

Whitbournes

The Hobart Town Gazette in Oct 1842, printed a "List of Servants arrived Hobart Town per Apolline, Saturday October 1st, 1842". Listed in occupations, they included:-

Sawyers.

John Whitbourn, m. , & 4 child. Wife a dairywoman.

Soap and Candle-maker.

Charles Whitbourn(14) . . Useful lad.

Shoemakers.

W. Whitbourn, m &3 children Excellent character.

Female Domestic Servants, unmarried, and extremely well conducted.

Jane Whitbourn, age 19. . Housemaid and plain cook.

Mary Whitbourn, age 16. . Nursemaid.

On November 25th. , the same journal published a supplemental list giving details of where these immigrants went including the wages, including board and lodging, they were to receive. Examples are:-

1st Class Farm Servants

John Batchelor, wife, and 3 children £25 per annum, wife and family included.

Sawyer

Timothy Smith, unmarried £22 per annum

2nd Class Farm Servant

J. E. Elson, wife, and 2 children 6/-per week

Female domestic servants received wages ranging from £7 to £18 per annum.

The Whitbourns were all recorded as having left the Immigration Quarters with their families on their own account. Among the children was Henry, listed in other records as aged 11 and occupation as brush maker. John Whitbourn and his wife (nee Jane Charter) brought seven of their eight children to Hobart, only the younger ones were included with their parent's details. Early in 1843, John's wife, Jane, died and the following year he married Elizabeth Cross with whom he had a further twelve children. Most of this very large family came to Victoria about 1852. Three of them married into the family of John Scott of Delvine. John Whitbourne married Ellen Scott, Henry Whitbourne married Catherine Scott, and Susan Whitbourne married Peter Scott. Two of these marriages were tragically cut short.

Henry and Catherine Whitbourne were the parents of three small daughters when he was killed when a horse fell and rolled on him while he was inspecting hurdles at the Lucknow Racecourse. Their mother later married James Murphy and three sons and three daughters were born to them.

Mary, the second of the three daughters of Catherine and Henry Whitbourne, married Joseph Evans' second son, also named Joseph. Their first child, Catherine, was born in 1881 followed in 1883 by their second, a son who was called Joseph. Four girls, Frances, Ellen, Iza and Dora followed.



Mary Whitbourne (Evans) Born July 18th 1860 at Lindenow. Died 30 April 1945 at Lindenow