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FROM THE PRESIDENT

The following members were elected to the Executive Committee at the November meeting of that body... Miss Jean Monk and Mrs Yvonne Bullock. Both members are keen workers in the office during the week, and we look forward to their contribution in the future.

The Executive is negotiating the purchase of a property quite close to the city. Our existing accommodation, to say the least, is not only tenuous, but also quite overcrowded and has become unsatisfactory for the smooth running of our organization.

Committees have been formed in the Newcastle and Lismore areas with a view to the setting up of a Chapter of the Fellowship in these regions. We wish them well and hope to have some news of their activities in the next Newsletter. Whilst on the subject of Chapters, there appears to be an organization in Tasmania calling itself "The Tasmanian Chapter of The Fellowship of First Fleeters." We would like to advise our Tasmanian members that this body has no links with us whatsoever, although they seem to parade in our colours. In response to a query made to them by your Executive, we were informed that the "Chapter" also represented 2nd Fleeters, 3rd Fleeters, 4th Fleeters (who were they?) and Norfolk Islanders. It would be interesting to discover just how they process membership?

Publicity was given in the pages of the Sydney Morning Herald over a letter I had written to the Premier of NSW on behalf of the Executive. We still do not have any information, but there will be an insert in this Newsletter on our activities on Australia Day, after the Executive has discussed the matter fully at its December meeting.

January will be a busy month and regardless of the fact that I received a rap over the knuckles from one disgruntled member re repetitiveness in the last Newsletter, here is more repetition and it is probably on another page in this publication!!!

January 9th *Bicentennial City Parade (see special notice)*

January 23rd *Manly Colonial Day. Meet at cnr Sydney Rd and Pittwater Rd.*

January 24th *Colonial Church Service, Holy Trinity, Garrison Church, The Rocks. Please assemble 10am Argyle Place... FFF Banners and Family Banners will process into the Church at 10.30am. After the service there will be a Procession to Customs House Square for a short Memorial Service to our Pioneers.*

January 24th *St Marys Cathedral is the venue for an Australia Day Mass taking the form of an Australian Liturgy.*

January 25th *Fellowship Australia Day Dinner (see notice).*

January 26th *THE DAY. See STOP PRESS INSERT.*

January 30th *Plaque Ceremony (our first of many in the Bicentennial Year) at Sackville Reach. We join with the descendants of Ann Forbes at their Family Reunion.*

The above constitutes our official celebrations. The ferry trip to view the Fleet at Botany Bay has been booked out.

The Christmas Cards and Calendars have been well received. The latter sell for \$5.50 each or \$7.00 posted. It is a magnificent print of our painting of the First Fleet, so be sure not to miss out... well worth framing later.

I am happy to report to you that our Archivist, Joyce Cowell, is making good progress after her recent major surgery. She has been back at her desk for the past two Tuesdays and we hope to see her over the January festivities. In the meantime we are indebted to Mary Hope-Caten for her role as Acting Archivist over an extremely busy period.

December was the busiest period ever in our history when over 200 members, juniors and associates were processed into the Fellowship ranks. The Membership Committee is to be congratulated on its efforts, and members, please, if there is a mistake in spelling etc in your certificate, send it back in the knowledge that any mistakes will be rectified. We did receive one irate and abrasive letter re a mistake... there is no need for this; after all, our members in the office are voluntary workers and the person who never made a mistake... never made anything.

The office will be closed between the 19th December 1987 and the 4th January 1988.

May I take this opportunity in wishing you all the Blessings of Christmas and may we all have a Happy, Prosperous and Fulfilling Bicentennial Year.

IN FELLOWSHIP
Peter Christian

HARNESS RACING AND THE FELLOWSHIP OF FIRST FLEETERS

The Fellowship has been invited to take part in trackside presentation for the Foster's Bicentennial Sires Stakes series by the Harness Racing Authority of New South Wales. As most of the meetings are in country areas this is a great opportunity for country members to be involved in a Bicentenary event as representatives of the Fellowship.

If you are interested in participating in the trackside presentations at any of the following meetings please contact: **Mr. K. Maciejewski, Club Liaison Officer, Harness Racing Authority, P.O. Box 358, Bankstown, 2200 (telephone (02) 707. 1399).**

FROM LATE DECEMBER TO LATE JULY 1988 at the following centres.....

Armidale, Bankstown, Bathurst, Bulli, Cessnock, Coolamon, Cootamundra, Fairfield, Forbes, Gosford, Griffith, Leeton, Lithgow, Maitland, Muswellbrook, Narrabri, Newcastle, Nowra, Orange, Parkes, Peak Hill, Penrith, Tamworth, Temora, Tweed Heads, Wagga Wagga, West Wyalong, Wyong and Young. There will be races at Harold Park in May and July.

PLAQUE DEDICATION SERVICE AND PICNIC

Sunday, 7th February, 1988.

There are two Bicentennial functions planned for this day.

FIRST FUNCTION: Dedication service for memorial plaque being attached to the northern pillar of the entrance gate at St. Anne's Anglican Church, Church St, Ryde, following the 10.00am morning service.

Known First Fleeters buried there are: **Richard Hawkes d 15.3.1832; James Bradley d 16.2.1838; Edward Goodin d 8.1.1832; Joseph Hatton d 1.6.1828; John Small d 3.10.1851.**

The Church is also celebrating the first land grant on 3rd Feb 1794. A special invitation is extended to descendants of First Fleeters buried there.

SECOND FUNCTION: PICNIC TO CELEBRATE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LANDING OF ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE FIRST FLEET IN SYDNEY COVE.

A picnic will be held on Sunday, 7th February, 1988 to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the landing of all the First Fleeters.

'At eleven o'clock the Governor's commission and the commission constituting the court of judicature were read. The marines were under arms and received the Governor with flying colours. With drums and fifes playing, they formed a circle around the assembled convicts, who were then ordered to sit down while Phillip harangued them about the night before and other offences, thoroughly convinced they had broken their trust, calling many of them incorrigible, and promising them severe punishment for misbehaviour. He banned the men from entering the women convicts' camp, and declared that if they did not work they would not eat. He assured them they would not be worked beyond their abilities, and would be employed erecting houses, first for the officers and marines, and then for themselves.'

VENUE: Putney Park, Pellisier Rd., Putney, top level near punt.

TIME: Noon (after plaque Dedication Service at St. Anne's, Ryde).

Putney Park is a lovely park on the Parramatta River, BBQ facilities, plenty of shade and a large grassed area for games for the children (and adults) - Mums, bring your potato peelers!

Come along, bring the family and celebrate our most important date!

FROM THE CANBERRA CHAPTER

A successful and informative evening was held at the National Library on Wednesday 7th October. Thirty people came to hear Peter Kunze of the Manuscript Collection and Bill Tulley of the Newspaper and Microprint collection explain the resources available in their particular sections of the library. The original First Fleet material included the leather bound original journal of the surgeon Arthur Bowes-Smythe.

Our next event was a family picnic at Murray's Corner picnic ground (via the Cotter) on Saturday 28th November.

Meryl Smith

WEDNESDAY DAYTIME AUXILIARY

There will be an outing to Elizabeth Bay House, Onslow Ave, Elizabeth Bay, on Wednesday, 3rd February, 1988, at 2pm.

The house can be reached by a trip on the 311 bus which can be boarded in Hunter St, or a five minute walk from King's Cross station. Meet outside the house at 1.50pm. Admission (1987) Adults \$2.50. Concession \$1.00. Plus \$1.00 donation to the Fellowship Funds. Limit 25 persons only. Bookings: **Mary Hope-Caten (tel. 407-1042).**

OBITUARIES

The Fellowship extends deepest and heartfelt sympathy to the families of the following...

Joan Margaret McLennan No. 1797 FF James Ruse died 12.8.87.

Lois Amelia Neale died 3.8.87 aged 75.

Joan May McGrath No. 1470 FF Peter Hibbs died 11.9.87.

James William Jackson No. 2023 FF Thomas Acres died 29.9.87 aged 80.

"TO LIVE ON IN THE HEARTS AND MINDS OF DESCENDANTS IS NEVER TO DIE"

WELCOME TO

James Alexander Burns FF William Tunks/Hugh Hughes born 12.11.87 son of James and Meg Burns, grandson of Len Chalmers.

Catlin-Louise Owens FF James Lee, James Bloodworth and Sarah Bellamy, daughter of Malcolm and Cath and granddaughter of William and Kathleen Allen.

FIRST FLEETER GRAVES

Our thanks go to the new members Margaret Chaplin and her two daughters Cordina and Rachael for showing us the Memorial erected by the City of Sydney Council in memory of the bodies removed from the Sydney Town Hall site to Rookwood Cemetery in 1822.

We have written to the Sydney Council requesting that they have the Memorial reconditioned as a 1988 Bicentennial Project. We pointed out that many of the interred were First Fleeters and that those removed to Rookwood may be some of them.

**Doug Oakes
(GRAVES CONVENOR.)**

OUR BICENTENNIAL YEAR

The following is a timetable of events throughout the year we as Fellowship will participate in and/or organize. It is by no means complete and we will be releasing more details in further Newsletters:-

January 1988

- 9th Sat Macquarie Street Procession.
23rd Sat Manly Colonial Day. *10-30 Lane Sydney Rd*
24th Sun Church Services: Garrison Church and St. Mary's Cathedral.
25th Mon Anniversary Dinner at Sheraton Wentworth Hotel from 8pm.
26th Tues Morning - Welcome to Fleet and Re-enactment Lunch at Botanic Gardens.
30th Sat Sackville Reach. Anne Forbes Reunion commencing 10am. Plaque Service 3pm.

February 1988

- 7th Sun St. Anne's, Ryde - Plaque Service 10am.
Family Picnic Putney Point noon.

March 1988

- 4th Fri Norfolk Island Tour departs.
5th Sat Goulburn Plaque Service 3.30pm.
6th Sun Re-Enactment Service - Norfolk Island.
27th Sun Plaque Service - Sydney Town Hall 10am.

April 1988

- 16th Sat Windsor Hawkesbury Pioneer Day.
17th Sun St. Matthew's, Windsor - Plaque Service 10am.

May 1988

- 13th Fri Wilton Wool Shed Dance.
15th Sun St. Peter's, Richmond - Plaque Service 10am.

June 1988

- 5th Sun St. John's, Wilberforce - Plaque Service 3pm.
26th Sun Botany Pioneer Park - Plaque Service 2pm.

July 1988

- 24th Sun Liverpool Memorial Park - Plaque Service 3pm.

August 1988

- 6th Sat Tunks Bicentennial Dinner.
21st Sun Children's Picnic - Centennial Park.
September 1988
17th Sat Family Reunions, Castle Hill Show-ground.
18th Sun Family Reunions, Castle Hill Show-ground.

23rd Sun
or

- 30th Sun FFF Annual Meeting.

October 1988

- 9th Sun Small Family Gathering - St. Anne's, Ryde.
16th Sun Christ Church St. Lawrence, George Street for Plaque Service, Devonshire Street, 10.30am.
28th Fri Tour to Tasmania begins.
November 1988
6th Sun Tour returns from Tasmania.
13th Sun St. Peter's, Campbelltown - Plaque Service 10am.

For further details, please refer to your September/October, 1987 Newsletter. Booking and other information may be made by ringing the office on 29-8007 Tuesday to Friday.

Please join us in as many of these functions as you are able to attend.

BICENTENNIAL PARADE

Saturday, 9th January, 1988.

The Fellowship will be taking part in the Parade through Sydney to mark the opening of the historic restoration of Macquarie Street, Circular Quay and the Rocks. The Parade starts from the Art Gallery and finishes at The Rocks.

We will be walking along with the replica of the gig belonging to Captain Arthur Phillip which is being presented to the City of Sydney by the City of Portsmouth.

Please wear COLONIAL COSTUME. We want as many members as possible to participate, especially children.

Assembly point is the Art Gallery at 10.30am, the parade starts at noon.

After the Parade we will be dedicating our plaque at First Fleet Park at Circular Quay, erected on the steps to George Street.

PLEASE COME IN COLONIAL COSTUME
Colonial patterns are available in November Womens Weekly and McCalls patterns No.2056

THE AUSTRALIA DAY EVE DINNER

Will be held on:

Mon 25th January 1988

At:

**The Sheraton Wentworth Hotel
(Elizabeth St, Sydney)**

8 PM

**Celebrate our 200th Birthday -
Toast in the day**

TICKETS: \$50 single \$100 double

DRESS: Dinner Jacket or Lounge Suit

**STATE FFF FAMILY FOR SEATING
PREFERENCE**

BOOK EARLY -

**To Miss A Clarke, P.O. Box 328,
Lane Cove 2066.**

**MAKE CHEQUES TO:
Fellowship of First Fleeters.**

(With stamped addressed envelope)

**PLEASE NOTE
ALTERED TIME, 8PM**

BITS AND PIECES

There will be an Ecumenical Church Service at Manly on Thursday 21st January 1988, to commemorate Governor Phillip's entry into Port Jackson. The service is being arranged by the Convenor of the Arthur Phillip Bicentennial Committee, Mrs Maureen Gouldston-Morris, and will be held at St. Matthew's Church, The Corso at 12.30pm. There will be a parade of flags and all are invited to attend.

One reunion is coming up next year, of a pioneer family which has close connections with First Fleeters. The descendants of Thomas and Jane Rose will hold their day at the Butterfly Farm, Putty Rd, Wilberforce on Sunday March 27th 1988. The family graves are nearby at the Wilberforce cemetery. Details... Roger O'Donnell (Ph: (02) 871-8623), or Dianne Roberts (477-2084).

Mr Edward John Garth of 116 Townson Ave, Palm Beach, 4221 Qld, has offered to promote the Fellowship in the Brisbane area. We have a number of members on the Gold Coast and it would be a good idea if they got together in 1988.

In the last Newsletter Mr George Allington was recorded as the son of member Mrs Daphna Berenice Allington when in fact it should have been recorded that George was Daphna's spouse. Apologies to all concerned... those gremlins again!!!

Member Warren Bulloch No.3856 is the designer of an intriguing Bicentennial Monument, hopefully to be erected at Brighton-le-Sands on the shores of Botany Bay. The ships of the First Fleet will be etched into a glass window of the monument in the position of anchorage off La Perouse. Warren is a descendant of Joseph Tuzo, and his wife Lee does some fabulous work as an Associate, helping the Membership Committee in the preparation of our FFF Certificates.

On Thursday January 21st 1988 at 6pm there will be an unusual, if not interesting Bicentennial Event, organized by the Woollahra History and Heritage Society. It will take place at Green Point (Camp Cove) and will take the form of a reading of the story of Phillip's entry into Sydney Harbour, 200 years to the day. It should prove to be an unusual "twilight experience". Bring your own picnic "Corned beef, ship's biscuits and Lime Juice", a warm jumper and a rug to sit upon. Parking will be a problem. Allow 10 minutes to walk from Watsons Bay. Please phone 327-7818 to signify intended presence.

Val Flanders 3011 FF Robert Forrester gives the following easy pattern for making of a Mop Cap.

Cut a 24 inch circle from white material, e.g. poplin; sew bias binding 3 inches in from outside circumference; stitch a very narrow hem on edge; thread elastic or tape through the bias binding and pull up to fit. An added attraction would be an edging of lace on the outside hem. Val also states that a long sleeved plain coloured blouse, worn with a gathered skirt with a deep 12 inch frill on the bottom, completes one type of costume. Thank you, Valda.

LAGOON CEMETERY, SORELL, TASMANIA

We have been informed that First Fleeters, William Hambley, William Cross and John Miles are buried at the Lagoon Cemetery, Sorell, Tasmania.

On my recent trip to Tasmania I visited this cemetery with a descendent of William Hambley, Mrs. Trish Woods, and we were unable to find tombstones for any First Fleeters buried there. Further, as there is no brick or stone fence gate pillars, the Fellowship is unable to erect a memorial plaque at the cemetery.

Our thanks to the many people who wrote to us on this matter.

DOUG OAKES,
Graves Convenor.

NORFOLK ISLAND TOUR

The tickets for the tour will be available by February 1st next. Wynne Anderson will be in the Fellowship rooms from Tuesday, 2nd Feb through to Friday 5th Feb from

10am to 2pm for those who wish to pick up their tickets. Those tickets not collected will be posted to the respective travellers. Though this may probably be the last notice in the Newsletter, if you have any queries please contact Rhonda or Wynne. Please make cheques payable to "THE NORFOLK ISLAND BICENTENARY TOUR".

AROUND THE TREES



FF PHILIP DEVINE - Family Reunion at Warwick, Qld. on 9th and 10th January 1988. Details... Betty Duns, 1/11 El Alamein St, Port Lincoln, 5606 S.A.

FF JOHN CROSS - "Cross: His Mark" is the name of this well researched book on this First Fleeter spanning the years 1785 to 1900. Lorraine Prothero is to be congratulated on this effort, "as available records reveal nothing about him, but nevertheless, like thousands of other convict pioneers who grudgingly joined the dots to form the shaky outline of a new colony, and through their descendants added light and shade to the barren sketch, John Cross left his mark".

A must not only for Cross descendants but for all "genies" and amateur historians... copies from Mrs Lorraine Prothero, 7 Morshead St, North Ryde, 2113. Cost is \$29.00 plus \$3.20 p and p (Sydney area).

FF MATTHEW JAMES EVERINGHAM - There will be a Reunion of the First Fleeter Family and the Family of Richard Woodbury on Sunday, 3rd January, 1988, in the form of a Pilgrimage in the Hawkesbury area. Details Cecily Ristuccia, 4 Victoria Sq, Ashfield 2131. Phone (02) 798 5059.

FF NATHANIEL LUCAS/OLIVIA GASCOIGNE - Reunion and book launch Sunday 24th January, 1988 at 10am The Mint Courtyard, Queens Square, Sydney. The book is entitled "Nathaniel and Olivia and the Lucas Family", was researched by Betty Taber and Rhonda Kroehnert and will be on sale at \$30.00 per copy. Bring a picnic lunch (no Bar-B-Que)... Details... Rhonda Kroehnert, 14 Fitzpatrick Cres, Casula 2170. Phone (02) 602-4657 week-ends only.

FF WILLIAM NASH/MARIA HAYNES - Family service at St. Philip's Church, York St, Sydney on Sunday Feb 14th 1988. A picnic will be held after the service at Observatory Hill. This date is the 199th Anniversary of the marriage of William and Maria. Details... Mrs Joan Rowe (02) 465-423.

FF JANE LANGLEY - A picnic reunion of Jane's descendants will be held at the LANE COVE RIVER PARK on Sunday January 17th 1988. Come along to meet "the rest of her family". Picnic area No.13, "Korong", Lane Cove River Park at 11.30am. Details... Shirley Beale, 4 Seaton Ave, Wahroonga. Ph: (02) 489-5350 or Pam Quick, 21 Wongalee Ave, Wahroonga. Ph: (02) 489-5772.

FROM THE MAILBOX

Mrs Beryl Lewis's article on her ancestors John Small and Mary Parker brought forth some interesting mail. In that article Beryl stated that "John Small was almost 89 when he died on October 2nd 1850, and of all the convicts who landed at Sydney Cove on January 26th 1788 he was the last known survivor... etc"

Audrey Huxley No.2187 FF Ann Forbes writes that in the last FFF Newsletter, the date of John Small's death was given as 3.10.1851, whilst Ann Forbes' death was given as 29.12.1851. Audrey states that John Small was not apparently the last known survivor of the First Fleet, but she goes on to say that the difference could be the fact that Ann Forbes would have landed with the women about February 6th 1788. Audrey's letter also said that Ann Forbes must have been the last known First Fleeter to die in Australia and that her husband, Ken, is descended from James Shiers FF who was apparently the OLDEST First Fleeter to die in Australia. Audrey tells us of the fact that her First Fleeter married a Huxley and that she (Audrey) also married a Huxley... quite a coincidence.

We are indebted to Mr V.M. Bennett, Principal Registrar of the Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages for the following information... He states that he refers to the article of Mrs Beryl Lewis particularly in reference to the date of John Small's death. Whilst he concedes that John may have been the last known survivor of the First Fleet, records in the Registry reveal a much later death of a First Fleeter. Boy Marine Michael Norton died on May 9th 1875. His death certificate states his age as 112 years old, but, as Mr Bennett adds, Boy Marines had a maximum age of 10 years and his age was more likely to have been 102 years. Michael was Captain Phillip's cabin boy for the voyage, and as most of the Governor's entourage are missing from much of the First Fleet records, Michael tends to be missed from some lists. We are grateful to Mr Bennett for this information and thank him sincerely for it and also for the copy of Michael Norton's death certificate which states that he died on May 9th 1875 at The Hospital, Windsor, Occupation, Sailor, Cause of Death Senile Decay with no actual illness, his parent's details are unknown, he was buried on the 10th May 1875 according to the Rites of the Roman Catholic Church, he was born in Ireland, was unmarried and the undertaker was John Everingham. (We shall endeavour to obtain more information about Michael for the next Newsletter. Ed).

Peggy Newton No.3160 writes from Harrington in appreciation for the informative Newsletters... she feels that she is in touch with all of us and not left out in the cold. We all hope to see Peggy at the Bicentenary Celebrations.

We received a very nice thank-you letter from new member Mrs A Danswan No.4768, and descendant of Jane Langley/Thomas Chipp. She found it most gratifying to receive something tangible after so many hours of research. Mrs Danswan is most grateful to those who many years ago maintained archival material.

Thanks to Eileen Dawes of Narrabeen for the following, to help us remember ships of the First Fleet... "**The Prince of Wales** and **Lady Penrhyn** had a **Sirius Friendship**; they named each other **Alexander** and **Charlotte**. They dined aboard the **Golden Grove** moored near **Borrowdale**, which is near **Scarborough**, but the chef let the **Fishburn** and the wine was in short **Supply**.

There were other letters which will appear in our next Newsletter. Ed.

REPORT FROM VICE-PRESIDENT DOUG OAKES

ON HIS VISIT TO TASMANIA, MELBOURNE AND GOULBURN

I recently visited Tasmania to make arrangements for our forthcoming visit in October/November, 1988. Arriving at Devonport from the "Abel Tasman" I drove to Launceston and after booking into a motel telephoned Roy Peck from the Genealogical Society. Mr Peck and I visited Launceston Grammar School and spoke to members of the staff. Bicentennial convenor Mr. Rod Moran confirmed that the school had agreed to our plaque being placed on the gate entrance pillar at Broadlands Park, Cypress St., East Launceston. After this meeting, we went to Broadlands Park to visit the site and then drove to Longford and visited the Christ Church to see Mary (Phillips) Stevens' tombstone. Canon Charles Moran confirmed that the Church had agreed to our plaque being placed on the Old Church Hall as well as a small plaque on Mary Stevens' tombstone.

That evening I addressed the Launceston branch of the Genealogical Society and received a wonderful reception. Driving south along Midlands Highway the next day I visited St. Marys Church, Kempton and met church warden Henry Lang. Mr. Lang confirmed our arrangements and showed me Elizabeth Bruce Flexmore's tombstone. The next day I visited Peter Curtis at the Hobart City Council. Mr. Curtis and I went to St. David's Park, Hobart and he showed me the pillar to which our large plaque will be attached, as well as Lt. Col. David Collins' memorial, and the memorial wall where three First Fleeters tombstones are installed.

Hobart Council has arranged for W. Monaghan to install all the plaques in Tasmania. That afternoon I visited St. Matthew's, Rokeby and spoke to Mrs. Arnold, wife of the church secretary. Mrs. Arnold showed me inside the church and the tombstones of John Morrisby and Edward Kimberley.

Next day in company with Trish Woods I visited Sorell, returning via Richmond. Regrettably it is not practicable to install plaques at Sorell. That afternoon I visited Magra and saw the Old Methodist Church in Lawitta St and the tombstones of Elizabeth King and Eleanor Gay (Wainwright).

Next day in company with Irene Shaffer I again visited New Norfolk to check three known cemeteries in the area. Mrs Shaffer and I agreed that the only cemetery that appeared to have First Fleeters buried there, is at Magra.

MEMBERS' QUERY

GARDNER/ROSE DESCENDANTS

We are anxious to contact any descendants of Henry Gardner and his wife Elizabeth (nee Rose). They were married on 20.3.1839. Henry was the son of Edward Gardner and Mary Bolton and his brother Edward Gardner married Elizabeth's sister Louisa Rose. Elizabeth and Louisa were the daughters of Joshua Rose, who arrived, aged 9 years, with his family on the "Bellona" in 1793. Henry T, Edward G, Joshua, Sarah, Mary Ann, Elizabeth and William F. These children were born between 1840 and 1855. Any information please to: Mr. G.W. Rose, 25 Billyard Ave., Wahroonga, 2076. Ph. (02) 487-1147 or Mr. R.R. Rose, 20a Ivey St., Lindfield, 2070. Ph. (02) 46-2958.

EARLY SYDNEY

Extract from the Sydney Gazette, Sunday July 14th 1805.

A few days ago a family were almost panic-struck at the sudden appearance of a large snake, writhing to disengage itself from a hollow log across the fire. The dangerous reptile had nearly effected its enlargement unperceived but was immediately assaulted and killed, measuring when drawn forth, nearly five feet.

Sunday December 8th 1805.

Inoculation for the Cow Pox. Thomas Jamison Esq. Principal Surgeon desirous of promoting the benevolent design of vaccination throughout the Colony, requests that settlers and other distant inhabitants who have children that have not yet received the benefit, will forward a list to him at Sydney, specifying with their names and places of abode and number of children for inoculation in order that convenient places of attendance may be chosen in each neighborhood, and a time for performing the operation appointed, of which timely information will be given in the Gazette.

Thomas Jamison arrived on the Sirius First Fleet, as the Surgeon's mate.

Research **M. HOPE-CATEN**

BOTANY BAY FERRY TRIP

Due to the terrific response to the Ferry Trip round Botany Bay to see the First Fleet Re-Enactment ships, we now have THREE ferries leaving from Sans Souci Wharf, at the Captain Cook Bridge on Thursday, 21st January, 1988.

PLEASE BRING YOUR TICKETS WITH YOU — EACH FERRY HAS DIFFERENT COLOURED TICKETS.

GREEN TICKETS - "Regalia" ferry - leaves wharf at 11.30am.

WHITE TICKETS - "Bass & Flinders" leaves wharf at 11.45am.

PINK TICKETS - "Bass & Flinders" leaves wharf at 2.00pm.

YOU MUST HAVE YOUR TICKETS WITH YOU

Bookings available Norfolk Is.

contact Wynne Anderson.....

GREAT NEWS ! PREMISES 105 CATHEDRAL ST. SYDNEY BEING PURCHASED
BY F.F.F. OUR OWN HOME AT LAST.

STOP PRESS

The Premier, in a letter to the President, has indicated that areas will be set aside for Fellowship members at the Australia Day celebrations. The first is the Flag Raising ceremony at 7.30am at Customs House Square, Circular Quay, followed by light refreshments. The second ceremony is being held at the forecourt of the Opera House at 10.30am. We have been allocated "several hundred" seats for each ceremony, and the Executive, at its last meeting laid down guidelines for distribution of tickets for the ceremonies. Priority will be given to:

a) Past Presidents; b) Life members; c) office and newsletter helpers; d) Executive members. The balance will be allocated to City of Sydney members (50%) and country/interstate members (50%). Other than the first four abovementioned categories, tickets will be issued in strict order of receipt. Please advise if you have priority and enclose STAMPED ADDRESSED ENVELOPE MARKED "AUSTRALIA DAY TICKETS". May I stress that we cannot guarantee seats for all members. Members (2) tickets, junior members (1) ticket.

PETER CHRISTIAN, President.

The office wishes to advise that some stock lines are temporarily unavailable. Ample supplies of souvenir calendars and Christmas cards are available immediately.