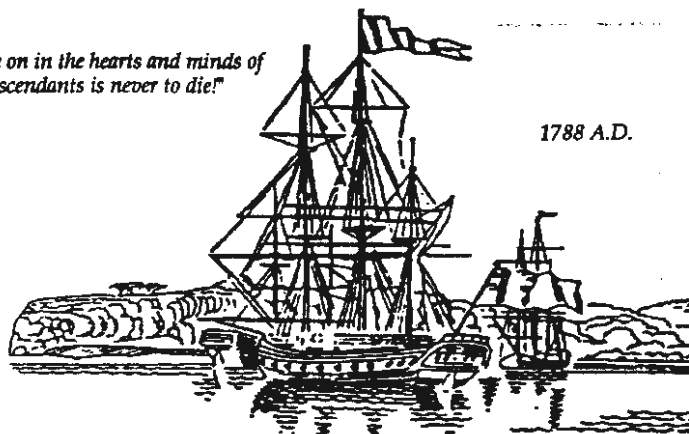


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"To live on in the hearts and minds of
Descendants is never to die!"

1788 A.D.



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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I find it difficult to raise the issues of our flag and our monarch but there is evidence of strong feelings among our members about them and there are problems arising which I feel I must address.

The Fellowship's Committee has not decided on any stand and in view of the diverse attitudes of our members, it has been by consensus seen that the Fellowship will honour the Australian Constitution as it stands on the day and the flag as has been legally chosen.

There has been several inferences that the moves towards republicanism and a change of flag emanates from the Irish-Australian community. As a person of both Irish and Anglo stock I vehemently object to this premise. If there are Australians with part or whole Irish ancestry actively promoting a new flag and republicanism, then they are using their democratic right as an Australian citizen to do so. They do not represent Irish-Australians per se though.

Personally, I assert that I am not supporting the change to our flag and I am not a republican.

I am a seventh generation Australian resident. I am proud of the families that have gone before me and successfully surmounted some of the greatest evils perpetrated under imperialist philosophies to create and sustain the most harmonious community in the world, the safest country in

which to live, and the most caring and comfortable socioeconomic environment for most of us, that God has had on this earth.

I do not foresee any improvements which will arise by way of any proposed changes.

Yours in Fellowship,

JAMES HUGH DONOHUE

**Closing Date for Next
Newsletter- 22nd July 1992**

OFFICE HOURS: 10.00am to 3.00pm
Monday through Friday

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RON MAGUIRE, Hon. Editor

COORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR FUNCTIONS

The role of this committee is to organise and coordinate the social functions of the Fellowship.

There are three sub-committees within the Activities Committee:-

1. Daytime Fellowship
2. Social
3. Excursions (Weekend)

These sub-committees organise an annual program of events.

Members of the Activities Committee are:

Activities Coordinator:
Beverley Naughton

Daytime Fellowship: Joyce Cowell,
Bernice Smart, Phyllis Selby

Social:
Alice Clarke, Ula Clarke

Excursions:
Naida Jackson, Joy Pankhurst

Activities Recorder:
Anne Davison

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY

Thursday 2nd
Get-together and Speaker
First Fleet House

AUGUST

Sunday 16th
The Rocks Walk-
full day

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday 2nd
Excursion to Hawkesbury
River & Broken Bay Cruise
- afternoon

OCTOBER

Sunday 18th
Zig-Zag Railway-full day
coach tour

NOVEMBER

Wednesday 4th
to be advised

DECEMBER

to be advised

BEVERLEY NAUGHTON,
Activities Coordinator

As set out above in respect to new methods adopted in the treatment of tuberculosis, the R. T. Hall Sanatorium became redundant as a hospital, and it was sold and is now a home for the care of backward children.

The proceeds from the sale of the R. T. Hall Sanatorium were devoted to the formation and foundation of the Heart Foundation of Australia, and it gives much pride, joy and satisfaction to know that the efforts of such a wonderful woman as my late aunt should later become the means of the formation of that wonderful organisation, The Heart Foundation of Australia.

—Victor F. Morrisby
JP (#282)

DOROTHEA JANE TOAN, MBE, JP

Dorothea Jane Toan was born at Launceston, Tasmania, on 4 May 1864, her parents being John and Dorothea Toan. She was educated in that city; the location and site is not known, but presumably in the Launceston area, as her father was the part-owner of the Cataract Flour Mill, which was situated at or near the site of the present Mill Motel, on the banks of the Cataract Gorge. This mill was a water-powered mill.

Miss Toan, after completing her education, commenced training as a nurse, when she entered the Hobart General Hospital, to graduate as a trained nurse. Nothing is known of her activities after her training in that profession in Tasmania, but it is known that she came to Sydney, where she carried on her occupation as a trained nurse.

We next hear of Miss Toan towards the close of the last century, when she was one of many trained nurses engaged in the care and attention of the population of Sydney during the bubonic plague, which was then rife in the State. I often recall my late aunt's description of her visits to the Chinese section of Sydney, bounded by Wentworth Avenue, Goulburn, Campbell and other streets in the area. Miss Toan also made reference to the work carried out in the Glebe area.

The plague having been satisfactorily contained and the city returned to a healthy state, Miss Toan took over as matron of the West Wyalong Hospital, where she served from 1901 to 1907, when she relinquished her position there and was appointed matron of the newly erected R. T. Hall Sanatorium at Hazelbrook, an open-air treatment hospital for the care and nursing of sufferers of tuberculosis, a treatment which was being carried out by a number of other hospitals of a similar nature.

Miss Toan carried on as matron of this hospital from its opening in 1908 until its closure in 1944. This closure was brought about by a new method which was introduced, which dispensed with long rest periods and open-air treatment of this type of illness.

For her work and care and devotion to the patients who suffered from TB, Miss Toan was awarded the MBE by the late King George VI, for her untiring efforts and care of sufferers, and was, in fact, the only matron in this field of nursing to be awarded this decoration.

Miss Toan passed away on 3rd June 1944, after a life of love and affection to her fellow-beings, and may her memory live long in the hearts and minds of people who were in her care.

MEMBER'S LETTER

Sadie Lock (#4319) of South Australia wrote recently to give a change-of address to the Fellowship and to tell of the birth of a great-granddaughter and another two granddaughters, twins. It was such a happy and informative missive it is sure to interest readers. Sadie's First Fleeters are Henry Kable/Susannah Holmes.

...One of my grandsons, who is in the local Air Training Corps, proudly marched in Mt. Gambier's Anzac Day march wearing his great-grandfather's little gold pilot's wings; he was the only airman in 1914-18 from the south-east of South Australia, joining the Australian Flying Corps in 1917 after serving at Gallipoli, Egypt and France as a signaller and dispatch rider. He spent the last few months as P.O.W. of the Germans when his plane was shot down over Belgium. His story he wrote of his servicelife is fascinating. His widow was the late Bertha Rackett (#670), my mother.

To add to the family tree, my granddaughter Angela Stretton (nee Patzel) and her husband Richard brought much joy to our family when their daughter, Sarah Angela Stretton, was born on the 19th November 1991 at Mt. Gambier Hospital. My first great-grandchild.

Angela was a governess on Willaroo Station, 300 miles west of Ayres Rock in 1986. She had five children to supervise and loved the work and the children.

Richard was the station's mechanic. They now live in Casterton, Victoria.

My son Eric (#4320) and his wife, Karen, had twin daughters on April 15, 1992, Jessica Rose and Rhianon Kate, in the Mt. Gambier Hospital, my 7th and 8th grandchildren.

While staying in Hobart last October with my youngest brother and while he and his wife attended their local church, St.

Matthew's Anglican Church, Rokeby, I took a walk around the churchyard. I had read the history of the church and of its Reverend Knopwood but seeing it in real life it was so much more "real." There were also three First Fleeter plaques on the last resting places of former convicts, such a restful place after such a shocking life, my time soon ran out for sight-seeing and in some places one could almost feel the atmosphere.

A guide at Port Arthur is convinced it is haunted, as she said while standing alone one night someone tapped her on the shoulder, she said it must have been friendly and says she feels as though a companion goes with her when she escorts tourists on the ghost walk two nights a week starting at 9.00pm. I would have loved to have gone but could not stay that late. If ever a place has atmosphere Port Arthur has it.

DAYTIME FELLOWSHIP

Hands up all those who realised that our column was missing from the last Newsletter. Yes it was, and our only explanation will be that the gremlins got into the workings. Luckily we had time to insert a loose notice into the Newsletters for Sydney, reminding people to join us on our trip to Katoomba on 6th May. I hope we reached everyone who wanted to go. There had been previous notice given and in the circumstances we were pleased to head off with a group of thirteen. Our train trip there became a small adventure in itself, with us having to change to buses then back to the train again, because of track-work being done. As we had some new members travelling with us we did not wish to become separated. It was a glorious day, not as cool as we had expected. After

driving about, we had lunch in the revolving restaurant and the braver ones went on the Skyway and the Scenic Railway. Some may have had aching legs the next day, after walking down to the Wentworth Falls lookout. It was a relaxing day and we were certainly all pleased to be able to breathe the purer air for the day.

Our next excursion will be a cruise on the Hawkesbury River, leaving from Brooklyn, on Wednesday, 2nd September.

On Thursday, 2nd July, we have our meeting at headquarters, First Fleet House, and because of the success last year, we will again serve soup and damper. Cake will also be provided. Actor Brian MacDonald, well-known raconteur of our city, will join us for lunch, then show us a humorous aspect of our early days with his talk

"Bailups and Bushrangers." Brian can be heard on a regular basis on the Brian Wilshire program on 2GB of an evening.

Arrangements are already in hand for our Christmas luncheon. At our last meeting some members expressed a wish to add a little more interest to the occasion by trying some place new to us. Accordingly we have taken heed and are busily comparing menus, venues and prices.

We hope to see a good roll-up of our members for the next meeting and the talk by Brian MacDonald. Details are again below:

Where: First Fleet House

When: Thursday, 2nd July. 11.30am

Cost: \$2.50

BERNICE SMART

WAGE INCREASE BASED ON PRODUCTIVITY

GOVERNMENT
AND GENERAL ORDER
(Colonial Secretary's Papers)

22nd December, 1810.

His Excellency the Governor having received an application from the Principal and Assistant Chaplains of the territory of New South Wales, representing that in consequence of the increase of population of this country, and the great accession to it of free and independent settlers, the various parochial duties which they have now to perform are accumulated in a like proportion, and thence intreating His Excellency's authority, to demand and receive for particular duties certain surplice fees, agreeably to the usage of the Church of England.

His Excellency having paid all due attention to the said application, and taking it into his consideration the rank and prosperity of the numerous settlers now in this country, deems it reasonable, and an act of justice towards the chaplains, to authorise them to receive certain surplice fees from free persons only.

His Excellency therefore authorises and empowers the said Principal and Assistant Chaplains, from and after the 31st day of the present month of December, to demand and receive on all marriages, christenings, churching of women, and funerals, the several fees specified in the following table, namely:-

	L	S	D
Marriages by License-clergyman	3	3	0
do. do. clerk	0	10	6
do. do. sexton.. ..	0	5	0
do. by bans-free persons-clergyman	0	10	6
do. do. do. bans	0	3	0
do. do. do. marriage	0	3	0
do. do. do. sexton.. ..	0	1	6
Christenings, for registering-clerk ..	0	1	0
do. free persons only-clergyman	0	1	0
do. do. do. clerk	0	0	6
do. do. do. sexton	0	0	6
Funerals, free persons-clergyman ..	0	3	0
do. do. clerk	0	1	0
do. do. do. bell	0	0	6
do. do. do. grave-digger ..	0	2	6

His Excellency at the same time enjoins the said Principal and Assistant Chaplains, as an act of reciprocal benefit to all classes of the society, to keep, or cause to be kept, exact registers of all marriages, christenings, churcing of women, and funerals, which they may in future perform, and make a correct return thereof once in every quarter to the Secretary's office at Sydney; and said registers are required to

contain the marriages, christenings, churchings, and funerals, as well of all convicts and prisoners as of free people.

His Excellency further authorises the said Chaplains to dismiss or otherwise punish the grave-diggers within their respective parishes who shall demand or receive any larger sum for the digging of a grave than that described in the foregoing tables

of fees, or who shall neglect to make the graves of a suitable depth, as well for the sake of decency as of preventing any noxious vapours or effluvia arising from thence to the offence or injury of the society. His Excellency strictly enjoins the Chaplains to pay the fullest attention to this very important subject.

Lachlan Macquarie.

OUR FLAG

The current unwarranted outbursts by the Prime Minister on the subject of a new design for the Australian flag, with particular emphasis on removal of the Union Jack from any configuration points up his dislike - to put it mildly - of the monarch and any association with Great Britain.

Instead of turning his political activities to the financial woes, unemployment figures and trade difficulties of this nation he has embarked on a side track course which could almost lead to a civil war and certainly loss of the next election. Yet the members of his party permit him to do this knowing it means political suicide.

The present flag was selected from 30,000 designs submitted at the time of Federation at the turn of this century and its choice has been fully vindicated by events over the past 92 years. How could it be bettered?

Its blue background represents the oceans and seas which lap our shores and which carried to Terra Australis our early discoverers and which over the past two centuries has borne the exports and imports by which we exist and the ships of war and armies deployed for the defence of this continent.

The Southern Cross is a most apt feature; although that constellation nightly passes over three of the world's continents it is only Australia that is known as "The land of the Southern Cross"; the others, Africa and South America, are too fragmented nationally and politically,

and under too many flags, for any of their countries to have similar claim on the "Cross."

It must have been a navigational aid to Captain Cook in his Pacific explorations and to the First Fleet in finding its way to Botany Bay; and how its 700 convict passengers must have watched it and wondered what future lay beneath it for them.

In World War II, to the thousands of Australian prisoners-of-war in South-East Asia its sighting must have been a heartening reminder that it daily looked down on their homes and families.

It is the inclusion of the Union Jack in the flag which raises the most contention especially among those people and their descendants who came to Australia after the last war as displaced persons, from Nazi labour camps and from among our former enemies in Germany and Italy. Most had abolished monarchies and see no reason why they should now pay allegiance to a symbol of royalty.

How can anyone forget that 52 years ago Great Britain, under the Union Jack, stood virtually alone against operations planned by Hitler and his staff for the invasion of England.

Forced out of Norway, her Continental allies defeated and under Axis occupation, evacuated from Dunkirk leaving a vast amount of armament, ammunition, transport and fuel in enemy hands and with our American cousins largely

isolationist and at the time, unwilling to join in a shooting war, the British lion, although badly mauled, still packed enough sea and air power to cause enemy cancellation of his "Sealion" cross-channel invasion.

Had Great Britain suffered invasion and capitulation what a different world we would now be living in.

Those who would remove the Union Jack from its position in the Australian flag should be reminded that the flag of the American State of Hawaii carries the Jack in similar conformation in recognition of British Captain Cook's discovery of that island group and the Hawaiians are proud to have it there.

And had Captain Cook not hoisted the British flag on Possession Island near Cape York in 1770 and proclaimed ownership of the east coast of the Continent for the British Crown we could well be a Dutch, French, Spanish or Portuguese nation living in a "banana" republic.

The one acceptable change to an Australian flag related to the white ensign of the Royal Navy flown until recent years by the Royal Australian Navy. The Cross of Saint George was replaced by the blue stars of the Southern Cross but with no change as regards the position of the Union Jack.

B. E. WESTON,
#964

REMINISCENCES OF ERNEST HUXLEY

as Jockey, Trainer and Owner

Some issues ago the first part of a story that may be expressed as part of the history in Australia of the Sport of Kings was published. This story is the reminiscences of Ernest Huxley, a well-known jockey of his era and a member of the Family.

Horse-racing, rightly or wrongly, has always been a force in the makeup of Australians - no better illustration of this is the stopping of a nation on the first Tuesday in November for a horse-race, the Melbourne Cup.

It is hoped that the continuation of these reminiscences will be of further interest to the members.

Ernest Huxley continues...

A Poor Sailor

Shortly after my thrilling experience with Percy, which I referred to previously, my father received a letter from Mr H. B. Hales, the American trainer, who afterwards prepared the dashing New Zealand horse Maniapoto for Mr H. E. Good when he won the A.J.C. Metropolitan in 1905, after failing to show up in the Epsom Handicap two days earlier. Mr Hales asked that I should be permitted to ride his horses at the two-day meeting of the Bega Race Club, to be run on January 14 and 15, 1885. Permission was granted, and hasty arrangements were made for my departure to Circular Quay to catch the ship, my brother Bill being entrusted to see me safely on board. This duty he faithfully discharged when he handed me over to the care of the steward. The steward had a worrying time, as I was seasick shortly after leaving Sydney Harbour.

At last, washed out and weary, I arrived at Bega, and I was met by Mr George Freeman, a friend of my father. He was a well-known bookmaker, who took me to his home, where I was treated as one of the family. Such kindness was showered upon me that it left a lasting impression.

Bolt Through Maize

Next day was a "red letter day" to me, as I made my debut on the Bega racecourse, when I rode Lady Fleetwood for Mr H. B. Hales in the cup, which, however, was not devoid of excitement, for, when doing her preliminary, Lady Fleetwood took advantage of my weakness by bolting through a crop of maize growing in the centre of the racecourse, fully six feet in height. Both of us at times were lost to view except when my cap was seen bobbing up. It was with the greatest difficulty that I

checked her from running headlong into the river nearby. After this escapade her manners showed marked improvement, and I was lucky to escape being fined two pounds for having delayed the start some fifteen minutes.

Once in the hands of the starter, she was full of life and vigor, and almost unseated me when she jumped into her stride some two lengths in the lead, which advantage was increased to 10 lengths when she passed the winning post ahead of her stable companion Oscar, carrying B. Suttle. This was my only ride at the meeting, and a cup victory at that; the distance of the race was one mile and three-quarters. She started an even-money favourite.

Mr Blackman, who owned Oscar, plunged on the double, backing Lady Fleetwood for the cup and his gelding for the Town Plate on the second day of the meeting. Both horses I should have ridden, but I was not strong enough to handle Oscar, he being a strong gross horse. My place was taken by the stable boy H. Smith, who rode him into second place, carrying 14 lb over weight. Mr H. B. Hales also trained Tantawanglo, Princess of Lorne, a wonderful mare who could do her seven furlongs in those days in 1.28, and Hilltop, a beautiful black son of Maribyrnong who, in addition to being a good winner, ran a slashing race in the A.J.C. Metropolitan of 1884, suffering defeat from the New Zealander Sir Modred, who before this had won the Canterbury J.C. Derby Stakes and the Dunedin Cup. Hilltop afterwards found his way to Victoria and carried the cardinal and white sleeves of Mr Morris Jacobs, a well-known bookmaker in Victoria. He had to be content with second place in the Geelong Cup of 1886, his vanquisher on this occasion being Mr John Whittingham's bay horse Claptrap, ridden by the late Mo Trahan.

Tom Payten

One of the best men I ever knew was Thomas Payten, who, when I first became associated with the late Mr Michael Fennelly at Newmarket Villa, was his foreman.

Payten was born in 1857, and reared at Menangle, near the famous Kirkham stud, owned by Mr James White. While still a youth, in 1876, just before Chester won the Victoria Derby and Melbourne Cup, he found his way to Sydney where he was appointed to a position in the horse bazaar belonging to Mr Fennelly in Pitt Street, succeeding another well-known sportsman, Mr J. McGrath. Mr Fennelly also had

charge of some hunters and jumping horses belonging to Mr White, Hotspur and Goulburn being among their number. It was with these that Payten first came into the racing circle. They were quartered at Redfern, near where Mr James Monaghan had his stables.

In 1878 Mr James White won the A.J.C. Metropolitan and Sydney Cup with the Gemma-di-Vergy horse, Democrat, and, being so elated with the victories in these important events, he decided to remove his horses to Newmarket Villa, an ideal home with its well-kept flower beds and shrubberies. Thus began Mr White's brilliant career on the Australian and English turf.

Huge Betting

Reverting again to Chester, this horse won for his owner 20,000 pounds in one bet from Joe Thompson, Mr White accepting that sum to 400 pounds about the double. In those days bookmakers used to settle opposite the Bank of New South Wales in Collins-street, and on this occasion this large sum was paid over by Mr Thompson to Mr White's stable commissioner, Mr Septimus Stephen of Sydney, father of Mr Colin C. Stephen, chairman of the A.J.C. Committee. The incident caused much interest.

On the death of Mr Michael Fennelly in 1886, Tom Payten took over Mr White's horses, and set up as a trainer, a position he thoroughly earned. He was admired by every sportsman who had the good fortune to be acquainted with him. He trained the winners of five A.J.C. Derbys, four Victoria Derbys, seven A.J.C. Champagne Stakes, five V.R.C. St. Legers, five V.A.T.C. Debutante Stakes, six Australian Cups, two V.R.C. Oakes, five Caulfield Guineas, two A.J.C. Epsom Handicaps, two Sydney Tattersall's Cups, one Caulfield Cup, one V.A.T.C. Futurity Stakes, one V.A.T.C. Oakleigh Plate, four V.R.C. Champion Stakes, three A.J.C. Metropolitans, three Sydney Cups, two V.R.C. Ascot Vale Stakes, one V.R.C. Maribyrnong Plate, and a large number of other races. These victories included horses raced by J. B. Clark Syndicate, Mr Agar Wynne, Mr W. Bailey, Mr James White, Sir Adrian Knox, Mr J. N. Hart, Dr Ewan R. Frazer, and Messrs C. Barlow and J. R. Smith. Tom Payten was a successful breeder of thoroughbred stock, some of his best being Great Scot, Dewey, Iolaire, Scot Free, Koopan, Melodrama, Brakpan, Grasspan, Peru and others.

(To be continued)

Sydney Gazette,



AND NEW SOUTH WALES ADVERTISER.

Published by Authority.

PROCEEDINGS of the COURT of VICE ADMIRALTY Monday, Nov. 26.

The Precept being read, and usual formalities gone through, Mr Richard Sparrow Foster, commander of the private ship of war called the Policy, of and from London, presented to the Court a memorial, stating his capture of the ship Swift, on the 12th day of September last, off the island of Floris, she being under Dutch colours, bound to Batavia, and the property of a Power at war with His Britannic Majesty; And praying also, that in consideration thereof the Court would be pleased to grant an award of condemnation in his favour, in behalf of himself, his owners, and ship's company, in order that the said prize should be sold for their use and advantage.

In confirmation of what Captain Foster had set forth, evidence were called upon; viz.

Mr Frederick Lelahs said he was a native of Denmark; and had occupied the office of chief mate on board the ship Swift; that the said ship was captured as aforesaid, after making resistance, and several guns being fired on both sides; that she had been commanded by Richard Portvelt, a subject of the Batavian Republic, whose usual place of residence was Batavia, where his family lived; that she sailed under Dutch colours, and he verily believed the said ship with her tackling, cargo, and everything on board to be Dutch property; that the said ship belonged to Messrs Wintz and Talman, residents of Batavia, who purchased her for the sum of 18,000 dollars: that she was taken up by the Dutch East India Company at Batavia to transport commodities to Amboyna, and in her way thither became a prize to the Policy, in Latitude 8 deg. South, 121 deg. East Longitude.

Other testimony was also taken, all which corroborated and exactly corresponded with the foregoing.

The Court cleared; and at reopening the Judge declared the opinion of the Court, that the said ship or vessel Swift was a lawful prize to the private ship of war Policy, commanded as above; but suspended the definitive sentence of the Court until Tuesday morning.

Captain Foster then presented a second memorial, stating to the Court his having on board his ship a quantity of wax, taken out of a brigantine named the Trawl, captured on her passage from Copang to Batavia, and laden with the above commodity; praying by the said memorial a right to dispose thereof as being a lawful capture made by the ship Policy from the subjects of the Batavian Republic.

The Serang, or boatswain of the Trawl gave evidence in support of Captain Foster's claim; said the vessel and her cargo were the property of a Chinaman born at Batavia, and always sailed under Dutch colours.

This being supported and confirmed, the Court cleared a second time; and upon reopening the Judge declared as before.

The Court reassembled on Tuesday; when condemnation was pronounced, and the prize and cargo, together with the wax out of the Trawl, were declared to be the property of the captors.

SALE BY AUCTION

To be Sold by Auction

By Mr LORD,

At his Warehouse in Sydney,

On Tuesday next, the 3rd of November, at twelve precisely,

[If not previously disposed of by Private Contract]

The Good Ship SWIFT, PRIZE to the POLICY Letter of Marque, of London, CHARLES FOSTER Commander.

Taken on her passage from Batavia to Banda and Amboyna; French built; in the year 1800 was condemned a Prize to His Majesty's ship La Minerve, and sold in 1801 to the Americans (as appears in her Bill of Sale) and by them sold to the Dutch at Batavia, where she was examined, copper-bolted, demar'd, and new coppered in August 1803.

It is unnecessary to say anything respecting the properties of the SWIFT, further than that she was the companion of La Brave and La Mouche, which so very much annoyed the British Commerce in Europe, and set all our Cruisers at defiance until her capture; prior to which she was justly celebrated the fastest sailing vessel the French Republic had.

She is abundantly found in all kinds of useful stores (as will appear by Inventory to be had at the Place of Sale, or on board the Policy); and may be sent to sea at a trifling expence: To be taken with all faults, if any.

ALSO

FIVE SMALL MEDICINE CHESTS Fitted up from Apothecaries' Hall, suited to Small Vessels or Families, with printed Directions, etc.

PRIZE GOODS.

To be Sold by Auction

By Mr LORD,

On Wednesday next, 5th of December instant, and the Following Day,

SUNDRY PRIZE GOODS, being the

CARGO of the SHIP SWIFT,

Prize to the POLICY, Charles Foster

Commander:

Consisting of the Following Valuable Articles, viz.

Nails of different sizes

Spades and Hoes

Blue Cotton Kersey-wove Cloths

Red and Blue Gurras

European Canvas

Tea in Chests

Sugar in Canisters

Salt Beef in Hogsheds
Coffee in Casks, and Tar.
The Sale to begin each Day
at Ten o'Clock.

In consequence of the short time Captain Foster intends to remain in this Port, and his instructions to Mr Lord, it becomes absolutely necessary to signify to the Public, as the established Conditions of Sale, that a deposit of 20 per Cent be made on each Purchase, and the remainder of the Purchase Monies paid, and the Lots cleared out on or before the 14th January next, or the deposit may be forfeited.

The Payments must be made in Cash, or in Government, Paymasters', or such consolidatable Bills as Captain Foster may approve of.

NATIVES

Last week in consequence of His Excellency's despatches to T. Arndel, Esq. Magistrate for Hawkesbury, a body of Settlers, fourteen in number, went in pursuit of the Natives that had committed numerous outrages at Portland Head; and separating into two divisions, one party, seven in number, led forward by I. Phillips, who was best acquainted with the travel through the brush, proceeded towards the Mountains, and at length came up with forty or fifty of the hostile savages, who had a quantity of property of which they had stripped the Settlers; these retreating towards a cluster of Rocks formed a junction with another group much more formidable, completing in all about 300. The few Settlers, agreeable to their instructions, endeavoured to ascertain their motives for the acts of depredation and cruelty they had committed; to which end they offered a parley and interrogated them whether they had been ill treated; but all they offered in their justification was an ironical declaration that they wanted and would have corn, wearing apparel, and whatever else the Settlers had; then throwing down a flight of spears, compelled the pursuers, in their own defence, to commence firing, in hopes to intimidate their assailants, but without the desired effect; and tho'

several must have been wounded, yet the great body hovered round the Settlers party, three of whom were laden with the most valuable part of the spoil which they had taken from the forty at first fallen in with, and under cover of the fire of the other four, got into Richmond Hill without receiving a spear wound.

Late accounts state that they still continue their ravages, and that another European had been speared at the beginning of the week. Two of the most violent and ferocious were shot at: the Green Hills by the Military detachment sent to the relief of the settlers, whose self preservation requires that they should ever be on the alert to counteract the mischievous designs of the savage and unfeeling enemy.

LUCKY NUMBER COMPETITION

A chance to win a copy of -

THE SECRET HISTORY OF THE CONVICT COLONY *by Dr Robert King*

Alexandro Malaspina's report on the British settlement of New South Wales that is most interesting, informative and well-illustrated.

Tickets 50 cents each or
five for \$2.00.

A set of five tickets is
enclosed.

Please write name and address on each butt and return with payment. You may purchase extra tickets on request.

TO BE DRAWN AT THE A.G.M.

There is no compulsion to participate, and we apologise to any member who may be offended.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

29th March to 20th May 1992

We extend a warm welcome to members who joined during this period - six adults, three juniors, and three spouse associates.

OWEN CAVANOUGH -
MARGARET DARNELL: Mr Peter Gerard Rocks.

THOMAS CHIPP - JANE
LANGLEY: Mr Rodney Aston Davis
(sp. Mrs Margaret Jeanie Davis).

PHILIP GIDLEY KING: Miss Hannah Elizabeth Reedy (jun.).

FREDERICK MEREDITH: Mr Ian Stanley Beazley (sp. Mrs Dianne Margaret Beazley).

ANTHONY ROPE - ELIZABETH
PULLEY: Mr Donald Keith Alland.

ROBERT WILLIAMS: Mr
Christopher John Staples.

JAMES WILLIAMS: Mr Garry Charles Dowers (sp. Mrs Kerrie Louise Dowers). Mr Jake Charles Dowers (jun.). Mr Lewis William Dowers (jun.).

BUY A BRICK DONATION

We wish to record appreciation to the following for donations to the Fellowship's "Buy a Brick" Fund. These names have been recorded in the Donor Book in the Library at First Fleet House.

J. H. Brown and Family, E. Canning, Friends of 1st Government House Site, S. Knight, V. I. Knight, W. J. Lamrock, B. Stone.

BIRTHS

A warm welcome to the following New First Fleeters:

HANNAH ELIZABETH REEDY 16th October 1991, F.F. Philip Gidley King. First born daughter to Alison and Brett, granddaughter to Elizabeth (#966) and Peter Quinn, great-granddaughter to Ellen (#1539) and Alan McCarthy.

OBITUARIES

Deepest sympathy is tendered by the Fellowship to the relatives and friends of the following:

GLADYS MAY POTTER (#2575), F.F. Richard Partridge/Mary Greenwood.

Died 19th January 1992. Beloved mother of Margaret Armstrong (#2493).

CLARENCE WILLIAM HOWARD (#3568), F.F. Caroline Laycock/2nd F. Mark Turner. Died 13th April 1992, aged 94 1/2 years.

Clarence, known always as Clarrie, was born at Inverell and went to live at Ashford, where his father owned a sawmill. The sawmill was relocated to Cannon Creek, Mt. Edwards, and in 1922 to the Summit, near Stanthorpe.

In 1916 he enlisted with the 25th Australian Infantry Battalion, 7th Brigade, 2nd Division, 1st A.I.F. He was wounded in France on 5th November 1916 during the battle for Flers in the Somme campaign. A shell blast blew a piece out of his arm and it was only the expertise of an English doctor that saved the arm.

In 1918 he married Myrtle Strachan of Kalbar and they had three children, Keith, Maureen and John. Myrtle died after a long illness in 1946.

Clarrie married Anne Luckman in 1948 and for many years conducted a mixed business in Woody Point.

On their retirement, they became keen caravaneers and made many friends during their 26 years of travelling throughout Australia; they always migrated north during the winter.

Clarrie sadly parted with his Humber Snipe and caravan and handed in his driving licence on his 92nd birthday.

Clarrie was blessed with very good health, which he attributed to life on the road. His death following an operation for appendix was a great shock to his children and stepchildren and their families.

The family had lost its patriarch.

ADVERTISING IN 1805

The following is a selection of advertisements which appeared in the Government Gazette and Advertiser circa 1805. In many ways they differ little to those of today in, say, The Sydney Morning Herald. As well as exhibiting wares for sale they also served the purpose of distributing news. The early newspapers - even up until World War II - had advertisements, particularly shipping notices, on their front pages. Don't forget, Australia was an isolated island nation and the most important news was about shipping movements.

To be Sold by Auction

By Mr. Lord,

On the Premises, on Monday the 14th of January, 1805, at One Precisely,

The Valuable Farm and Premises known by the name of the Brush Farm, consisting of Two Hundred Acres, Approved bills only will be received in payment and 3 months Credit on good Security.

Wm. Tough. Treasurer.

WANTED,

Six Seamen or able Landmen, to proceed to the Islands in Bass's Straits for the purpose of procuring skins and oil, under a permanent engagement with and in the employment of Mr. Lord.

Freemen without any incumbrance who may wish to embark in so beneficial a line of employ, are to make application without delay at the warehouse of the Advertiser.

NOTICE.

All Persons having any Claims or Demands on the late THOMAS SMYTH, Esq. are desired to give them in to the Judge Advocate's Office as early as possible.

N.B. This Notice has no reference to any Claims on him as Provost Marshal.

To be Sold by Private Contract,

And possession at Pleasure,

A Valuable Thirty-acre Farm, situated in the District of Kissing Point, the property, and in the present occupation of

WILLIAM FURBER;

The whole cleared, and has been in cultivation the present person; upwards of 300 fine and choice fruit-trees three to five years old upon the grounds; excellent plantation of potatoes and vegetable of all kinds, two stock yards, and every other necessary appurtenance. There is an excellent shingled Dwelling House, and other offices complete.

Particulars known on the Premises.

STOLEN or STRAYED,

A Young black and white English Terrier, cropped; answers to the name of DOWERS.

Whoever will bring him to Mr. Savage, at Parramatta, will be rewarded for their trouble; and any person detaining the Dog after this Notice will be prosecuted.

NOTICE.

The Trustees for the Management of the Estate of Mr. WILLIAM COX request a Meeting of the Creditors at Mr. S. Lord's, on Monday the 24th Instant, at nine in the morning, to consult upon the Disposal of the remaining Effects belonging to that Estate.

(Signed) Wm. Tough. Treasurer.
Sydney, Dec. 15.