**Essays on Mount Crosby - Camerons Creek**

Wending its way through the leafy acreages to the north-east of Mount Crosby is a beautiful little creek likely to have been named after Mr A.P. Cameron, former prominent citizen and commissioner's land agent for the city of Ipswich, who was great friends with centenarian George Holt (of whom we have written earlier).

Camerons Creek rises in the hilly country this side of Lake Manchester and communicates with Kholo (or Ugly) Creek before their combined waters join gently with the Brisbane River below Kookaburra Park. On its way it passes through the property known locally as Lofgren's Farm, now named "Heaven Earth" in commendable deference to the worthy Swedish poem by Evert Taube about the adventures of our Swedish immigrant and the former owner of the farm, Gus Lofgren.

In Evert Taube's poem, Camerons Creek is renamed Crimson Creek. Perhaps this is to create a pleasant image against the backdrop of the farms coloured soil and the orange trees said to grow there (both very important in Taube's poem); or perhaps an Englishman's name was just too awkward for a Swedish poem.

After passing by Lofgren's Farm, Camerons Creek fittingly wraps itself around the foot of Holts Hill and Camerons Hill; a nice way to remember the friendship between those two old Ipswichians.

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