# Family research Mary Ann Reed 1852 - 1934 George Samson Gibb 1840 – 1875 Timothy Farrell 1853 - 1926

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## Marriages Search Results

 Registration Number	Groom's Family Name	Groom's Given Name(s)	Bride's Family Name(s)	Bride's Given Name(s)	District
1767/1872	GIBB	GEORGE S	REED	MARY A	BOURKE
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## **Births Search Results**

Name	Registration Number	Father's Given Name(s)	Mother's Given Name(s)	District
GIBB JANNET FRANCES	7906/1873	GEORGE SAMSON	MARY ANN	BOURKE
GIBB ALEXANDER JAMES B	8316/1875	GEORGE S	MARY ANN	BOURKE
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GIBB, G.S. (cont)

Children: Alexander (q.v.) born 1875; Janet Frances (born 1873 at Bourke, married William POWER 1893); Hazel May (born 1879 had two marriages: 1. to Daniel Power 18/8/97 at Bourke; 2. to Henry SHALL VY 17/11/1903 at Nyngan. She died 24/06/09, Henry died 24/05/1940. Her POWER children were Hazel and Henry.

- Hazle May Gibb birth at Bourke 10346/1879 – mother: Mary Ann. Father blank.

? GIBB HAZLE MAY	10346/1879	MARY ANN	BOURKE

## **Deaths Search Results**

Name	Registration Number	Father's Given Name(s)	Mother's Given Name(s)	District
GIBB LILA R	12541/1909	ALEXANDER	MERCY	BOURKE
GIBB JAMES R G	4807/1878	WILLIAM	DIED BOURKE	BOURKE
GIBB GEORGE S	5200/1875	ALEXANDER B	JANET	BOURKE

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## 1870 The Discovery of Copper - https://visitcobarshire.com.au/our-history

In 1870 three tank sinkers, Charles Campbell, Thomas Hartman and George Gibb, accompanied by two Aboriginal guides, Boney and Frank were travelling from Bourke to Condobolin. Camped at 'Kubbur' waterhole, near Cobar, they noticed the unusual colour of the water. The men took ore samples from the area and showed them to the publicans at the Gilgunnia Pub, a Mr and Mrs Kruge.

Mrs Sidwell Kruge had worked as a 'Balgal', employed in sorting ore in copper mines in Cornwall (UK). When Hartman, Campbell and Gibb showed her the samples taken from 'Kubbur' water-hole, she identified them as copper ore.

The discovery led to the formation of the Great Cobar Copper Mine which became the largest copper mine in Australia. At the time of its peak in 1912, the Great Cobar boasted 14 smelters, a 64 metre chimney stack and it employed over 2000 workers.

At the turn of the 19th century the population of Cobar was approximately 10,000. Mining had become the most important industry in the region and many small towns grew on the wealth generated by the Great Cobar Mine. These included Wrightville, Mount Drysdale, Canbelego, Shuttleton and Nymagee which all supported significant populations during the period 1870 - 1920.

The Cornish, Scottish & Australian Mine (CSA), is a copper mine that has seen a series of openings and closures of its site. Operational from the early 1870's, the CSA closed in 1920 when a fire broke out underground. The fire burned for 16 years and effectively ended operations. The CSA mine re-opened in 1965 and continued until 1998 when, due to market forces, it again closed. Fortunately, the CSA Mine re-opened and is fully operational once again.

### https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cobar

In September 1870 three contract well-sinkers, Charles Campbell, Thomas Hartman and George Gibb, were traveling south from Bourke to the Lachlan River. They had engaged two Aboriginal men, Frank and Boney, to guide them via the permanent watering places in the dry country between the rivers. Along the way they camped beside the Kubbur waterhole. The men noted the green and blue staining at the waterhole and collected some rock samples. On their journey further south the well-sinkers stopped at a shanty operated by Henry Kruge (at the future township of <u>Gilgunnia</u>). Kruge's wife, Sidwell, was from Cornwall and her family had emigrated to South Australia in the late-1840s and mined copper ore at Burra. She was able to identify the rock as containing copper. Sidwell Kruge's assessment was confirmed when her husband smelted some of the ore samples in his blacksmith's forge. The three men then returned to Bourke, intending to secure the ground around the Kubbur waterhole.<sup>[9][3]</sup>

In partnership with Bourke businessman Joseph Becker, Campbell, Hartman and Gibb took up a mineral conditional purchase of 40 acres at the locality. Shortly afterwards the Cobar Copper Mining Company was formed, and the lease of the mine was transferred to the company.<sup>[4][10]</sup> In May 1871 it was reported that there had been "a call for tenders for drawing in copper ore from Cobar".<sup>[11]</sup> In July 1871 a meeting was held in Bourke "of gentlemen interested in the Cobar copper mine" and shares were "eagerly bought at £15 per share".<sup>[12]</sup> By the following November it was reported that "the affairs of the Cobar Copper Mine Company are in a flourishing condition, shares having rushed up from £15 to £70 and £80 per share".<sup>[13]</sup>

In December 1871 a correspondent visited "the new Cobar copper mine" in company with Captain Lean, the newly-appointed mining manager. The mine had been in operation for the previous four months. It was situated "on a Pine ridge, and throughout the whole length of the ridge (about half-a-mile) indications of ore are apparent". The ore was varied, "consisting of blue and red carbonate, red and black oxide, and is of very high quality". The writer was of the opinion the Cobar mine "promises to be one of the richest copper mines Australia has yet produced".<sup>[14]</sup>

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The South Cobar Mining Company built a furnace at Cobar and in May 1875 commenced smelting operations. Soon afterwards two additional furnaces and a refinery were built. In December 1875 the Cobar Copper Mining Company amalgamated with the South Cobar Mining Company to form the Great Cobar Copper Mining Company Ltd.<sup>[15]</sup> It and subsequent companies operated a number of light railways<sup>[16]</sup> carrying ore and similar material, as well as timber for mine supports. Cobar and many mining outskirts accommodated the miners who travelled to the area in the late 1880s. The overwhelming majority of these were of <u>Cornish Australian</u> stock at the time.<sup>[17]</sup>

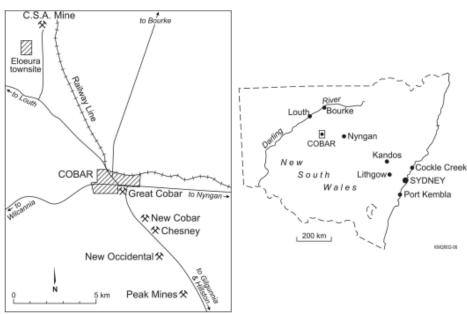
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### Hidden Copper: The Early History of the Cornish, Scottish and Australian (C.S.A.) Mine, Cobar, NSW

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Figure 1: Location of the C.S.A. mine in relation to Cobar and some other historic mines. State map shows the locations of some other sites referred to in this article.



### Discovery

In the spring of 1870 copper was discovered at 'Kubbur', an aboriginal water hole on the dusty plains between the Darling and Lachlan Rivers.<sup>4</sup> Three contract tank sinkers, Charles Campbell (true name Ferdinand Emilius Kempf), Thomas Alfred Hartman (true name Jens Arnholdt Gottfred Albrecht Hartmann) and George Samson Gibb, had been led to the water at this site by their aboriginal guides Frank and Boney, while travelling from Louth on the Darling River to Priory and Gilgunia. The party camped overnight at the water hole and noticed bright green and blue staining in the kaolin and 'raddle' on the walls of the rock hole. In the early 1860s the three contractors had tried their luck on the Victorian goldfields and were sufficiently curious to collect samples of the brightly coloured mineralisation.5 The next day as they continued south they met Henry and Sidwell Kruge and showed them the specimens. Mrs Kruge (nee Woolcock) had worked as a 'bal girl' in the Cornish copper mines and was probably also familiar with the copper ores of Burra in South Australia.<sup>6</sup> She immediately identified the samples as copper ore. Campbell, Hartman and Gibb returned to Bourke, and on the 6th of October 1870 in partnership with local postmaster and businessman Joseph Becker, they took up a mineral conditional purchase of 40 acres.7 They then returned to the Kubbur water hole to evaluate their find. A three ton sample was sent to Louth by bullock dray and then to Adelaide by river boat for testing. Joseph Becker also despatched samples to Sydney for analysis. The assays from the sample sent to Adelaide were received in February 1871 and showed 33 percent fine copper. The Cobar Mining Company was formed in late 1871 with 200 shares issued at a price of £10 per share.8 The original owners were the three tank sinkers and four leading men of Bourke, Joseph Becker, William Bradley, Russell Barton and James Smith. Becker's accountant, Alexander Ogilve was appointed company secretary. Captain Thomas Lean, an experienced mine manager, was appointed to supervise mining and arrived at Cobar with six Cornish miners on the 4<sup>th</sup> November 1871. Captain Lean had worked at the Steiglitz gold mines in Victoria and in various copper mines and operations in South Australia including at Moonta-Wallaroo.<sup>9</sup> On the 1<sup>st</sup> July of the following year the Cobar Copper Mining Company Ltd was registered with 74 shareholders and nominal capital of £20,000 in 20,000 £1 shares.<sup>10</sup> Hartman and Campbell sold their shares to Joseph Becker, but Gibb, Smith and Barton retained shares, while Bradley and Becker became major shareholders.<sup>11</sup> This company was to become the Great Cobar Copper Mining Company (Limited) following merger with the adjacent South Cobar mine in 1876.<sup>12</sup>

The discovery of rich copper ore at Cobar led to the search for similar deposits in the district. Joseph Becker with others took out claims around the initial discovery in 1871.13 In late 1871 or early 1872 Thomas O'Brien discovered a large boat-shaped gossan of brick-red iron oxides on a low rise (later called Elouera Hill) 11km north of Cobar (Figure 1). After some searching he picked up a small piece of copper carbonate.<sup>14</sup> O'Brien appears to have approached or been a member of a prospecting party set up and funded by George Gibb in late 1871 to explore for additional copper in the region.<sup>15</sup> George Gibb and his partner John Connelly (sometimes spelt Connolly) examined the find and decided it was worth claiming. It was said that they departed for Bourke very quietly in the hope of securing the ground without opposition, even muffling the hoofs of their horses with bags so that their movements might not be heard in the clear night air.<sup>16</sup> The party did not have sufficient cash to pay the required £20 deposit for a 40 acre lease, but two Bourke businessmen, Henry William Nancarrow and his younger brother Richard, were able to help them out in return for an interest. The claim was lodged on the 1st of February 1872.17 On the 27th of February a well-equipped party including Henry Nancarrow and John Connelly revisited the discovery to further evaluate the find. They returned to Bourke around the 21st of April with fine specimens of grey and ruby oxide of copper.<sup>18</sup> The four lease holders decided to put the venture into 1,000 shares and call the mine the Cornish, Scottish and Australian copper mine after their respective nationalities, Nancarrow (Cornish), Gibb (Scottish) and Connelly (Australian). They issued scrip and many started buying, although enthusiasm was dampened when Captain Lean from Cobar, visited the site but declined to pass judgement on the discovery.<sup>19</sup> The prospecting party had suffered great hardship,

including shortage of water and food, and decided to wait for rain before commencing operations.<sup>20</sup>

An early description of the C.S.A. mine was not particularly encouraging. In June 1872 Augustus Becker (brother of Joseph Becker) inspected the site on his return to Bourke from a visit to Cobar. He reported:

On returning, the road being heavy and wet, I visited the Cornish, Scottish and Australian copper mine, which is situated about seven miles north-west of the Cobar. There was no person on the ground. The mine is a recent discovery. A small quantity of ore, some of it of good percentage, lies on the ground. Only one blast has been put in the lode. I traced the 'back' of it for some distance. The country has some resemblance to Cobar. Those who have knowledge of copper mining speak favourably of it, but I don't profess to speak authoritatively myself on such matters and regretted that no one was on the ground to guide me as to its probable extent. Two practical men have been sent out to open the mine. All desirous of correct information concerning either this mine or the Cobar will obtain it from the recognised agent, Mr W. Webb, Bourke.<sup>21</sup>

### Early Optimism, Speculation and Disappointment

In 1872 the copper price (see Appx. Fig. 1) was at a dramatic high and the discoveries around Cobar sparked a local land-pegging boom from June to August.<sup>22</sup> On the 6<sup>th</sup> of July the Bourke correspondent for the Town and Country Journal noted: 'The copper mania is fast upon us but nothing positively can be said of any of the mines save Cobar'.<sup>23</sup> The following week he may have succumbed to the mania himself, reporting: 'The specimens brought in from the C.S.A. mine, or where the mine is to be, are rich and great are the expectations there'.<sup>24</sup>

In late July the Cornish, Scottish and Australian Copper Mining Company Limited was formed with a nominal capital of £40,000 in £1 shares, with power to increase to £60,000. Two hundred and sixty acres of land were taken up and two men were engaged in developing the prospect.<sup>25</sup> In early August the number of miners was increased to six and a few shares in the new company sold at auction in Bourke for £18.5s.<sup>26</sup> Also in July a group holding the northern half of the hill at C.S.A. formed the North Cornish, Scottish and Australian Copper Mining Company.<sup>27</sup> On the 7<sup>th</sup> of August the Bourke correspondent for the Town and Country Journal reported on the copper mining activities in the Cobar area as follows:

There are some fine specimens of copper ore on view from the C.S.A. Company and there is no doubt if the directors do their duty to the shareholders in an intelligent, energetic manner, there will be nothing to complain of. It is regarded by the majority of scrip holders that a mistake was made in the issue of 40,000 shares instead of 20,000. 640 acres taken up last Thursday, and tomorrow there will be another rush. The cartage of copper ore will commence directly from Cobar, many teams being put on at the C.S.A. There are six miners at work, while four times that number is needed. The lack of miners is a great drawback to the various enterprises. The work goes on too slow.<sup>28</sup>

A report from the C.S.A. mine in early September 1872 indicated that a shaft had been sunk 27 feet and black 'sulphate' of copper intersected.<sup>29</sup> The lode at both ends of the shaft was reported to be about 2.5 feet wide. C.S.A. shares were quoted at £13.10s.30 Later in the month the leading miner reported that the shaft was down 38 feet in rich lode material and a specimen sent to a Mr Twemlow of Sydney assayed 11 percent copper. However, the water supply was beginning to fail.<sup>31</sup> By this time a number of parties had pegged ground around the C.S.A. mine and a proposal was put to amalgamate these properties with the existing company. This appears to have been misrepresented to shareholders in Sydney as a forced amalgamation, necessitating a public meeting of Bourke shareholders on the 18th of September to resolve the issue.32 A number of shareholders were unhappy with the management and development of the property, with local complaints that there was not enough 'brain and muscle on the ground'. In October the company was handed over to the Sydney shareholders, with Messrs G.S. Gibb, H. Collis and W.W. Davis chosen to represent the Bourke interests. In early 1873 a new mine captain was appointed to properly develop the mine,<sup>33</sup> though, a subsequent report in the press on the 24<sup>th</sup> May gives a hint of the speculative approach of management.

The Captain of the C.S.A. has arrived at the mine but has not had sufficient time for more than a cursory inspection. From this however he has formed a most favourable opinion of the Company's property. The manager and some of the local directors propose visiting the mines after the races in order to confer with the Captain as to carrying on the work. The shaft is at present down 73 feet.<sup>34</sup>

In June it was reported that Captain Tonkin with a few miners was sinking at the C.S.A. and doing other necessary work, such as making a ground tank for water and constructing a few huts.<sup>35</sup> Progress appears to have been slow and no significant lode was discovered. In March 1874 the shaft was down to 150 feet and the Captain was 'positive that the mine will be profitable'.<sup>36</sup> After this time little was reported from the mine and it appears to have been abandoned by 1876 when the lease lapsed.<sup>37</sup> During this initial period of exploration many shallow diggings were put into the gossan, but

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unlike the Cobar mine, no significant body of rich copper ore was found in the near surface oxide zone. Many of the shareholders and Bourke entrepreneurs were also clearly more interested in making money from speculation than from mining.

In 1882 a new group under I.J.K. Cohn started prospecting at the C.S.A. and attempted to develop it as the Scottish and Australian mine.<sup>38</sup> Lack of water in 1883 forced the company to suspend operations for that year and continuing dry conditions and low copper prices during 1884 and 1885 meant that copper mining in the whole Cobar district was in a very depressed state.<sup>39</sup> Eventually in 1886 the C.S.A. lease was forfeited. The Great Cobar Copper Mining Company then took up the property and under the management of Captain R.N. Williams began further shaft sinking and prospecting.<sup>40</sup> Encouraging prospects were obtained from the gossan in 1887. By 1888, two new shafts had been sunk on narrow veins of copper ore to depths of 100 and 120 feet respectively, and drives had been put in from the old shaft but with limited results. Work was again hampered by a lack of water, there being only 6 inches of rain in 1888. On the 3<sup>rd</sup> of August 1889 the Great Cobar mine was closed following a drop in the copper price due to the failure of the Société de Metaux to corner the copper market. Prospecting operations at the C.S.A were also suspended.<sup>41</sup>

From 1895 to 1899 the C.S.A. lease was held by Henry Cornish and party. Henry was a well known Cobar identity who had held shares in the original company as well as a number of other Cobar mining ventures. He had lost his investment in the C.S.A. but obviously not his faith. By this stage the main shaft into the large gossan had been sunk to 250 feet. The gossanous lode at this level was very wide and carried a little gold all through, with occasional veins of lead carbonate. Henry's group received Government aid to deepen the main shaft a further 100 feet and to cross-cut 50 feet at that level. After carrying the shaft down to 332 feet and completing some driving, operations were abandoned, no payable ore being discovered in the still persistent porous gossan.<sup>42</sup>

https://researchprofiles.canberra.edu.au/en/publications/henry-william-nancarrow-memberof-the-cornish-diaspora-and-his-ro

**Henry William Nancarrow,** a â¿¿Cousin Jackâ¿¿ of all trades, helped finance and develop copper mining at Cobar in western NSW. Henry arrived in Sydney in 1848 aged fourteen and settled at Maitland. He started work as a farm hand was subsequently apprenticed to a baker, worked as a sawyer, blacksmith and then for the government as a contractor on roads and bridges. By 1865 he had saved sufficient capital to set up a hawking business. For five years he travelled between the coast and the inland. In 1870 he settled at the frontier town of Bourke and with his brother Richard opened a store and purchased the Old Fort hotel. After discovery of copper at Cobar, Henry helped finance a new discovery in 1872 that became the Cornish, Scottish and Australian (C.S.A.) mine. This was eventually revealed as the largest copper deposit in the Cobar region. He also invested

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heavily in the original Cobar Copper Mining Company. Henry wisely sold his mining interests in 1873 before the copper price and speculative  $\hat{a}_{i,i}$  copper mania $\hat{a}_{i,i}$  collapsed. He invested the money in property and other businesses. Henry Nancarrow is not atypical of many ordinary Cornish immigrants to Australia in the 19th century. Despite his humble background and rudimentary education, his entrepreneurial spirit, hard work and persistence in a new land of opportunity allowed him to acquire property and wealth that he could only have dreamed of if he had stayed in Cornwall. Along with similar Cornish settlers he contributed significantly to the economic and social development of Australia.

### Cobar – HOB v4 p146

6 October 1870 Charles Campbell, Joseph Becker, Thomas Hartman, and George Gibbs, 40 ac. "About 100 miles about South from Bourke and 40 miles East from T. Mathews' Selection at Wittagoone made at Bourke 31/10/1867". This was transferred 17/2/1973 to George Henry Cox and Richard Jones as trustees of the Cobar Copper Mining Co. Ltd., Bourke.

Points to note: the name "Cobar" does not feature in these records until November 1871; Campbell, Hartman and Gibbs feature on a monument at Cobar, but Joseph Becker has been hitherto neglected; all these people gave their address as "of Bourke".

J. Becker (the "King of Bourke" - see previous Volumes) took up adjacent Selections in May and June 1871, followed by another prominent Bourke businessman, Henry Nancarrow, Jnr. in August. (Nancarrow's was taken up in July 1875 by J. Becker as agent for Cox and Jones).

30/11/1871 Becker, with Daniel Alex. Byrne & Joseph Beazley took up two adjacent blocks as trustees for the Company.

1/2/1872 Alexander Ogilvie, Patrick Murray, Frederick William Mackay and Thomas Dean (?) take up a nearby selection, followed 3 weeks later by George Sampson Gibb (of the 1st. C.S.A. Selection).

23/5/1872 Ogilvie, Murray, Mackay take up two more. 30/5/1872 J. Becker takes up two more.

2 1 Feb. 1872 Henry William Nancarrow, Richard Nancarrow, George Sampson Gibb and John Connelly take up 40 ac. "about seven miles from the Cobar Copper Mine bearing about N.W. a small Hill and tree marked C.S.A. the tree to be the centre of the block."

These presumably, ("all of Bourke") are the Cornishman, Scotsman and Australian who gave to their name the mine, which has been continued on to this day.

- 3 18/4/1872 The original four, joined by James Nancarrow take up another 40 acres.
- 4 13/6/1872 H.W. Nancarrow, G.S. Gibb, William Vernon Wallace, H. Colless, J.
   Connolly "as the Committee and on behalf of the Cornish, Scottish and Australian Copper Mining Company. 40 ac.
- 5 20 June 1872 J. Connolly, E.S. Gibb, John Rough, Frances Snell, Henry Dean, Edward Tonkin, Joseph Daddow, all of Bourke. 40 ac. "about 2¼ miles a little to the East of South of Cobar, marked N." Transferred to J. Becker and Siegfried Franck 17/6/1873.
- 6 27 June 1872 Henry John Cornish, Hugh Ferry, Thomas Hartman, G.S. Gibb, J. Connelly, Bourke, "on behalf of the United Copper Mining Company" 40 ac. "about 3¼ miles about S. from Cobar", marked U, "known to the applicants as Block No. 1." Also another 40 ac. Adjoining.

- 7 27 June 1872 G.S. Gibb, Wm. Webb, H. J. Cornish, J. Connelly, H. Ferry, Bourke. 80 ac. "square block distant about 45 miles from a point of the Darling River between Gundabooka and Tooralie, direction about South. A tree marked U to be the centre of the block". Forfeited later.
- 8 11 July 1872 E.S. Gibb, W.V. Wallace, H. Colless, J. Connelly, H.W. Nancarrow, of Bourke. 40 ac. "about 1½ miles about N. E. from Mossene. A peg marked 1 alongside a claypan about the centre of a small plain to be the centre of the block applied for. Mossene is about 7 miles about N. from Cobar".

T. & C.J. p. 303. From "Bourke Tele" of 28/3/1872. "Yesterday, a well-equipped prospecting party, under the direction of Mr. G. Gibb, started for the purpose of opening the new country discovered by Messrs. Gibb & Connelly, and which we reported as taken up some time ago by Messrs R. & H. Naucarrow, G. Gibb and John Connelly. The country, which it is proposed to test, is situated about seven miles to the N.W. of the Cobar Copper Mine. The present proprietors propose, as soon as they have sufficiently tested the lode, throwing the affair open to the public, so that its real worth may not be withheld, from want of sufficient capital to give it a fair trial. The party have taken simple provisions, tools, etc. to last them over three months, so that when next we hear from them we hope to be able to report something good

## HOB v5 p23 – Harvey Barnett Reminiscenses

## Harvey Barnett was married to a daughter of James Maxwell (Joseph's brother) and Emma Lunn (daughter of Joseph Lunn) – see Maxwell file

Another grand old man who figured very prominently in the history of Bourke was W. W. Davis of Kerribree Station on the Hungerford Road about 52 miles from Bourke. He also owned a cattle station named Dundoo in Queensland. William Walter Davis universally known as Baldy Davis was a man of many parts and like many more of the old time settlers had his ups and downs. According to one of his sons he had a tone stage in his career to shear 50,000 sheep before he paid his interest, so great was his overdraft.

It would appear that he and a man named Gibb took up Kerribree as the original brand for horses and cattle was D. G. "Do dot Gee". Gibb died early in life and Davis went it alone. He married Kate Maxwell daughter of Joseph Maxwell general manager for the Bogan River Co. who lived at Karney near Toorale and there was a family of nine, six boys and three girls. The eldest boy was called Ernest Maxwell (E. M. Davis – H. G) to presume, the maternal side of the house, after him came Walter, Harry, Ebenezer, William and Lionel. Of the girls Laura was eldest then came Dolly and Kate.

Kate Hazel Maxwell was born at Bourke 1875. It must have been ANOTHER Kate Maxwell who married WW Davis at Bourke in 1870. Their first child had been born in Sydney in 1860 and another in Bourke in 1867. Many more followed. This Kate (Catherine) was almost certainly Joseph Maxwell's SISTER (born 1844) - JMF

Registration Number	Groom's Family Name	Groom's Given Name(s)	Bride's Family Name(s)	Bride's Given Name(s)	District
3855/1841 V18413855 162B	DAVIS	WILLIAM	PURCEL	CATHERINE	LG
887/1864	DAVIS	WILLIAM	O'BRIEN	CATHERINE	SYDNEY
887/1864	DAVIS	WILLIAM	OBRIEN	CATHERINE	SYDNEY
1890/1870	DAVIS	WILLIAM WALTER	MAXCOSLE	CATHERINE	BOURKE

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Name	Registration Number	Father's Given Name(s)	Mother's Given Name(s)	District
? DAVIS KATE MARION	10938/1880	WILLIAM WALTER	CATHERINE	BOURKE
? DAVIS HERBERT LIONEL	12444/1882	WILLIAM WALTER	CATHERINE	BOURKE
? DAVIS EDITH E	33224/1899	WILLIAM J	CATHERINE	NOWRA
? DAVIS FREDERICK D	14928/1884	WILLIAM W	CATHERINE	BOURKE
? DAVIS ELIZABETH M	7912/1890	WILLIAM J	CATHERINE	BRAIDWOOD

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Name	Registration Number	Father's Given Name(s)	Mother's Given Name(s)	District
? DAVIS KATE	701/1860	WILLIAM	CATHERINE	SYDNEY
? DAVIS ERNEST M	5680/1867	WILLIAM W	CATHERINE	BOURKE
? DAVIS LAURA I	6195/1869	WILLIAM W	CATHERINE	BOURKE
? DAVIS WALTER J A	7835/1871	WILLIAM W	CATHERINE	BOURKE
? DAVIS HENRY B	7591/1872	WILLIAM W	CATHERINE	BOURKE
? DAVIS EBENEZER BOURKE	8158/1874	WILLIAM WALTER	CATHERINE	BOURKE
? DAVIS AGNES JANE	8705/1876	WILLIAM WALTER	CATHERINE	BOURKE
? DAVIS JESSIE CAMPBELL MCD	2197/1876	WILLIAM	CATHERINE	SYDNEY
? DAVIS WILLIAM W	8934/1877	WILLIAM W	CATHERINE	BOURKE
? DAVIS HERBERT J	15379/1895	WILLIAM J	CATHERINE	NOWRA

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Davis was very proud of his wife Kate, who as well as being a very beautiful looking woman was a great helpmate and had she lived a longer life would probably have made a great difference in his future life. However, with a young family on his hands he found it necessary to have someone to look after them, especially as the youngest, Lionel was only a few weeks old, and he married the eldest daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Whittaker, Florence, with the result another family soon came into existence enlarging the Davis family to rather more than the ordinary even in those days of large families.

? DAVIS CATHERIN	ΝE	7071/1884	MAXWELL R	ANN	BOURKE
4402/1885	DAVIS	WILLIAM WALTER	WHITTAKER	FLORENCE JANE	CARCOAR

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DAVIS WILLIAM F	180884/2005	WILLIAM	FLORENCE	
DAVIS William Francis	180884/2005	William	Florence	
DAVIS AMIE I	12961/1892	WILLIAM	FLORENCE G	EDEN
DAVIS MARY L	7638/1893	WILLIAM W	FLORENCE J	BOURKE
DAVIS ALICE	1819/1895	WILLIAM W	FLORENCE J	BLAYNEY
DAVIS ARTHUR M	1676/1898	WILLIAM W	FLORENCE J	BOURKE
DAVIS IVY P	22929/1899	WILLIAM	FLORENCE	MOSSGIEL
DAVIS FANNY S	6760/1885	WILLIAM W	FLORENCE J	PETERSHAM
DAVIS MYRA E	18909/1885	WILLIAM	FLORENCE G	BEGA
DAVIS WILLIAM C	29186/1887	WILLIAM	FLORENCE	HILLSTON
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DAVIS JOHN W	17104/1888	WILLIAM W	FLORENCE I	BOURKE
DAVIS GLADYS M	14304/1889	WILLIAM	FLORENCE G	GOULBURN
DAVIS LEONARD J	7355/1911	WILLIAM J	FLORENCE	NYMAGEE
DAVIS THOMAS K	7566/1890	WILLIAM W	FLORENCE J	BOURKE

The eldest girl, Laura was an exceptionally beautiful girl who married Thomas Crosby, a member of a Melbourne family and who was at that time in partnership with Davis as Produce Merchants and Forwarding Agents in premises close to the Oxford Hotel, as Bourke began to show a downward trend this business was wound up and Crosby transferred his attentions to Melbourne while Davis turned his attention to Politics.

During the period of the 1890 flood Davis was a member of Parliament along with Tom Wadell and W. N. Willis. I don't know exactly when Davis first became an M.L.A. but I have been told that when he first entered Parliament there was no salary attached to it. His periods of membership however fluctuated somewhat after the A.L.P. came into existence, but he was dislodged even earlier than that point when M. E. D. Millon won the seat, and evidently after the three membership for one electorate was dispensed with, Millen however only held the seat for one session and Davis regained the seat at the next election. It was a surprise victory for Davis. Millon spent most of his campaigning time in Sydney campaigning for Mr. George Reid later Sir George, who was intermittently Premier of N.S.W. sharing the position with Sir Henry Parkes, and neglected his own electorate thinking he was a certainty for victory.

During the period Davis was out of Parliament he lived in Bourke, having lost all interest in Kerribree, which had been taken over by John Sanderson & Sons. The mortgagees, and was then under the management of Mr. E. M. Davis. The old gentleman started a produce business with his youngest son Lionel in premises earlier occupied by Whitehorn in Mitchell Street.

On regaining the seat he moved to Sydney with his family which were still quite young and lived in Shaftsbury Avenue, Strathfield (ended his working life as gardener at Government House – H. G.) that was at the end of the century and into the 1900's. At that time all of his second family were at home and were at school age.

Davis would have been an ideal man for membership of the Western Lands Board but for political reasons he was never selected for that position. Later in his career, however, the Government appointed him to the position of Appraiser of Homestead Leases with residence at Walgett and there he remained until retirement, when the then Labour Government referred to as the "Storey" Government granted him an honorarium for life and he spent the last days of a very eventful career on the north side of Sydney Harbour. His wife survived him a few years. I would like to add here something about Florrie. Without any doubt this little woman filled the role of second wife and mother to a large family with commendable distinction and honourable loyalty. It was my privilege to visit the Davis home on many occasions and when some of the first family were still at home and I could not but experience that feeling of complete harmony that always existed there.

There is still much to say about this great old man who figured amongst the early pioneers of Bourke and district. One of the most surprising things that occurred to me was that W. W. Davis' name never found a place in Volume 1 of the History of Bourke. (but see Vol. 11 - W.J.C.)

In spite of much we read of the early history of artesian boring in N.S.W. in which for some unknown reason Davis' name does not appear, the fact remains that in other circles he was given the credit of being the first man in the continent to sink an artesian bore (Officers of Kallara, Wee Whatta 1878 – H. G.)

An article which appeared in a Sydney Newspaper, most probably the Sydney Morning Herald, a paper clipping of which Lionel avis, his son, always carried in his wallet, describes Davis as having gone to U.S.A. to study artesian boring and on his return put down the first bore to be bored in N.S.W. and which was located on Kerribree Station. This was the bore referred to by the "Bard" who wrote that poem about the "90 Flood" in which he said: "and Davis sped from Kerribree From the bore he loved so well."

Davis was not a brilliant orator but he was an excellent story teller and he loved to relate some of his experiences of the early days whenever he encountered a good listener.

I recall one of his stories which might interest your readers, which was something like this.

"It appears Davis was going to a neighbouring property called Tallyalye on the Paroo. It was a two day journey and he spent the first night at Wangamana Station which joined Kerribree in those days. As he rode through the Wangamana horse paddock he noticed a very fat roan heifer amongst the small herd and she had the Kerribree brand on her rump.

On his return tip he stayed again at Wangamana Station and for breakfast next morning he was served with some very nice rump steak. On riding through the horse paddock on his way home he passed the same heard of cattle but the roan heifer with the Kerribree brand was missing so he reckoned it was some of her rump he had had for breakfast.

In the heard was a fat bullock with a bell on, evidently a worker who had had a good spell, so he cut him out of the mob and drove him back to Kerribree. Sometime later Davis had a visit from the Manager of Wangamana who found Davis in his stock yard.

After some time together the Manager said, "by the way, Davis when you were at Wangamana some time ago, did you notice a bullock with a bell on, in the horse paddock?" "We have never seen him since you were out there". "No," said Davis "but I tell you what I did see when I rode through your horse paddock on my way to Tallyalye." "Yes, what was that?" asked his friend.

"I saw a very fat roan heifer with my brand on, but she was not there when I was on my way back, but I had a very nice juicy steak for my breakfast," and, waling about all the time as he had a habit of doing, he led the manager over close to the rails and as he gave a bell lying on the ground a kick, he said – "There's your bell anyhow."

It appears the manager of that station acquired a well bred greyhound who could run rings round the aborigine's dogs in the chase after a kangaroo. On a very hot day a bullock team was standing near the homestead and the greyhound who was also feeling the heat laid under the wagon. The heat and the flies caused the bullocks to be very restless and as they moved about they ran the wheel of the wagon over the tail of the greyhound and severed it a few inches from the butt. The manager was so disgusted when he saw his prize dog without a tail that he gave it to the blacks. Now the abos could never understand why the greyhound could outdistance the other dogs so easily, so after a bit of a confab, they came to the conclusion that it must be on account of the short tail of the greyhound and they decided they would cut the tails of the other dogs.

Looking out for a suitable stump the old man of the tribe collected all of his dogs and arming himself with a tomahawk he grabbed the nearest dog by the tail and dragged him up to the stump, he chopped its tail off.

The dog was so scared he went for his life across the plain never stopping till he was out of sight. It was Bango's turn now to be scared and shading his eyes with his hands and looking after the dog who was still going, he said to the others in a rather awed tone "By Cripes, I think it I bin cut him too plurry short, he can't stop." There was another routine in the life of this enterprising old Bourkeite that I should have mentioned earlier. When he was still a Member of Parliament and living at Strathfield he won a prize in Tattersalls sweep and with the money he purchased a rather nice home with an orchard attached to it and he ventured on a Jam Making scheme with his wife's sister as the Jam Maker, but it was not a success.

W. W. Davis left a family that will always be represented in Bourke and I hope will do honour to a grand old Boukeite.

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### GIBB, Alexander.

Of "Collerina". Born Bourke 1874, died Brewarrina 18/10/46 (?47). In 1902 married Mercy ARCHER, who came to Bourke aged 10, and died 21/06/1934 aged 82. His step-brother (JMF – should be half-brother) was Ted FARRELL (q.v.). Children:

Mrs W. COLEMAN, Janet (Mrs W.F. HULL), Mrs J. TURNER, Mrs H. HUTCHINSON, Mrs E. METCALFE.

### GIBB, G.S. (cont)

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#### MINING INTELLIGENCE.

The Bourke Telegraph says : - Some short time since The Bourke Telegraph says i - Some and that that the Mr. George Gibb, who, as most of our readers are doubtless aware, was one of the fortunate discoverers of the Cobar Copper Mine, and whose faith in the mineral riches of the country between Bourke and the Lachlan is unbounded, with a spirit of enterprise that speaks well for the carrying out of anything he may take in hand, equipped a prospecting party for the purpose of testing new country. Under the director-ship of Mr. Gibb they proceeded to the country lying ship of Mr. Gibb they proceeded to the country lying between the Darling and Lachlan, where they have been prosecuting their researches with some success. We were shown a letter from one of the party, who s that they continue to discover new lodes of ter or less richness. There has been plenty of which greatly facilitates the operations of the . We have no doubt that Mr. Gibb's perseverance, ined with his practical knowledge as a miner, will in the discovery of other fields for labour and rain. discovery of other fields for labou We heartily wish him every success. ult in the dis terorise.

### BOURKE.

April 24. H. W. Nancarrow and J. Connelly returned to Bourke a few days since, from their prospecting trip, which has been attended with complete success; they have brought in some

very fine specimens of grey and ruby oxide of copper of a rich quality; the lode on the surface is about thirty feet wide, and a quarter of a mile in length, and is situated seven miles and a quarter of a mile in length, and is situated seven miles north-west of Cobar, and is surrounded by good country for retaining water, well timbered, with good box, bah, and pine. This mine is called the Cornish, Scottish, and Australian Copper Mine, and the proprietors are waiting the advent of rain before commencing operations. At present there are four prospectors, viz.: II. W. Nancarrow, R. Nancarrow, G. S. Gibb, and J. Connelly. For the present they are putting it into 1000 shares. The finders of this mine have been sub-inter the prospector in the start of contend against the grant into 1000 snares. The inders of this nine nave been sub-jected to great hardships, having to contend against the want of water and eften food, notwithstanding they have persevered most assidnously, and are at length rewarded. The copper ore is of a soft mallcable nature, the same as Cobar and a con-tinuation of the same lode. We think the finders of this rich tinuation of the same lode. We think the finders of this rich deposit deserve great praise for opening up the mineral wealth of this district, and which will tend to give employ-ment to great numbers of people. Want of water is retarding the work at Cobar, but tanks are being sunk, and that difficulty, will soon be scaled. On Friday night a servere thunderstorm from the south

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## MINING AT BOURKE.

(From the Central Australian, July 31.) MINING PROGRESS .-- The following facts are worthy of perusal, especially now, when all are so deeply interested in copper mining. On the 6th Oct. 1860, the great Cobar was first selected by Messrs. C. Campbell, J. Becker, T. Hartman, and G. S. Gibb. The selection comprised 40 acres; the deposit £20; the balance to be paid £60; improvements to be made within three years £80. Of course these conditions have been complied with. On the 25th May, 1871, Mr. J. Becker took up a 40 acre block adjoining the northern boundary of the Cobar; and on the 17th June following a block of 40 acres on the southern boundary of Cobar. On the 30th November a block of 120 acres, and one of 40 acres were taken up by the Cobar Courpany ; and also on the same date, a block of 40 acres, about 33 miles south of Wuttagoona. The total deposit money was £140; the balance to be paid in £420; and improve-ments to the extent of £560 have to be made within three years from date of purchase. In this manner we shall progress, and steadily improve the district.

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### BOURKE.

October 30.

The weather yesterday was dreadfully hot -99 in the shade. The river is at a stand about fourteen feet above summer level, but we expect more water. The steamers are on the alert for a start up, and we expect them in about three weeks,

The Council of Education has decided upon renting the Old Royal for a temporary Public school, the people paying a third of expenses occurring thereto. This is, I trust, the first

third of expenses occurring thereto. This is, I trust, the first positive step towards what we have so long needed. A meeting of the shareholders of the C. S. A. Copper-mine was held on Wednesday, when it was arranged to hand over the mine to the Sydney shareholders. The Bourke share-holders chosen were Messrs. G. S. Gibb, H. Colli's, and W. W. Davis. Other business was done satisfactory to the share-holders here, and it is to be devotedly desired that the gentle-men to whom this mine is entrusted will leave nothing un-done whereby it may be developed. done whereby it may be developed. At the Police court on Friday, before Messrs. Hughes

#### THE undersigned, JOSEPH BECKER, hereby THE undersigned, JOBSPH BECKER, Decoy make application to register the COBAE COPPER MINING COMPANY, under the provisions of the "Mining Partmerships Limited Liability Act, 1861," and I do solemnly and sincerely declare, that the following statement is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true in every particular, namely :--lat. The name and style of the Company is "The Cobar Compare Mining Contany." 1, Copper Mining Company." 2nd. The plane of operation is at Cobar near Bourko. 3rd. The nominal capital of the Company is twen'y thousand pounds, in twenty thousand shares of one pound cach. 4th. The amount already paid-up is twenty thousand founds. 6th The name of the manager is Joseph Becker. 6th. The office of the Company is at Mitchell-street No. or ADDRESS. SRARES. NAMES. Edward H. Acres Joseph Becker Mrs. Jane Becker 100 Euckamber 2550 Bourke 900 400 Ditto Ditto August Becker William Brown Bradley 3450 Ditto 400 525 Ditto Russell Barton Joseph G. Beazley Wicksteed C. Barton Ditto 300 50 Ditto Ditto Polia, Wentworth Thomas Byrne Samuel Bolitho 100 75 50 Henry Bell Henry Bell Bydney Ditto Beemery, Bourse 10 Thomas Blakey John Le Gay Brereton, M.D. 100 Sydney 300 150 100 Henry Colless Miss Arn Street Denman Vincent Powling William Walter Davis Bourke Sydney Bourke 175 100 Ditto Bydney Ditto William Dunn 409 100 John Francia Wm. Thomes Parrell Arthur F. Fitzsimmons William Forlonge Robert Maurice Hughes 100 Ditto 50 Dubbo 200 200 Bourke Sydney John Henry Hoare Ditto 100 John Hunt Gongolgan Bourke John Hawthorne 200

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## Davis, William Walter (1840–1923)

## by G. P. Walsh

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William Walter Davis (1840-1923), pastoralist and politician, was born on 5 July 1840 at Bathurst, New South Wales, son of Ebenezer Davis, plasterer, and his wife Louisa, née Brairley. At 13 he ran away from home to help to drove a mob of cattle to Burrabogie station, near Hay, where at 16 he was head stockman and developing into a fine horseman. About 1858 he went to the Bourke district as a cattle-dealer and undertook a number of successful pastoral and commercial ventures. At the Sydney Hotel, Rutherglen, Victoria, on 30 August 1861 with the rites of the Independent Church, he married a Catholic dressmaker Annie Heair. On 14 November 1870, describing himself as an auctioneer and widower, he married Catharine Maxwell in the Church of England, Bourke.

In 1874 with Alexander Ross & Co. he acquired the 600-sq. mile (1554 km<sup>2</sup>) Kerribree station fifty miles (80 km) north-west of Bourke. Davis was manager and overlanded large mobs of cattle to Melbourne and Adelaide. The firm became Davis, Dale & Co. and in 1886 purchased from <u>Mary Hannay Foott</u> and her father Dundoo station, near Eulo, in south-west Queensland. The same year at a cost of £5000 Davis put down the first genuine artesian bore in New South Wales, striking on Kerribree a 15,000 gallon (68,191 litres) flow at a depth of 1200 ft (366 m). He converted the station to sheep; it sheared up to 130,000 annually, all the wool being scoured on the property. He had disposed of his pastoral interests by 1900.

In February 1889 as a 'fairtrader' Davis was returned to the Legislative Assembly for Bourke. Defeated in 1891, and as a protectionist in July 1894 and 1895, he regained Bourke for the National Federal Party, defeating <u>E. D.</u> <u>Millen</u> by nine votes in 1898. He then joined another auctioneer Charles Richard Green, a connexion, in partnership, on 1 August; on 27 August 1900 their firm was sequestrated with debts of £1203. Davis was discharged in April 1903 after an eighteen months suspension for alleged misdemeanours. He resigned from parliament in August 1900 but in September won the by-election and held the seat until July 1904. He was defeated for the Darling in 1907. In August 1900–October 1901 he sat on the royal commission into the condition of Crown tenants [in the] Western Division of New South Wales. By 1905 bad seasons and financial losses had forced him to retire to an orchard at Beecroft near Sydney. In August that year he claimed before the royal commission on the administration of the Lands Department, not without some reason, that he and every other settler in the Western Division had been 'rack rented and plundered' by the land agency boards.

Davis was known as 'Baldy' as one side of his head had been scalded in childhood; he always wore a wig. <u>Henry</u> <u>Lawson</u> in his story 'Baldy Thompson' described him thus: 'Rough squarish face, curly auburn wig, bushy grey eyebrows and moustache, and grizzly stubble—eyes that reminded one of <u>Dampier</u> the actor ... a squatter of the old order'. He loved an argument, especially about unionism or politics, and was generally voted a hard case. Bighearted and generous (never refusing a swagman 'tucker') he had a keen sense of humour, a fund of anecdote and was a good story-teller: he himself was the subject of many a camp-fire yarn. Davis died on 14 September 1923 at his residence, Dutruc Street, Randwick, and was buried with Anglican rites in

From the mines, says the Central Australian Bourke), there is nothing important further than that ore of h jusual quality continues to be raised at the Cobar and South Cobar mines The Cobar Company have shipped 48 tons of ere at Louth, per Princess Royal, and at both mines there The state of the roads after ismore ore awaiting carriage. the recent heavy rains will no doubt cause some delay in the teams making the river. A meeting of the directors of the Cobar Company was held on Saturday last, when the follow-ing resolution was passed -" That as the ore now at grass is sufficient for twelve months, to keep two furnaces supplied and in order to save an outto pay for expenses which cannot be at present remunerative, the working expenses of the mine be reduced to L150 per month, until smelting works are erected, and that Captain Lean be instructed to reduce the staff at once, and with the labour available continue the sinking of the well, and raise as much marketable ore as possible, no other work to be consinued." We regret that the directors have deemed it advisable to take this step. It cannot but have an injurious effect upon the mind. Persons at a distance, who are perhaps not aware of all the reasons which have led to this decision, will suppose that the position of the company is scarcely as good as we who are on the spot know it to be. Besides who are on the spot know it to be. we this, the furnaces erected are suptwo be to to smelt all the ore now at grass in months, and if so, why should there not be posed tweive more furnaces erected, and the present staff of miners, who have become accustomed to the work, be centinued raising ore, when the superintendence of the mine will cost equally the same for twelve miners at work as it has done for about forty? It is to be hoped that the directors have fully con-sidered the pros and cons before deciding upon this course. The South Cobar report has not reached us in time for publcation, but Captain Goldsworthy informs us that the work is cation, but Captain Goldsworthy informs us that the work is proceeding satisfactorily at the mine, and the prospects are as favourable as he could wish. Captain Tonkin reports from the C.S.A. mine that the men will start this week to drive at the boundary shaft, as I think hat shaft is deep enough to try the lode. The ground is settled, and looks "kindly" for ore. Gibb's shaft is down 71 feet: I will go deeper before driving. United Gold and Copper Company: Captain Long The Start is the ground is settled about 35 Captain Lean reports :- " The crossent is extended about 36 feet from the shaft. The ground driven through is princiteet from the shaft. The ground driven through is princi-pally composed of alternate layers of clavsiate and quartz branches, the latter varying from 6 inches wide to 2 ft., mixed with yellow gossan, and impregnated with vitreous iron indicative of gold. A few fine specks of gold were found in the stone. The present end of the drive is now principally composed of very hard primitive fine grained quartz indicative of gold, and though none can be perceived at present, probably it may be found at the next change ad-joining the slate."

d was buried with Anglican rites in Randwick cemetery. He was survived by his third wife Florence Jane, née Whittaker, whom he had married on 12 March 1885 at the Church of England, Blayney, and by 16 of his 19 children: 5 sons and 3 daughters of his second and 3 sons and 5 daughters of his third marriage. A number of his sons settled on the land and two saw active service with the first Australian Imperial Force.

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### Occupation of Lands, Sydney, 19th December, 1873.

### RUNS OF CROWN LANDS.

1 HE fair Annual Value for pastoral purposes of the undermentioned Runs having been appraised, pursuant to the Crown Lands Occupation Act of 1861, at the respective amounts hereunder set forth,—it is hereby notified for the information of all parties interested, that new leases of such runs under the said Act will be granted, on payment into the Colonial Treasury, on or before the 19th day of February next, of the adjusted rentals for the year 1874. 2. Any of these leases of which the rent may not have been

2. Any of these leases of which the rent may not have been paid by the date above specified, will be held to have lapsed, and the runs will in due course be offered to competition as vacated.

JAMES S. FARNELL.

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Kerribree	W. W. Davis and G. S. Gibb	15		0
Maroona	David Ramsay	15	0	0

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<b>DUBSUANT</b> to an order of the Supreme Court of New South Wales, in its Insolveney Jurisdiction, made in the matter of the abovenamed Company and of the abovenamed Acts, the Chief Com- missioner of Insolvent Estates hath caused a sub- joined but to be made of the names of the several per- sons whem he buth found to be Members or Share- holders of or in the said Company, and of the number of Shares held by or ascribed or attributed to them	
respectively, a true copy of which said list is filed in the office of the Registrar in Insolvency, Supreme Court, King-street, Sydney, for inspection, if neces- sary, by the said Members or Shareholders ; and the Members or Shareholders in the said list are, if they think fit, on or before THURSDAY, the twenty fith (35th) day of February next, to come in before the said Chief Commissioner at the Supreme Court House,	
King-street, Sydney, and dispute their liability in respect of their shares respectively ; and in default of their coming in to dispute their liability as aforesaid by the time so limited, each of such Members or Share-	1
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## BOURKE.

December 12.

On Friday, about 5 p.m. Mrs. Eliza Tradgely, an old resident, whilst walking beneath the verandah of her house, fell, and in five minutes had passed into the unknown world. On Tuesday, before the shock of this death had passed away, news came that Mr. George Samson Gibb, one of the dis-coverers of Cobar Copper Mine had passed away; he had been ailing, but being a young, strong giant, no one thought that death would have struck him thus soon. He was at one time proprietor of the Central Australian, and from his modest unassuming nature, was respected by all classes. 'He was buried on Monday. attended by a large train of true friends, and in speaking of this burial, I may state, hoping it may be for the last time, that on the arrival of the previous mourning gathering, it was found that the grave was not ready for its sleeper, and a considerable time the friends and relations were kept waiting ere the solemn duty could be performed—one would think common funnanity would stir the arm of the listless in such a moment, for it is simply disgraceful that such scenes occur in a place owning churches and other places of moral persuasion.

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Name:	George Samson Gibb
Gender:	Male
Birth Date:	8 Apr 1840
Birth Place:	, Auchinleck, Ayr, Scotland
Baptism Place:	, Auchinleck, Ayr, Scotland
Residence Date:	1840
Residence Place:	Auchinleck, Ayrshire, Scotland
Father:	Alexander Boswell Gibb
Mother:	Janet Samson

1851 census: <u>https://www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk/view-</u> image/nrs\_census/3654217?image=11&return\_row=0

## HOB v11 p107 – but see v12 too (below)

FARRELL, Edmond.

Came to Australia in 1853 on "Meteor". Drowned 08/06?05/1863 while pulling a dray over the Culgoa River. Overseer at "Cocklerina" for Ramsay, Lord and McNevin. Family to Bourke 1865. Childen:

1. Timothy. Born at sea 1852. Married Mrs Mary Ann GIBB widow of G.S. He died 07/01/1926. Drover, shearer, stockman, fisherman. She died 21/06/1934 aged 82.

2. Edmond, killed by lightning when droving.

3. Mary Ann (10/10/1858-20/12/1925). Two marriages. Born Ashfield.

4. Thomas. Had "Gumbalie Hotel". Married Mary Ann REED. Died in W.A. Daughter married SHALLVEY. Edmond's (Sen) wife Eleanor remarried. Fist Thomas MUILINS, who died 1877, then possibly again (?LAWLER or FERGENSON).

FARRELL, Timothy above (See ANDREWS Family History) Children (not in order):

1. Thomas. Killed in action 22/05/1918

2. George. Born 1896. Killed in Action France 09/03/17

3. Mrs George ANDERSON. Sons Tim (of Bourke) and Jack

4. Una Elsie Marie. Married H.G. HONEYMAN. Died 09/08/49 aged 50

5. Mrs L. WESTBROOK

6. Edward FARRELL

7. Alexander James Boswell (GffiB). Married Mary ARCHER. Died October 1947

8. Janet Frances (married W. POWER)

9. Hazel May, born 1879. Two marriages: first to D. POWER (dovorced; second to Henry SHALLVEY)

Corrections – HOB v13 p55

FARRELL, Timothy (corrections to Vol XI p.47) Children, in order:

1. Thomas James born 1882, died Bourke 06/04/1884.

2. Lila Rose, born 1884, married Charles WESTBROOK, who died at Bourke 26/02/1934. She died at Orange.

3. Victoria K. born 1887 married Walter ANDERSON.

4. Timothy Oxley born 1890, d.o.w. France 22/05/1918.

5. Edwin Albert born 1892. Died at Gilgandra.

6. George Charles born 1896. k.i.a. France 09/03/1917.

Transfer 7,8 and 9 who are GiBB, from Mary Ann's second marriage. FARRELL, Edmond (corrections to Vol. XI p. 47)

4. Thomas Delete "Married Mary Ann REED" and "Daughter married SHALLVEY".

## HOB V12 p69

FARRELL, Vol XI p47. Some corrections and additions.

Edmund (Sen) was born 1828, Tipperary. Married Rossmore, Ireland 1850. First marriage: to Eleanor RYAN. He died 08/05/1863.

Children: 1. Timothy, Born at sea 10/05/1853. Married Mary Ann GIBB (nee REED),

Bourke 07/01/1888.

2. Edmund (Jun) d. 16/03/1869 at "Uteara". Born 11/10/1855

3. Thomas, born 1856, went to W.A.

4. Mary Ann. Two marriages, first 20/01/1875 to Gregory BAKER; second 1896 to Charles CAMPBELL.

5. Patrick, born 17/03/1863 at Cockelrina, died 1863.

Eleanor FARRELL remarried Thomas MULLINS, baker of Bourke (1832-1977). She married a third time.

## Marriages Search Results

Registration Number	Groom's Family Name	Groom's Given Name(s)	Bride's Family Name(s)	Bride's Given Name(s)	District
3729/1882	FARRELL	TIMOTHY	GIBB	MARY ANN	BOURKE

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## **Births Search Results**

Name	Registration Number	Father's Given Name(s)	Mother's Given Name(s)	District
FARRELL EDWIN A	7978/1892	TIMOTHY	MARY A	BREWARRINA
FARRELL GEORGE C R	2090/1896	TIMOTHY	MARYA	BREWARRINA
FARRELL LILA R	14988/1884	TIMOTHY	MARY ANNE	BOURKE
FARRELL UNA E M	11208/1899	TIMOTHY	MARY A	COBAR
FARRELL VICTORIA K	16694/1887	TIMOTHY	MARY A	BREWARRINA
FARRELL TIMOTHY O	16320/1889	TIMOTHY	MARYA	BREWARRINA

## **Deaths Search Results**

Name	Registration Number	Father's Given Name(s)	Mother's Given Name(s)	District
? FARRELL THOMAS J E	7059/1884	TIMOTHY	MARYA	BOURKE
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IN INSOLVENCY. (1884, March 28). *New South Wales Government Gazette (Sydney, NSW : 1832 - 1900)*, p. 2125. Retrieved February 10, 2022, from <u>http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article223769364</u>

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales. (18,577) IN INSOLVENCY.

In the Insolvent Estate of Timothy Farrell, of Gungolgon, publican.

### FIRST AND ONLY MEETING.

WHEREAS the estate of the abovenamed insolvent was, on the 5th day of March, 1884, placed under sequestration by order under my hand: I hereby appoint a First Meeting of the creditors of the said insolvent, to be holden before the District Commissioner in Insolvency, at the Court-house, Bourke, on Wednesday, the 30th day of April, 1884, to com-mence at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, or as soon afterwards as the course of business will permit, for the proof of debts against the said estate, and for the collection, adminis-tration, and distribution of the same ; that the insolvent may account for his insolvency ; for directing the Official Assignce

whether the insolvent will be allowed to retain for his on whether the insolvent will be allowed to retain for his or use his household furniture, wearing apparel, beds, beddin and tools of trade, or any part thereof respectively: An as it now appears that the goods and effects of the insolver available for the payment of his debts, are less in value the £100, notice is hereby given, that unless it be shown at sa First Meeting that these goods and effects exceed the value £100, the said Commissioner will summarily proceed to ran the debts which shall then be proved, and will direct the the debts which shall then be proved, and will direct the debts which shall then be proved, and will direct the proceeds of the estate to be forthwith distributed by the Official Assignee accordingly.—Dated at Sydney, the 24th di of March, A.D. 1884.

GEORGE HIBBERT DEFFELL. Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates. ARTHUR HENRY, Registrar in Insolvency. Official Assignee-FRANCIS MACNAB. 2344 8s. 6d

Apprehensions, &c. (1882, May 10). New South Wales Police Gazette and Weekly Record of Crime (Sydney : 1860 - 1930), p. 185. Retrieved February 10, 2022, from http://nla.gov.au/nla.newsarticle252052769

Timothy Farrell, publican, summoned by Sergeant Webb, Bourke Police, for permitting liquor to be drank in his licensed premises during prohibited hours, has been fined £5, and 6s. 6d. costs. Paid.

**Timothy Farrell** 

in the Australia, Electoral Rolls, 1903-1980

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			Electoral Place:	Byerock, Cobar, New S Australia	South Wales,
			Residence Address:	Bourke-street, Byeroc	k
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NSW : 1887 - 1970), p. 4. Retrieved February 10, 2022, from http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article142548633

### SEND-OFF TO SOLDIERS.

There are many families in and around Bourke and district where there is one vacant chair, its representative having enlisted. There are some who have sent two represents tives, and there are also a few who have no less than three sons either in camp, or on their way to the front. One of the latter is the Farrell family, and on Monday night last there was a great gethering of relatives, con-nections and friends at the residence of Mrs. Charles Campbell, who had invited them to join in giving a hearty, send-off to her nephews, Privates Fim, George and Eddy Farrell, only sons of Mr. and Mrs. T. Farrell, who bave lived in this district for almost half-a century.

By 8 o'clock about 30 of the lads' relations were present, exclusive of several townspeople, and each had been most graciously and hospitably received by the hostess and her daughter, Miss Winnie Campbell. Fun and enjoyment quickly rose to the maximum in the social thermometer, and music, songs, &c , kept the company in an exceedingly happy frame of mind, the soldiers themselves taking a liberal hand. They can sing some, those boys, and they sang with their hearts in their work. Sang, not only because they knew they would not have many more opportunities to meet their own before they embarked for the front to take part in the grim game of war, but sang with the en deavour of easing the intensity of the knowledge of parting which they knew was encompassing the minds and the hearts of their father and mother and other relatives. Were they downhearted ? No ! Their very enthusiasm infected the company, and it ever a happy evening was spent in Bourke, that evening was Monday last.

the care of the Almighty, and if it was His will, they would return safely and soundly. He felt very keenly the kindness that had been shown his sons and his wife and himself, and could assure them all he would never forget it while he lived.

(Cheers). Mr. Waddell proposed "Our Hostess," and expressed the opinion that her husband, Mr. Charles Campbell, who, unfortunately, was away and could not be must, would greatly appreciate the kindly action which prompted his wife to extend hospi tality to her nephews and other relations as she had done. He knew Charlie well, and knew he would be proud of it. (Applause). He then referred to Mrs. Campbell's many good qualities as a townswoman, and her untiring work in the cause of charity, which was thoroughly appreciated by her fellow citizens.

The Chairman supported the toast, which was heartily drunk, with musical honors.

Mrs. Campbell briefly and feelingly replied, thanking everybody for their attendance to assist her to do honor to "Our Boys" who were going to the war, and also for the kindly expressions to herself.

The toast of "The Chairman " was then given by Mr. Waddell, and this very happy part of the evening ended. The "Fighting Farrells" left by mail-train on Wednesday morning,

receiving a hearty send off at the station.

DO YOU ENJOY WHAT YOU EAT?

If you don't, your food does not do you much good. There is no way to maintain the bealth and strength of the mind and body except by nourishment. There is no way to nourish the body except through the stomsch. The stomach must be kept healthy,

About 10 o'clock, at the invitation of the hostess, the company sat down to light refreshments, which were quickly served and highly appre-ciated. There was also some talking. Mr. Phil Chapman was invited to preside, while Mr. James Waddell occupied the vice-chair. The three soldier boys were seated on the chairman's right, while Mr. and Mrs. Farrell sat on his left.

The Chairman quickly initiated proceedings. There was no reason for him to explain the why and the wherefore of the gathering. All knew that three brave lads were about to leave home to fight for their King and country, and he would ask them to drink first the health of "The King," whom they intended to follow.

The toast was enthusiastically drunk in hot, steaming coffee, after singing the National Anthem.

The good things were discussed, and then the Chairman gave "Privates Tim, George and Edward Farrell." During his brief speech he referred to the glorious deeds of the Anzac's, and felt sure those who were still to go to the front, including their guests that night, would, if given the chance, emulate the best work that had been done on the battle-field. He gave the lads some advice, which he knew they would not refuse to accept, and referred with sympathetic feeling to the brave father and mother who were giving their three only sons for the defence of our great Empire.

. The toast was drunk most enthusiastically, and with musical honors. Mr. J. Waddell supported the toast

in a speech that was characteristic of, him. He expressed his admiration of the sacrifice they were making, and the example they, with thousands of other lads, were setting to those who had not yet "faced the music." He also referred to the grim struggle that was going on in Europe, and felt proud of the Australians, and of the Bourke boys who joined them. (Ap-plause.) He also gave the boys some advice, which no doubt was appreciated. He wished them success, and a quick and absolutely safe return. (Cheers.)

Speeches, with reference to the lads, were also made by Messrs. J Maxwell, Alex. Gibbs, and Watty Baker, all of whom expressed the hope that the three of them would return "safe and sound."

Private Tim Farrell replied on behalf of his brothers and himself. He thanked everybody for attending to bid them farewell, and more especially his aunt, Mrs. Campbell, for her great kindness to them. He also thanked those who had spoken so nicely of them, and accepted gratefully the advice that had been given. He could assure them all that his brothers and himself would do their duty and their

very best. (Cheers.) Privates George and Eddy Farrell endorsed what their brother had said. Mr. J. Maxwell gave "Mr. and Mrs Farrell," parents of the soldiers. He said that over 40 years ago he and Mr. Farrell, both of whom were then lads, had lived and worked together. In those days, times were very rough, and there were many rough characters in the district. Often times they had to work with those rough men, yet he was glad to say he and his young friend at that time had withstood the temptations and jeers that had been thrown at them, and always worked on a straight line. (Applause.) It was therefore a great deal of pleasure to him, it warmed his heart, to see his old friend's sons exhibiting the sterling qualities of their father, and were ready and willing to fight for their parents and their country. He wished the old couple many years yet of happy life. (Cheers.) Mr. J. Inglis supported the toast,

which was heartily given. Mr. Tim Farrell, senr., replied on behalf of his wife and himself. He said he felt proud of his sons, although their absence would leave a great gap which could never be filled, until they returned. He consigned them over to FROM THE WAR ZONE. (1917, August 31). Western Herald (Bourke, NSW : 1887 - 1970), p. 2. Retrieved February 10, 2022, from http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article142386981

"I rode a donk. over to an infantry battalion last week and saw young Tim Farrell, from Bourke, and he gave me a little news concerning some of the lads from the Far West. I regretted to hear that he had lost a brother, and also a cousin, one of the Mazwells, was missing. . . I suppose you hear of the casualties far sooner than than we do here. . They are very slow getting us our furlough, and I expect it will be some time before I again grace Blighty with

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Pte Geo Farrell k.i.a. France 06/03/17 aged 21

Pte Henry J Maxwell k.i.a. 03/05/17 18 Bn. Bullecourt.

Pte Tim Farrell died of wounds France 22/05/18

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FARRELL TIMOTHY	4041/1926	EDWIN	ELLEN	BOURKE

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## Death of an old Resident:

## MR. TIMOTHY FARRELL.

Another old and respected resident of the West passed to "The Great Beyond" on January 7th, in the person of Mr. Timothy Farrell, at the ripe age of 73 years. The sad news was received with regret in town and district as the deceased was well and favorably known to all the residents of the western part of New South Wales, althougt his death was not unexpected. Still when the sad end arrives there is always feelings of regret for anyone who has earned the esteem of those whom he came in contact with—and this was the case with the late Mr. Farrell.

We learn that the deceased arrived in Bourke district about the 60's and that he was one of the early pioneers. Just a few years prior to his arrival here Mr. Willoughby Thorne came to Bourke and shortly after Mr. Joseph Maxwell and Mr. James Maxwell and we mention the names of these old townsmen as they were great associates of the deceased (Mr. Farrell) right from the time he came to Bourke.

The deceased was in Bourke in 1863 and had the sad experience of losing his father by drowning in 1864 in the big flood in the Culgos. He was proprietor of the "Old Bourke Hotel" (which stood on the site now occupied by the Royal Hotel) and which was destroyed by fire. This was the original "Old Bourke Hotel" although at a later date the Commercial Hotel was first known by a similar name, and we say this so as not to confound the places. Some years later, the deceased kept "The Lame Horse Hotel" at Gongolgon. After Death of an old Resident. (1926, January 13). Western Herald (Bourke, NSW : 1887 - 1970), p. 2. Retrieved February 10, 2022, from http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article141989429

some years he was Overseer on the Winnalabrinna (owned by the Dunlop Toorale Co.) and followed in the occupations of drover, stock rider, shearing and fishing. He had for many years past been fishing at the river near Warraweens, and very few fisherman have not heard of the particular spot where deceased camped when fishing and which was known as "Tim Farreli's Bend."

In our earlier remarks we omitted to mention that deceased was born at see, on the voyage of his parents out from Ireland. He married a Mrs. Gibbs, and besides his wife leaves a grown up family to mourn his loss, viz, Mrs. Henderson, Mrs. H. Honeyman, Mrs. Westbrook and one son Edward. Two of deceased's sons paid the supreme sacrifice at 'The Great War" which sad event caused the old couple many a sad hour.

The funeral took place on the afternoon on the 7th, the remains being interred in the Roman Oatholic portion of the local cemetery, Father Gallagher conducting the last and rites at the graveside.

To the relatives of deceased we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

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FARRELL MARY A	9951/1934	JAMES	FRANCES	BOURKE

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