
Died en-route to Australia

Posted by webmaster - 2007/10/09 14:19

Pete Smith has been doing some more detective work, and has provided us with a list of the Children who went out on the "Layton" in 1837, but who don't appear to have arrived in Sydney in 1838. It has been confirmed that out of 42 Bisley children on board, these 17 children died at sea from the measles epidemic that was on board the Ship.

(2 Adults - unknown - also died. The good news is that 2 children were born on the voyage).

Those who died were:

Butt, Eliza born 1829 Bisley Gloucester Died At Sea 1837
Butt, Emma born 1834 Bisley Gloucester Died At Sea 1837
Millard, Robert born 1837 Bisley Gloucester Died At Sea 1837
Millard, Samuel born 1835 Bisley Gloucester Died At Sea 1837
Mills, Emma Born 1830 Bisley Gloucester Died At Sea 1837
Mills, Ephraim Born 1835 Bisley Gloucester Died At Sea 1837
Mills, Rhoda born 1828 Bisley Gloucester Died At Sea 1837
Mills, Samuel Born 1834 Bisley Gloucester Died At Sea 1837
Pacey, Henry born 1835 Bisley Gloucester Died At Sea 1837
Parsons, Abel born 1836 Bisley Gloucester Died At Sea 1837
Parsons, George born 1834 Bisley Gloucester Died At Sea 1837
Perrett, William born 1834 Bisley Gloucester Died At Sea 1837
Phelps, Emma born 1829 Bisley Gloucester Died at Sea 1837
Phelps, Henry Arthur born 1836 Bisley Gloucester Died At Sea 1837
Tyler, Maria born 1835 Bisley Gloucester Died At Sea 1837
Tyler, Martha born 1833 Bisley Gloucester Died At Sea 1837
Witts, Caroline born 1833 Bisley Gloucester Died At Sea 1837
Wheeler, Rosanna Born 1835 Bisley Gloucester Died At Sea 1837
Wheeler, Daniel 1834 Bisley Gloucester Died At Sea 1837

Amazingly the other Families didn't lose any children. The Mills Family lost all of their children, but one was born on the ship.

Re:Died en-route to Australia

Posted by Maureen Stone - 2008/04/06 01:12

The research I have on the Mills Family aboard the Layton to Australia is that the only Samuel born 30.6.1833 died on the Tropic Line from measles on 5.11.1837. Emma Mills died in Sydney 1838 aged 8. Ephraim survived and travelled to New Zealand later with parents. Ammalo was born in Sydney not on board the ship and Rhoda seemed to have disappeared for a while but turned up again with her parents and Married a Dr Walter Lee 20.10.1846. I suppose this should be called the New Zealand connection.

Re:Died en-route to Australia

Posted by peter smith - 2008/05/01 07:47

That is an interesting post from Maureen on the Mills family. I thought that all 4 children died enroute; obviously not !! Is she aware that there is a Mills family bible on display at the All Saints church in Bisley. Nick Riches sent me some photos of it. There is an inscription on it regarding their arrival in Sydney NSW in 1838

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Posted by Maureen Stone - 2008/05/04 01:47

Thank you Peter Smith for the information about the Family Bible, I had no idea it was in the Church. I knew it had been presented to Samuel and Sarah but had no idea where it ended up. Samuel and Sarah stayed 2 years in Sydney then

travelled to New Zealand. Samuel worked for Governor Hobson as a carpenter and built the first houses and I believe ended up owning several homes. There is also a street called Mills Lane in the City.

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