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From the Committee

Hello Members,

We are fast approaching Christmas and the Committee's break from a busy half year. We would like to remind you of some important dates you need to make a note of.

Our End of Year Christmas Get Together will be on **Saturday 23rd November at 1.30 pm for a Kris Kringle Day.**

We hope to see as many of our members as possible who would like to come along and share the day. We ask that you bring a generic gift in order to receive one back. That way, nobody misses out on a Christmas present. Plus, a plate of food would be most welcome too. Our own in-house Father Christmas hopefully will be attending.

Our last day for research appointments and computer usage will be on **Thursday 28th November 2013** and will re-open on **Thursday 16th January 2014**. The last Legacy Users Group for the year will meet on **Monday night 2nd December at 7.00 pm**.

The Family Tree Maker Users Group will meet for the last time this year on **16th November 2013** and will meet again on **15th February 2014**.

As we go to print we have approached State Archives about a possible group tour in **January 2014**. We will advise members of the progress, dates and times over the next few weeks.

We look forward to seeing as many of our members as possible in November.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<p>4th Nov.</p> 			<p>7th Nov.</p> <p>Mid-Week Open Day 10 am – 4 pm</p>		<p>9th Nov.</p> <p>Research and Networking Day 1 pm – 4 pm</p> <p>Committee Meeting 2 pm</p>
				<p>14th Nov.</p> <p>Mid-Week Open Day 10 am – 4 pm</p>		
				<p>21st Nov.</p> <p>Mid-Week Open Day 10 am – 4 pm</p>		<p>23rd Nov.</p> <p>Research and Networking Day 1 pm – 4 pm</p> <p>Xmas Break Up Afternoon 1.30 pm</p>
				<p>28th Nov.</p> <p>Mid-Week Open Day 10 am – 4 pm</p>		

World's Oldest Newspaper Going Digital After 279 Years

The world continues to move from print to digital.

Perhaps the most significant recent transition comes from Lloyd's List, which claims to be the world's oldest newspaper. It will transition to an online-only publication by December 20, 2013.



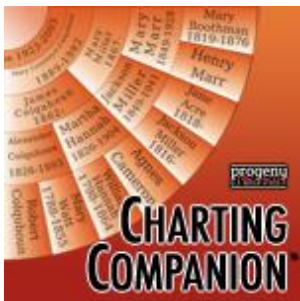
Lloyd's List began in 1734 as a bulletin of information about ship arrivals, departures and casualties in London and continues to cover news of maritime commerce, insurance and energy. The newspaper's web site says, "That aim [of the newspaper] has not changed, but the technology has."

The newspaper has long been available both online and in print. Richard Meade, the paper's editor, said only 25 people subscribe solely to the print edition. "That's why we have chosen to invest our editorial firepower online, rather than sustaining a format that cannot match our, or our customers', demands," the company wrote in a news release.

You can read more, and watch a video, on the Lloyd's List web site at <http://www.lloydslist.com/ll/incoming/article429827.ece>.

Source: Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter

Progeny Genealogy Announces an Update to Charting Companion.



Progeny Software has announced the availability of Charting Companion 5.1, a Windows program that produces fan charts, circular fan charts, trellis charts, and even allows you to embroider your Family Tree on a T-shirt.

The new version adds two major features:

1. The program will now read Family Tree Maker 2014 files (both 32- and 64-bit).

NOTE: Charting Companion also works with earlier versions of Family Tree Maker as well as with Ancestral Quest, Family Historian, Legacy Family Tree, Personal Ancestral File (PAF), Roots Magic. It will also read GEDCOM files produced by all modern genealogy programs.

2. Another new addition is called "ornamental borders." You can enhance the look of your charts by adding elegant, attractive embellishments. Choose from a hundred designs of vector art. You can change the color and size of the borders.

The new version is free to anyone who bought in the last six months, 40% off if you bought in the last twelve months.

For more information, visit the Charting Companion page at:

<http://progenygenealogy.com/products/family-tree-charts.aspx>.

Source: Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter

Note: ANDFHG has purchased a copy of this software; both User Groups have access to these.

FROM THE PAPERS

The 1853 version of identity theft?

Adelaide Observer 23rd April 1853.
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REMITTANCES FROM THE DIGGINGS.

The following particulars, copied with some slight corrections from a contemporary, may serve to show the necessity of the utmost precaution in the delivery of letters, especially from Victoria: - A young widow, named Mary Rogers, having lost her husband at Bendigo, came down to Melbourne with his Gold and sold it on the 5th instant, to Mr Edward Khull, gold-broker, Collins-street. That gentleman accompanied Mrs Rogers to the Bank of Australasia, and obtained from the Bank a bill for £767.16s.7d., drawn at sight upon the Branch in Adelaide, in her favour. This he gave to her, and finding that she was a very ignorant woman, advised her to post a duplicate, addressed to herself, in case she might happen to lose the original draft. She assented and Mr. Khull enclosed a duplicate in a blank envelope, and with his own hand directed it "Mrs. Mary Rogers, Adelaide, to be called for."

The following day the 6th, Mrs. Rogers left Melbourne by the *Queen of Sheba* for Adelaide. That vessel reached port on Wednesday, and immediately on Mrs. Rogers arriving in town she proceeded to the Post Office to enquire for her letter. To her dismay the clerk informed her that the letter had been drawn by a woman calling herself Mary Rogers. The poor creature, who was nearly driven frantic by this news repaired to the Bank to ascertain if the money had been drawn, but that establishment was closed, it being after business hours. She afterwards learned from a Mr. Hawken, with whom she was slightly acquainted, that the letter had been given up to Mrs. Mary Rogers, residing in Angas-street, who had actually drawn part of the money. Somebody else advised her to apply at once to the police and she did so without loss of time.

Sergeant Davis one of the most active and intelligent members of the force, immediately took steps to procure the attendance of Mrs. Mary Rogers No. 2 at the Station-house, and there she met her namesake. She is an elderly woman bearing a respectable character, and is also a widow. She stated that she expected a letter from her son, who had been to California, and who, when she last heard of him was at the Ovens; she called at the Post Office last Monday week and enquired if there was a letter for her.

The clerk, who appeared to know her, gave her one, and as she was unable to read, called in the assistance of a neighbour named Billing, who informed her of the nature of the enclosure. Billing accompanied her to the Bank, and she having been identified to the satisfaction of the clerk was informed that she had the power to draw to the extent of the draft she had presented. She drew £5 that day and the next day £10 ; but as she stated to Davis, being unwilling to draw more of what she considered to be her son's money than she absolutely required, she had signed no more cheques.

The *bona fide* proprietress of the cheque agreed to take the other's note of hand for the amount drawn by her, and the parties met on Thursday morning and arranged for the transfer of the money to the rightful owner.

Eliza Wootton

By Diane Smith

My 2nd great grandmother was Eliza Wootton, born on the 9 February, 1849 in London. Her parents were John and Caroline Wootton (nee Johnson). On the 1 April 1866, aged 17, she married Thomas Kelly in Newmarket, Auckland, New Zealand and in 1867 they had a son Henry Thomas Kelly. She went with him to America and returned to New Zealand alone. Then on the 19 September 1868 she married Alexander Davidson also in Newmarket, Auckland, New Zealand. They did not have any children.

Eleven years later, on the 18 November, 1879, she married Edward Duer Richards also in Newmarket, Auckland, New Zealand. Edward and Eliza are my 2nd great grandparents. Together they had 12 children, including my great grandfather William Charles Richards. However, Alexander Davidson was still living and on the 12 July 1882 she was charged with bigamy. She pleaded 'not guilty' in the Supreme Court. A Sergeant Jackson produced the certificate of marriage between Alexander Davidson and Eliza Kelly (her second marriage). So the defense had to prove she didn't know Davidson was still alive. The court heard from witnesses (who actually signed as a witness on the marriage certificate), one who testified that Davidson was in the courtroom. Under British law neither Eliza nor Davidson could testify.

The defense pointed out that the only statement on which the prosecution depended was that 5 years ago Davidson went to Richards's house where the accused (Eliza) was living. The defense stated Eliza had been living apart from her husband for 10 years and so the prosecution had to show that she had some knowledge of his being alive at the time she married Richards. The judge said the evidence on this point was "very meager." "The question for them to decide was whether there was sufficient evidence to show that she was aware of Davidson being alive within seven years of the time she married Richards."

The jury brought in a verdict of 'not guilty' and Eliza was discharged. Edward and Eliza had two more children before they divorced. Eliza married Patrick Tierney in 1896. She died on the 4 December, 1926 in Newmarket, Auckland, New Zealand, aged 77. Edward married Mary Pannett in 1893. He died on the 2 September, 1898 in Newmarket, Auckland, New Zealand, aged 54.

Eileen Nearne.

Forgotten WWII spy died penniless after her British pension was halted without explanation.

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/arti...on-halted.html>

What a sad ending for such a brave and wonderful lady, saw her story on heir hunters, her brother and sister both like her joined the French Resistance.

Since her death the importance of this lady and her like has come to light, General Eisenhower who didn't give plaudits lightly reckoned that the work of these people shortened the war by up to 9 months...which is an incredible amount of lives saved if true.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-devon-12740172>

Good to see that after her death the local community saw fit to honour her. I for one will stop and stare when in this area again.

THE LIFE AND TIMES OF COLONEL WILLIAM LIGHT

Last month's speaker Glen Woodward gave us a fascinating insight into the life and time of Colonel William Light, with lots of interesting facts about the man who set out the City of Adelaide. Colonel William Light's full name was William Julian Light and was born in 1786 in Kedah, one of five children. He was the son of Francis Light who was an illegitimate son of Colonel Francis Negus. Francis Light took his name from his mother Mary Light of Suffolk and was a well educated boy who later joined the Navy. Francis later worked for the British East India Company based in Madras, became fluent in the language and cohabited with Martinha Rozells (the mother of William). Later Francis was sent to Prince of Wales Island (which is now Penang). He decided to send William to England for his education at the age of 6. The voyage took 9½ months. He stayed with his father's friends the Doughty family in "Theberton Hall" near Ipswich in Suffolk.

In 1799 at the age of 14 William quit school and joined the Navy as a Midshipman for 2 years sailing around the coasts of France and Spain. In 1802 he travelled to France with some friends but was interned by Napoleon in Verdun. He eventually escaped to England and in 1805 went to Calcutta for his sister's wedding. He stayed there for several years and saw a number of battles and perfected his horse riding. In 1808 he purchased a commission of Lieutenant in the Queens Cavalry and mixed socially as a guest of the Prince Regent. In 1809 he was posted to Lisbon with the Duke of Wellington and in Spain did some clever mapping and brave intelligence work (due to him being fluent in Spanish).



In 1815 he was offered the position of ADC to the Duke of Wellington and after marching into Paris with the Duke, he took leave to travel to Italy and Sicily where he did sketches for publication. He was then posted to Guernsey (Channel Islands), Portsmouth, Scotland and Ireland. He married in Londonderry but there are no records regarding his first wife. He then sold his Commission.

In 1823 he volunteered as ADC to Sir Robert Wilson in a futile Spanish Rebellion where he was wounded and had to wait for a paid passage back to England for hospitalisation. After 15 years in the Military, William was 38 years old, wounded and disillusioned by war. He lost his wife and was poor and lonely. A year later he married a young rich Mary Bennett, the illegitimate daughter of the Duke of Richmond. They honeymooned in Europe and visited the rich and famous. He kept up with his sketching and paintings. Between 1827 and 1835 he sailed around the Mediterranean and was contracted by the Pasha of Egypt to recruit British sailors to man warships for the Egyptian Navy to

control the Mediterranean. Mary was only 24 at this time and William was 45. We can only speculate that this marriage did not last. In 1836 Light sailed the "*Rapid*" to South Australia as Surveyor General to select a site for the City of Adelaide. He left his wife Mary in Egypt and took a

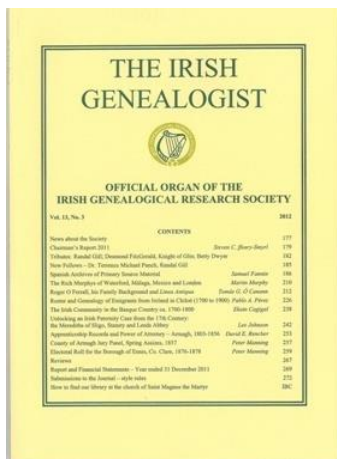
young housekeeper Maria Gandy and her 2 brothers with him. They landed at Kangaroo Island and went on to Rapid Bay, Encounter Bay and Boston Bay (Pt Lincoln) looking for fresh water and a likely spot for the City. After many disputes between Light and George Kingston it was decided that the Torrens site would be the most suitable. Governor Hindmarsh arrived later who demanded they needed a Port. William Light was never really accepted into the aristocracy of Adelaide due to his dark complexion, and was ostracised from Society being half Spanish.

In January 1837 a ceremony took place to begin the survey at the corner of North and West Terrace and by March the allocation of allotments went ahead. The disputes between Kingston, Hindmarsh and Light became quite hostile, as William had been given only a wheelbarrow to complete his work, plus he was not paid well, in fact sometimes not at all. The later surveys he completed of Port Adelaide, Glenelg, Encounter Bay, Yankalilla, Gawler and the Barossa Valley were completed on foot. One can only assume that after this time he would have bought horses, equipment and had some surveying help.

In 1838 after more arguments, Colonel Light resigned together with his surveyors and formed his own company, Light, Finnis & Company in the hope of being paid for the surveys. By this time William was ill with tuberculosis. He and Maria Gandy were living in a house close to Port Road (near the now Coca Cola factory) where he kept his sketches and paintings. In January 1839 a fire destroyed this cottage and all his possessions were lost. A new house was built for him and Maria near the River Torrens named "Theberton" where he sold some of his paintings and became an excellent gardener. William was growing steadily worse with TB and finally passed away in October 1839 aged 53, leaving a number of debts. He is buried under his monument in Light Square.

In 1840 Maria married Dr George Mayo and had 3 children and 3 famous grandchildren.

The Irish Genealogist Database launches with 250,000 names



The Irish Genealogical Research Society – “the Great Granddaddy of all Irish Family History Societies” – has launched an online names index to its annual journal, *The Irish Genealogist*, and it runs to a quarter of a million names! What’s more, it’s free to search.

First published in 1937, *The Irish Genealogist* has allowed IGRS members to share the results of their research. This has resulted in many thousands of genealogy related articles, family histories and transcriptions of unusual records and sources. Typically, members have submitted information from newspapers, parish registers, family bibles, genealogies, voters lists, pedigrees, membership rolls, deeds, marriage settlements, census substitutes, land and tenure surveys, marriage license bonds, courts records, wills and much more besides.

The index covers the years 1937 to 2001 and will shortly be extended to 2012, creating a database of enormous potential for all Irish genealogists. You can access it in the Unique Resources section of the website, http://www.irishancestors.ie/?page_id=3039

1.30 pm Saturday 23th November

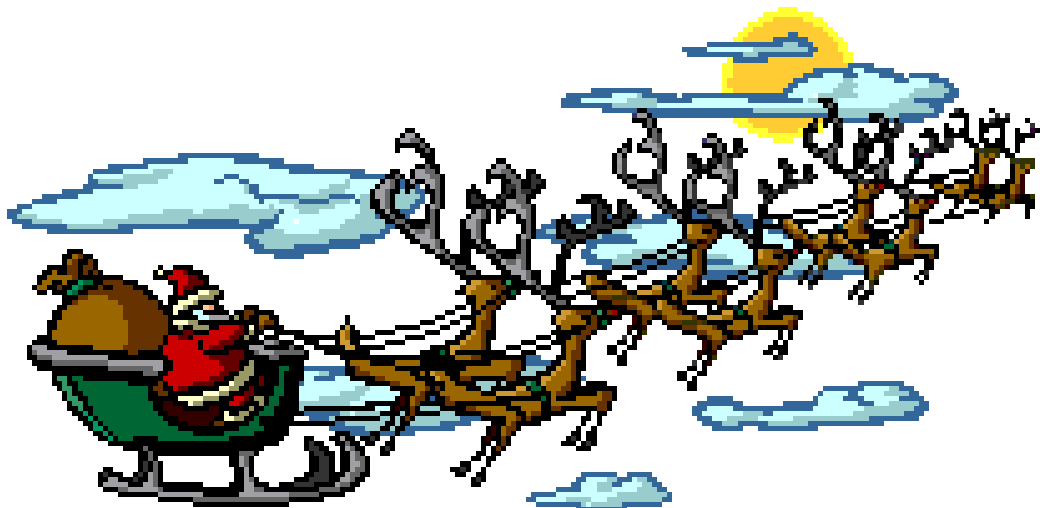
"Santa Claus"

Presenting Kris Kringle Gifts



In an effort to keep each year different, we are doing Kris Kringle this year for our end of year breakup.

We ask that those who wish to take part bring a Generic Kris Kringle Gift to the value of approx. \$10. These will be presented by our own in house Santa Claus.



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