and launched by the Councillor Mrs. Elizabeth Ollquist from the Shire of Morwell.

The evening was highlighted by a speech from Mr. Trevor Eastman from Melbourne, the great-great-grandson of the Rev. George Eastman.

MEETING PROGRAM 1989/1990 :

The following are the arrangements for the next three meetings.

NOVEMBER 23rd: Annual General Meeting.

JANUARY 25th: "Re-acquaintance Night" New Year Barbeque in the Rose Garden of the G.I.A.E. at 7.30 P.M.

FEBRUARY 22nd: Cemetery transcription night at Toongabbie Cemetery, followed by a "Sundown Supper" (B.Y.O. everything). During supper a speaker for 10 minutes on "Our Group - G.S.V. Relationship".

BOOK REVIEW - "THE CHAPLAIN'S CHARITY" THE STORY OF THE REV. GEORGE EASTMAN BY HUBERT CLAUDE EASTMAN. :

This is a story of one family's experiences in Tasmania. When in his eighties, Hubert Claude Eastman began to write the family history as his grandfather had arrived in Tasmania as a religious instruction teacher on the convict ship "London" in 1844. For 26 years the Rev. George Eastman was Chaplain on the Tasman Peninsular (Port Arthur).

The latter part of the book deals with the life of Hubert Claude Eastman (born 1896). It tells of his experiences in the two world wars, the 1930's depression and of some years spent in New Zealand.

The material collected by Hubert Claude Eastman was passed on to his daughter, Mrs. Fran Little. Fran's eyesight began to fail her and she approached our group for help. Through the efforts of two of our members, Mrs. Ailsa Barr and Mr Don Macreadie the task was completed. The book was launched at our meeting on October 26th.. Unfortunately Fran's health deteriorated rapidly and she passed away before the task was finished.

Books are available from our group for \$5 a copy.

Submitted by Greg Sephton.

UNSUNG HEROES OF THE OUTBACK:

The Unsung Heroes project is a biographical data base which includes information about individual men and women who, although not given a broad coverage in the history books, were vital to the pioneering spirit of Australia. These men and women came from all walks of life and backgrounds and include drovers, property owners, country store-keepers and shearers.

The Unsung Heroes data base is connected to a video disk which allows photographs as well as information to be stored on computer. Copies of the information, and even photographs are available to the public for a small charge.

For \$25, you can record the story of your Unsung Hero on the Australian Stockman's Hall of Fame and Outback Heritage Centre's data base for posterity. Send with your application any photographs, newspaper cuttings or other relevant information. These will be copied and returned to you after processing. You will receive from the Hall of Fame a printout of the information as well as a "Unsung Heroes Certificate of Registration".

Application form is available in library. The address to send application forms to is: The Australian Stockman's Hall of Fame And Outback Heritage Centre, G.P.O. Box 1, Brisbane, Qld. 4001.

Submitted by Gwen Curnick.

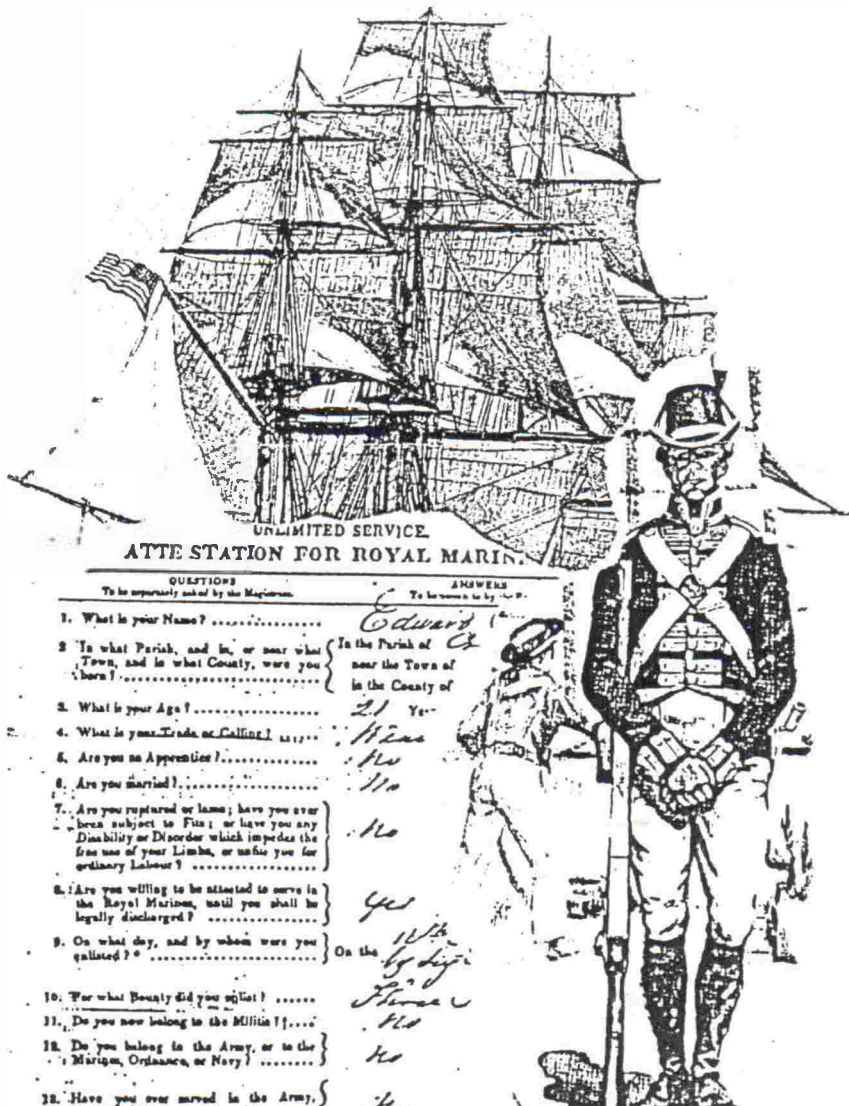
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ANCESTORS

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Submitted by Gwen Curnick.

STATION FOR ROYAL MARINE

QUESTIONS To be separately asked by the Magistrate. ANSWERS To be given by the Applicant.

1. What is your Name? *Edward*
2. In what Parish, and in, or near what Town, and in what County, were you born? *In the Parish of near the Town of in the County of*
3. What is your Age? *21* Yes
4. What is your Trade or Calling? *None*
5. Are you an Apprentice? *No*
6. Are you married? *No*
7. Are you ruptured or lame; have you ever been subject to Fits; or have you any Disability or Disorder which impedes the free use of your Limbs, or unfit you for ordinary Labour? *No*
8. Are you willing to be attached to serve in the Royal Marines, until you shall be legally discharged? *Yes*
9. On what day, and by whom were you enlisted? *On the 14th of May 1814*
10. For what County did you enlist? *Gloucester*
11. Do you now belong to the Militia? *No*
12. Do you belong to the Army, or to the Marines, Ordnance, or Navy? *No*
13. Have you ever served in the Army? *No*

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