

“FORTITUDE” IMMIGRANTS

(We are pleased to have permission to publish the result of the research of Mr. E. V. Stevens into the list of passengers of the “Fortitude” which arrived in 1849 for which there is no known official roll of names in existence.)

Mr. E. V. Stevens’ report to the Historical Society of Queensland, Inc., is as follows—

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January 1849

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From original documents made available by the Public and Mitchell Libraries of Sydney, to whom acknowledgement is pleasurably extended, an attempt has been made to record the names of immigrants who arrived by the sailing vessel “Fortitude” in January 1849, under the scheme fostered by Rev. Dr. J. D. Lang.

This has been an unsatisfactory task as it has not been possible to correlate the unofficial newspaper list published in the Brisbane Queenslander of 7/8/09 with that in the Mitchell Library. It has been further complicated by the fact that the Mitchell list cannot be regarded as truly official. Ironically, passenger lists of other immigrant vessels, “Chasely,” “Larpent” and so on, were carefully compiled in copper plate writing whilst that of the “Fortitude” is a collection of badly written scraps with, in many cases, a duplication of names; actually it appears to be a rough memorandum and not the official list which, if not lost, is probably in London. Some historically useful information has, however been gained from it and the “Moreton Bay Courier” files of 1849 and 1850, from which all incidental remarks, other than the Trundle marriages, have been compiled.

Names appearing on the Queensland list, unrecorded on the Mitchell list, are—

T. Smith, J. Paton, J. F. Sutton, H. A. Lyard, Rev. and Miss Stewart, Mrs. Challinor.

On the Mitchell list but not on the Queenslander are the names—

Brondfield, Mary Ann; Hill children (4); Johnson, Elizabeth; Johnson, Mary; Lovell, Maria; Mitton,

Sarah; Phillips, Jas.; Pettigrew, Mrs.; Smith, Edmond; Scrase and family; Wacey, Ann; Wacey, John; Walton, Mary; Lawson, Jane; but here again illegibility or careless recording of Christian names may render exactitude impossible.

A copy of the Charter Note is here given—

London 13th September 1948.

As per Charter Party

Rev. Dr. Lang per ship "Fortitude" J. Christmas (Master) for Moreton Bay.

On 211½ adults at £15 each	£3,172	10	0
By Cash	1,730	0	0

£1,442 10 0

2/3 freight £2,115

£1,730 received of Dr. Lang

£385 due from Dr. Lang

£1,057/10/- due 3/m from 13th September, say 16th December.

J. H. Arnold,
3 Clements Lane,
Lombard Street.

As no indication is given as to the age above which children rated as adult no check can be obtained on the apparent discordance of the passenger lists.

The passenger list as now collected is as follows—

**Immigrants to Moreton Bay District by the
"Fortitude," 1849**

Atkin, George, 46, shoemaker. Wife: Mary Anne, 42.

Brondfield, Mary Anne, 30.

Bulcock, Wm., 29.

Bulcock, Benjamin, 25.

Black, Alexander, 29, engineer. Wife: Eliza Frances, 33. Child: An infant.

Black, Isabelle, 22.

Black, Jane, 13.

Burrell, Henry, 19, watchmaker. Went into business at Ipswich as watchmaker, March 1849.

Buchanan, Peter, compositor.

Beardmore, Sammon, 17. Cousin to S. P. Welsby.

- Cribb, Robert, 43, baker. Wife: Sarah, 48. Children: John, 18, Mary, 15, Robert, 13, William 11.
- Childs, T., 39, farmer. Wife: Mary, 40. Children: Thomas, 16, Elizabeth, 14, Anne, 12, James, 8, Mary, 6, David, 4, and an infant.
- Carver, Jas., 33, farm labourer. Wife: Elizabeth, 34. Children: James, 2½, Elizabeth-Mary, 5 months.
- Clark, Thos., 47, draper and agriculturist. Wife: Elizabeth, 37. Children: Emmeline, 20, Sarah, 18, Harriet, 15, Rachel, 13, Ann, 11, Elizabeth, 9, Julia, 7, Thos. Gabriel, 5.
- Chaille, Jas., 26, draper and agriculturist. Wife: Jane, 20.
- Chisholm, Peter, 16.
- Cliff, Jos., 36, agriculturist. Wife: Elizabeth, 31. Referred to by Dr. Lang in letter to M.B. Courier, 27/1/49 as "Clift" a preacher allocated to Ipswich.
- Cliff, Mary, 38. Sister of Jos. Cliff.
- Cliff, Sarah, 34. Sister of Jos. Cliff.
- Challinor, Mary, 40. Children: George, 16, Emily, 13. Wife of Dr. Challinor, "Fortitude" doctor.
- Clayton, John, no particulars.
- Dadswell, T. O., 46, grocer and agriculturist. Wife: Sarah, 48. Strong defender in Press (January 1850) of Dr. Lang. Seemingly went to live in Sydney.
- Davies, Jos., 24, farm labourer. Wife: Amelia, 25.
- Deacon, Thos., 24, saddler. Wife: Louisa, 28. In business as saddler North Brisbane, 10/3/49. Mrs. Deacon had a straw hat and bonnet business in a large room over Mr. Robertson's School, 3/3/49. Both moved to Ipswich 16/6/49.
- Eaton, Mary, 29. Mary Eaton had a millinery, straw hat and bonnet warehouse, Ipswich, 3/3/49.
- Everett, John, 17. Everett was a nephew of Jas Roper.
- Fielding, John, 22. Fielding held an electoral freehold qualification for Fortitude Valley, May 1850. At this period no other Fortitude Valley residents appear on electoral list.
- Fowles, John, 33, baker. Wife: Jane Hill, 29. Children: Wm. Lambert, 6, John, 2.
- Grunner, John, 28, agriculturist. Wife: Rebecca, 34. Children: Rosina, 8, Alfred, 6, Selina, 4, Alice, 4 months. Possibly "Plummer" as shown on newspaper list in Brisbane.
- Gould, Samuel, bricklayer. Wife: Mary Ann, 22. Built the R.C. Church, Elizabeth Street, May 1850.

- Holt, G., 20, nephew of R. Cribb.
- Hingston, Fred, 40. Wife: Charlotte, 41. Children: Charlotte, 12, Frederick, 11, Philip, 6.
- Hill, Wm. S., 23, warehouseman.
- Hill, John, 14. Hill, 10. Hill, Anne, 8, Hill, Margaret, 7. All the Hill children are bracketed on Lang's list with A. Black's family, but there is no record of relationship.
- Hofland, J.
- Johnson, Elizabeth, 26. Sister of Mrs. Gould.
- Johnson, Mary, 60. Mother of Mrs. Gould.
- Jones, Harriet, 15.
- Jameson, Robt., 32, farmer. Wife: Jean, 32. Children: Robert, 12, James, 6. Mrs. Jameson bitten by snake at her residence on Mr. Kirkwood's ground, South Brisbane; treated in North Brisbane Hospital and recovered.
- Jones, Elinor,
- Keid, Chas., 30, gardener. Wife: Jane, 22.
- Keid, Henry, 29.
- Keid, Ann, 21.
- King, W., 42, carpenter. Wife: Mary Ann, 32. Children: William, 17, Mary Ann, 13, Henry, 11, Caroline, 9, Richard, 5, George, 2½.
- Lawson, Delilah, 31. Niece of R. Cribb.
- Lawson, Jane, 21.
- Lyard, H. A. Re Lyard. His name does not appear on Lang's list. Louis F. Layard was secretary to Moreton Bay Benevolent Society in July 1846. H. A. Lyard's name is on Brisbane's newspaper list.
- Lovell, Maria, 42. Maria Lovell, a widow, was sister to Mrs. Hingston.
- Langridge, John S., 54, agriculturist: Wife: Isabella, 43. Children: Isabella, 21, Sarah, 16, Mary Ann, 14, Emily, 6, Alice, 3. John Langridge in business as bookkeeper and agent, 23/3/49. Isabella opened a school for girls in the New Wesleyan Chapel, Albert Street, 23/3/49, and later married R. H. Wright of New England, May 1850.
- Lloyd, Wm., 54, carpenter. Wife: Mary, 51. Children: Mary, 28, Anna, 24, Elizabeth, 19, Thomas, 16, John, 13, Henry, 8.
- Lloyd, Wm., 26, carpenter. Wife: Elizabeth, 24. Children: William, 3, James, 1. Son of above W. Lloyd, was in business as a jeweller, 23/3/49. Which Lloyd?

- Mitton, Sarah, 31. Mrs. Mitton was a relative of R. Cribb.
- Melville, Wm., 43, farm bailiff. Wife: Anne, 36. Children: John, 13, Anne, 12, William, 10, Margaret, 10, Elizabeth, 9, Catherine, 7, James, 5, Arthur, 2.
- Maskell, Geo. W., 22, agriculturist.
- Mercer, Frank, 17, agriculturist.
- Mellor, Edmond, agriculturist.
- Macey, Elinor, 26. Name doubtful, impossible to decipher.
- McKergow, D, 20. Wife: Jane, 26.
- Neustadt, 30, tailor. Wife: Rosie, 26. Child: An infant. In business as a tailor, Queen Street opposite "Barracks," 3/3/49. John Sheppard, also a tailor but not a "Fortitude" man advertised 28/4/49: Coat, 14/-, Vest, 4/-, Trousers, 5/-. A Suit for 23/-.
- Newstadt, Julius, 24.
- Phillips, Jas., 16, shoemaker. Apprentice to G. Aitken.
- Price, Thos., 43, builder. Wife: Elizabeth, 45. Children: Elizabeth, 10, Thomas, 8.
- Pettigrew, Wm., 23, agriculturist. Referred to in Moreton Bay Courier as "Surveyor."
- Paton, J. Does not appear on Lang's list but is on Brisbane newspaper list.
- Roper, Jas., 44, agriculturist. Wife: Elizabeth, 45. Children: Emma, 20, Sarah, 19, Thomas, 18. Mrs. Roper, "Bentley Cottage," Queen Street, was a dressmaker 12/3/49, but whether it was Mrs. Roper, Snr., or Jnr., is not stated.
- Roper, Jas., 23. Wife: Catharine, 22.
- Robertson, Jas., 21.
- Russell, Jas., 28, farm labourer. Wife: Anne, 28. Children: James, 6, Thomas, 4, Edward, 2, and infant.
- Russell, Anna.
- Slaughter, A, agriculturist. Wife: Caroline. Children: Hy George, 15, Caroline, 13, Eliza, 11, Edward, 9, William, 8, Anne, 6, Frederick, 4, Francis, 2. An "A. Slaughter" was in business as a "Soap and Candle" maker at Kangaroo Point, 22/8/49. Probably the same.
- Stanford, John, 19, farm servant.
- Smith, Edmond, 22, blacksmith. Wife: Margaret Jane, 22. Child: An infant.
- Scrase, Richard, 31, joiner. Wife: Naomi, 33. Children: Richard, 5, Sarah Ann, 3, Mary Jane, 1.
- Southerden, Edward, 18, draper.
- Southerden, Samuel, 22, agriculturist.

Southerden, Caroline, 22. Sister to Mrs. Jas Chaille.
In business as dressmaker, Ipswich, 30/7/49.

Sexton, Richard, 40, bookseller. Wife: Elizabeth, 37.
Children: Richard, 13, Elizabeth 11, William 9,
Emma, 7, Thomas, 5, Charlotte, 3.

Smith, Williamson, 29. In business as coachmaker and
saddler, 10/3/49. Later at George Street, North
Brisbane, opposite Post Office.

Smith, John, agriculturist.

Slaughter, John, 23.

Stuckberry, Thos.

Stone, Mrs. Susana, 28. Children: Alexander 4, Alice, 1.

Sutton, John Franklin.

Stewart, Rev. C. Neither Rev. C's. nor Miss Stewart's
name appears on Lang's list but in a letter to More-
ton Bay Courier, 27/1/49, Dr. Lang speaks of his
arrival. He was allocated to Brisbane and held his
first service, February 11th, 1849, in the Court
House, North Brisbane. It is probable that Miss
Stewart accompanied him as shown on Brisbane
newspaper list.

Stewart, Miss.

Trundle, Chas., 42, watchmaker. Wife: Frances, 42.
Children: Chas. Joseph, 18, Frances Elizabeth, 17,
Anne Thompson, 15, Frederick, 14, Auldred, 13,
Ellen, 12, Elizabeth Auldred, 10, John, 9, Chas.
James 7, Hannah Mary, 6, Clara Balfour, 4,
Edward Thomas, 3, Henry Bush, 1. Chas. Trundle
in business 9/8/49, at Fortitude Valley as auction-
eer, appraiser and house agent, also a store adver-
tising for sale, "Banana plants 12/- to 24/- per
doz., tea, sugar, candles, etc. (20/9/49). Will sell
by auction at St. Patrick's Tavern, bricks, etc."
St. Patrick's Tavern appears to have been in Ade-
laide Street, between Albert and Edward Streets.
Of his family: Chas. Joseph married Grace Maid-
ment, Frances Elizabeth married G. Robinson of
Gympie, Anne Thompson married T. P. Pugh, Fred-
erick unmarried, Auldred married Mary J. Smith,
Ellen married John Franz Rode, Elizabeth Auldred
married Alexander McLean, John married Emily
Rode, Chas. James no history, Hannah Mary mar-
ried Harrap Henzell, Clara Balfour married Thos.
S. Henzell, Edward Thomas married Charlotte
Ball, Henry Bush killed by fall of horse at Nebo.
Born after their arrival in Brisbane. Sarah Salmon
Finer (born 1850) married Chas. Stevens.

- Taylor, Mark R., 40, draper. Wife: Caroline, 29.
- Towell, Thos., 21, analytical chemist. Wife: Eliza. In business as analytical chemist at Kangaroo Point, 9/3/49.
- Voysey, John, 45, tailor. Wife: Margaret, 40. Children: Catharine, 14, William, 12, George, 10, Mary Anne, 9, Helen, 5, Sarah, 4.
- Wacey, Mrs. Anne, 69. Mother of Mrs. Slaughter.
- Wacey, John, 23. Nephew of Mr. Slaughter.
- Wall, W., 40, tailor. Wife: Mary, 31. Two sons, names not stated.
- Walmsley, John, 22. Wife's name not stated, 23.
- Welsby, S. P., 36 schoolmaster. Wife: Elizabeth, 36. Child: Elizabeth, 6. Opened a school in East Street, Ipswich, 3/3/49.
- Westling, 40, shoemaker. Wife's name not stated, 47. Children: Henry, 16, Mary, 15, George, 13, Bartholemew, 11, Ebenezer, 7, Samuel, 5, Abraham, 2.
- Wilkinson, Thos., agriculturist.
- Williams, Edward, agriculturist.
- Walton, Mary, 19. Sister to Mrs. W. Bulcock. This is probably the person shown on Brisbane newspaper list as Miss Bulcock.

