

NEWSLETTER

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CHRISTMAS B.B.Q.

GET TO KNOW YOUR CHAIRMAN AND SEE HIS STUDY.

Don and Glad Macreadie would like to invite all members of The Mid-Gippsland Group, along to their home for a B.B.Q which would be a our break-up for the festive month of December. The date is Sunday 2nd December, 1990 and will commence at 11.00 a.m. and go through to 5.00 p.m. Great opportunity for all those keen genealogists to have a look at the research that Don and Glad have undertaken over the years. Don's home is situated two miles across the Cowwarr Weir. Anyone wanting directions on how to get there, ask Don!

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"FROM SHAMR'OCK TO WATTLE."

Digging up your Irish Ancestors

by Trevor McClaughlin

On Sunday 16th September, 1990, the Irish Ancestry Group was the venue for the launch in conjunction with the GSV, of the second printing of the above book.

Trevor McClaughlin was born in Belfast in 1944 and grew up in Holywood, County Down. He has Ph.D. in History of Science. Currently a Senior Lecturer at Macquarie University.

This book will be of great benefit to those who have Irish ancestry.

THE SIXTH AUSTRALIAN CONGRESS ON GENEALOGY AND HERALDRY.

This is to be held in Launceston, Tasmania in May, 1991.

Featured will be Colonel Swinnerton and Mr. Colin Chapman, Fresident and Vice-President of the Federation of Family History Societies.

Register early and save! Registrations received before 30th November, 1990, attract a \$25-00 discount. Full details of the program and a registration brochure, can be obtained by writing to the Congress Convenor PD Box 60, Prospect Tasmania 7250.

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The A.I.G.S. is currently in the process of compiling a Members' Interests Directory. It has been six years since the last one was published. All those who have joined since January 1990, they have started to put the interests onto a computer file and a print-out is now available for perusal.

A new Library for the A.I.G.S. will be occurring in January 1991. They have purchased a property at 6 Lavelle Street, Blackburn. Approval has been given by the Nunawading Council.

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THE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF VICTORIA.

SPECIALIST INTEREST GROUP - HERALDRY.

For those who are interested in Heraldry, the meetings will be held at the G.S.V. Library on the fourth Saturday of the month at 2 p.m. (bi-monthly). Any enquiries can be addressed to the:

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"THE HELL THAT WAS THE HULK SHIPS."

Report: Robin Bromby Research: Vic Roth

Thousands of Victorians may have convict ancestors without knowing it. Historians have carefully documented the penal settlements of Tasmania and NSW but curiously ignored the repressive and brutal convict hulks which once lay off Williamstown. According to one account of the time, these ships "confined the greatest gang of desperadoes ever assembled together to any part of the world." Today The Herald recalls the horror of these ships. And we publish a list of the men and women confined on them. Because, just as "Roots" remined the American black that he had a past, so "Against The Wind" has suddenly made the Australian question his origins. In a few weeks the series has become the highest rated Australian television program. So many convicts arrived in Victoria in the 1850s that the prison authorities resorted to hulks, which were former havy ships converted to hold vast numbers of prisoners. Between 1852 amd 1858 at least four of these ships, "Success," "Sacramento," "Lysander" and "President" were moored off Williamstown. The men had been transported from England for a wide variety of offences including rape, horse stealing, robbery, forgery and occassionally murder. The first day on board the hulks set the pattern for the remainder of a man's sentence. He was stripped naked and taken to the after deck. He then placed his foot on the anvil and the chief warder selected a set of irons. When both the legs were in irons, the man then had to march, still naked, to the other end of the ship. The irons peeled the skin off the ankles. After several hours he would be taken below decks, placed in a cell probably too small to lie down in and fed a gruel made out of maize.

Those on Success'

Thus is a list of pins on ers held oin board prison hulks at Melbourne on March 31, 1858.

Prisones

on hulk

Success'

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There is a list of pri-soers of the hulk "Suc-dets."

John Aber (Feb. 1858), Wyears roads for assault and robbery. Heary Brown June Henry Brown June

1853), 10 years roads for
robbery with violence
thune 1853) 12 years
roads, 2 years in irons for
robbery with violence;
Thomas Brown (May Thomas Brown (May 1856), 10 years roads for robbery in company; John Byrne (Aug., 1857), 8 years roads, breaking

8 years roads, breaking sen (Aug. 1857), 8 years roads for house breaking; John Belton (Feb. 1855), 10 yea. Fonds for stealing money by force of arms; William Burgess (Peb. 1658), Tyenfs troads for cattle stealing:
George Brown (Feb. 1858), 2 of horse stealing;

BSSI, 2 of horse stealing, Byears roads each.

John Clinch May
1856), hyears roadsfor horse stealing; Miliam
Campbil (Feb. 1856), 16
years roads for hin way
robber John Cole (Jan.
1858), 10 years roads, 2
years in irons for Robbery; John Cook (Feb. bery: John Cook (1858) if years roads for receiving stolen property; receiving stolen property;
John Coleman (Feb. 1858), vears roads, 1
year trons for assault and roobery; James Cummings (Feb. 1858), 7 vears roads for horse stealing;
Eli Cooper (June 1853), 22 years roads, 4 years in irons, for highway robbery. bery

Charles Davis Feb. 1857) 12 years roads two years in mons, for robbery under drns: James Dar ley (Jan. 1858), six years roads for horse stealing; Charles Dixon (May 1856), five years roads for

horse scaling.

George Fison (Jan. 1858). 10 years roads, two sers in irons, for

George Force (July 1856) death to 15 years, three ears in trons, for sodom Patrick Fitzger-ald over 1855, five years foods for stealing from a person Alfred Ford (Jan.

1858), eight years roads for cattle stealing. John Feegan (Feb. 1853), eight years roads for horse stealing (Sept. 1857), three years roads for stealing. Henry Fee (March 1852), 20 years roads, for assault with intent to rob and murder; william Foster (Oct. 1857), seven years roads for forgery.

Henry Garrett (No. 1855), 10 years roads for

for forgery.

Henry Garrett (Nov. 1855), 10 years roads for robbery in company.

James Grant (Oct. 1856), four years roads for stealing from a dwelling;

James Gibson (July 1857). six years roads, one year in trons, for robbery in company.

James Hawkins (May 165), 10 years roads for assault and stealing from the person; John Harkus (Oct. 1855), 10 years roads, two years in irons, for robbery in company; James Hamilton (April 1857), 6 years roads for horse stealing; Frederick Haines (July 1857), My years roads for Frederick Haines (July 1867) 10 years mad a for robbery in company; William Hatfield (May 1852), 12 years roads, 2 years in nons, accumulative sentences for robbery from a dwelling; lative scinces a dwelling: bery from a dwelling: Henry Hayes (Sept. 1857), 6 years roads for robbery nerson: Titomas from a person: Tillomas Haslem (Feb. 1858), death to 15 years hard labor, 3 years in irons, for mur-

Thomas Ivey. (April 1854, death to 15 years roads, 3 years in frons, for sodomy. Wilfiam Jones, (June 1853), 22 years roads, 3 years in frons, accumulative sentences for robbery with violence; Frederick Jackson, (Aug. 1857), 6 years roads for breaking years roads for breaking into a shop; William Jessop, (April 1857), 10 years roads, 2 years in irons, for robbery. William Jeffkins, (Feb. 1854, Oct. 1857, 7 years roads then 3 years roads for manslaughter, and cutting and wounding: Thomas Jones, (April 1855, Oct. 1857) 5 years roads and 4 years roads for stealing years roads for stealing in a dwelling and burglary; Henry Jones, (April 1855), 12 vers roads; 3 years in irons, for robbery in company.

John Kerr, (Dec. 1856), 8 years roads for horse stealing.

William Leigh, (Dec. William Leigh, Dec. 1856), 4 years penal servitude for insubordination in the army; Thomas Lynch, (Sept. 1857), 15 years roads for robbery under arms and herse stealing; John Lee, Jan.

1858 8 years loads for robery in company for escaping from lockup, (Feb. 1858,) 2 years roads for horse stealing. A. Lop. (Oct. 1857), death to hard labor for life for horse nurder.

murder.
Henry Mills, sodomy (April 1856), 15 years roads, 3 years irons; Richard Murray, (Nov. 1853), 10 years roads for assault with intent on a child; John McLean, assault with intent on a child; John McLean, (Oct. 1856), 8 years roads for horsestealing; James McDonald, (Oct. 1857), 9 years roads for burglary John McKenzie, (April 1853), 15 years roads, 2 years in irons, for highway robbery and horse stealing; James McGuire, (March 1858), 13 years roads for forgery andultering; William Millard, (March 1855), 10 years roads for horse stealing. (March 1855), 10 years roads for horse stealing. James Owens, (July 1857), eight years roads, one year in irons, for robbery in company.

The Philips Lluna 1856) 14 years roads for horse stealing: Richard Palmer. (June 1857, seven years roads for horse stealing. Thomas Quinn, (April 1852), eight years roads for highway robbery...

Thoms Rouch. (June 1856), 16 years roads for horse stealing; John Rufferty (Oct. 1857), seven years roads for horse stealing. Thomas Robinson (Oct. 1857), seven years roads for horse stealing. John Robinson (Jan. 1857), 13 years roads for robbety in company and assault with intent to rob John Reed (Feb. 1857), 12 years roads. 21 years remitted, for horse stealing. Patrick Roche (Feb. 1858) seven years roads for burglany. for burglam

Charles Sherry (July 1856), 10 years roads for shooting with intent, James swith (April James James smith (April 1855), three years roads for receiving stolen proporty (Charles Smith (Ang. 1853), 10 years roads for robbery in company. William Stanley (Oct. 1857), eight years roads for assault and stealing from the person William Smith (April 1856), 10 years roads, two years in rols for stealing in a dwelling. Thomas Southey (Sept. 1856), three years roads 1856; three years roads for stealing in a dwelling Feb. 1856, three years roads for highway rob-

William Smith bery, William Smith (Feb. 1858), seven years roads and three months hard labor for horse stealing, and robbery. Michael Sullivan July 1857, 10 years roads for burglary, John Smith (Sept. 1856), six years roads for horse stealing.

Patrick Terence June Patrick reference counce 1853), two years roads for Thomas. (Oct. 1853), 10 years roads for robbery in company; William Thomas. pilly: William Thomas May 1856), seven years roads for manslaughter. Robert Tittle (Feb. 1858), seven years roads for as-

sault and robbery.
Stephen Underhill (Oct.
1857), eight years roads for house breaking.

Samuel Weir 1856) 20 years roads for robbery in company. John Wilson (July 1857) 10 (June 1857), eight years imprisonment with hard imprisonment with hard labor two years in irons, for robbery in company with violence; Joseph Milliams for robbery under arms, John Williams Feb 1855, five years roads for stealing from the person July 1857, one year roads for insdemeanor George Wilson (Oct. 1857), 12 years roads for uttering and one year roads for his women or George Wilson (Oct. 1857). 12 years roads for uttering and forgering Charles Worman (Oct. 1857), seven years roads for horse stealing. John Charles Wilson (Oct. 1857), death to 15 years hard labor, three up trons for rape; thenry Williams (Aug. 1854) nine years roads. Henry Williams (Aug 1854), nine years roads for horse stealing (Feb for horse steaming 1858, 12 months hard labor for larceny. John White Feb 1855), years roads for

years roads for horse stealing.

John Youn (Feb. 1858), eight years roads for horse stealing.



Prisoners on hulk 'President'

Here is a list of those held on the hulk "President".

James Anderson, convited March 1855, to eight years on the roads for horse steading William Austin, horse steading (Feb. 1854), 11 years roads; John Andrews, horse steading (June 1853), 18 years roads.

John Brown, horse stealing (Feb. 1858), five years roads. John Burns, stealing (Feb. 1854), six years roads

George Carney, horse stealing and using a horse vathout the owner consent (Nov. 1855, 13 years roads, William Creigan, receiving and cattle stealing Peb, 1858), seven years roads.

Daniel Diamond, rape
(Dec. 1857) douth commuted to hard labor for
life, first three years in
rrons, Daniel Donovan,
cattle stealing and receiving (Feb 1855), seven
years roads, robbery in
company (April 1855), 15
years roads, lipree years
in irons, John Dowlan,
horse stealing (June
1856), eight years roads.

John Edwards assault with intent to rob (Sept. 185:2), 15 years roads, three years in irons.

James Fleming, robbery in company (Oct. 1853), 29 years roads, five years in irons; James Finlay, horse stealing (Oct. 1856), 14 years roads; Christopher Farrell, highway robbery (June 1851), 10 years roads, three years in irons; John Flanigan, highway robbery (Nov. 1852), 30 years roads, four years in irons; John Fielder, bestaliny (July 1855), 15 years roads, three years in irons; William Ferguson, robbery in company, escaping from lock-up and stealing horse (Jan. 1858), 20 years roads, first two in irons.

James Gaffney, highway robbery (June 1853), 17 years roads, three years in mons; John Gleeson, hoise stealing (Nov. 1857), eight years roads.

roads.

John Harris, robbery (Aug. 1853), 12 years roads, two years in frons. James Harris, robbery in company (Jan. 1858), 10 years roads, two years in frons; E d ward Hall, stealing from a two lime (Feb. 1858), eight years roads; Laurence Hoey, highway robbery (April 1857, 15 years roads, three years in frons; Richard Hill, highway robbery (Feb. 1852), 10 years roads, James Hinter, assault with intent to rob. (June 1857, three years roads.

George Johnstone, as-

George Johnstone, assault and stealing from the person (Dec. 1857), a win years roads one year in irons Henry Johnstone, horse stealing

roads; William Jones, horse stealing (April 1853), eight years roads; Richard Jones, robbery in company (April 1855), 15 years roads, three years in irons William Jones, horse stealing and breach of prison (June 1854), 10 years roads.

Liewellyn Jenkins, uttering and forgering
15ch, 1558), nic years
roads: John King, horse
sie at ling and lorceny
(Nov. 1858), cight years
roads: James Kelly, robbery from the person
(March 1854), five years
roads: William keenitzer,
uttering and forgering
(March 1853), 12 years
roads; James Kelly, assault and robbery (June
1853), 15 years roads,
three years in lions.

John Lopon horse stealing (March 1853) 10 years roads; Stephen Lockey, unnatural offence (August 1852), death, commuted to 15 years roads, three years in Troits; thomas Lappett, robbery (Dec. 1856), 10 years roads.

robbery (Dec. 1856), 10
years roads.

Terence Murphy, robbery (Oct. 1853), 12 years
roads, three years in
irons; James Morgan,
robbery (May 1852), 15
years roads, Matthew
McDonald, breaking out
of prison and robbery
with violence (Oct. 1853),
13 years roads, first three
years in irons, William
Mack, robbery in company (Feb 1853), 20 years
roads, three years, in
irons, John May, receiving stolen goods (Oct.
1854), 24 years roads,
John McIn tyre robbery
(Nov. 1852), eight years
roads, Patrick McGuire,
assault with intent to rob
(Dec. 1854), eight years
roads.

Michael Noon, burglary (Dec. 1857), five years roads: Henry Norton, robbery in company (Dec. 183), 18 years roads, three years in irons.

Thomas Oreum, horse steading June 1856), 14 years roads, Michael O'Brien, robbery in competity Open 1854), 12 years roads, two years in irons.

James Patton, breaking into a shop "August 1 E. 9 (24 a years roads; Henry Parker, horse stealing (Sept 1854), 10 years roads

Patrick Ready, robbery, Oct. 18:33, 22 years roads. John Richardson, horse and cattle stealing of Dec. 18571, eight years roads. James Richardson, assault with intent and

burglary (Dec. 1856), 10 years roads; Bichard Rowley, pobbery in company (Feb. 1853), 30 years roads; James Regan, assault with intent to rob (Sept. 1852), 15 years roads, three years in irons; William Roberts, highway robbery (Feb. 1853), 32 years roads, five years in irons.

William Sinclair, robbery in company and assault (May 1855), 20 years roads, four years in irons; John Smit, cattle stealing (Sept. 1857), 10 years roads; Henry Smith, stealing and assault with intent (Dec. 1853), 10 years roads, irons; John Smith, assault and robery (March 1864), 10 years roads; Thomas Smith, robbery in company (June 1866), 20 years roads; Thomas Shaddock, robbery in company (Feb. 1853), 24 years roads, two years in irons.

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Charles Tlamas horse stealing (Jan. 1854). The property of the Thompson, assault with intent to steal April 1854). 10 years roads; William Turner, mapslaughter (Feb. 1857). 15 years roads, two years in irons; Henry Tyrell, robbery in company, escape from lock-up and horse stealing (Jan. 1856), 18 years roads, two years in irons; Thomas Tate, horse stealing (March 1858), eight years roads.

Charles Vernon, horse

Charles Vernon, horse stealing (Feb. 1858), five years roads.

years roads.

John Williams, robbery with arms (Oct. 1853), 26 years roads, five years in mons; John Williams, wasault and robbery (Peb. 1855), 12 years roads, two years in irons. John Williams, upobery in company and assault (May 185), 20 years roads, four years in irons; Henry Wilson, robbery from a dwelling (Dec. 1851), eight years roads, two years in irons; Fryderick Williams, breaking into a shop (Aug. 1857), eight years roads, Charles Williams, breaking into a shop (Aug. 1857), eight years roads, Charles Williams, as sault and stealing from a person (Dec. 18:57), seven years roads, first year in trois; William Warr, horse steading-Coct. 1857), seven years roads, coads.

John Young "rape (April 1855), death to 15 vears; William Young, fraud and larceny (July 1853), eight years road.

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