

Elizabeth Baker - Col Sec 36-2944

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Posted 15 Oct 2010 by mgsharpe60

Elizabeth followed her convict husband to Australia with the first 3 children. She arrived on the 11 Mar 1831 on the 'Kains' which sailed from England 17 Jul 1830.

Not sure who her parents were. May be John Baker & Sarah Chapman as her granddaughter married one of John & Sarah's G grandson in Tumut.

Originally believe Elizabeth to be the granddaughter of George Rivers, a Baron but looks unlikely.

Came to Australia as an assisted passage aboard a convict ship (Kains) to join her husband. Elizabeth was killed when the cart she was in overturned on the road between Marulan and Goulburn near the Shelly farm. She lies in an unmarked grave about 1 to 2 miles south of present day Picton NSW (maybe Taralga).

Goulburn, NSW: A burial certificate Number 880 Vol. 20 has been found for an Elizabeth Harris, aged 31 years, wife of a ticket of leave holder. It has been assumed that this is Elizabeth Baker, the first wife of Jonathon. No other matching record has been found. A note found with the original publication of banns for Jonathan's marriage to Ann Grubb by Wm Shelly, master of Jonathan, states that his wife died four years last March. This note is dated 16/9/1840 and is consistent with the burial certificate above. This note is filed with the burial certificate Document Harris 0008.

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Police Officer
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Sir,

The recent relative by the
 magistrate is a very
 interesting one - but I
 know the road and do not
 consider it more dangerous
 than any other. Now
 we will surely continue to
 be on hand of great interest
 and little or no population.

April 21st

Yours truly

I have the honour to
 report for the information
 of your Excellency the Governor
 that on Wednesday morning
 last a woman of the name
 of Elizabeth Harris free,
 wife I understand of a
 convict of leave, had been riding
 near Mr. Helly's farm on
 the Goulburn road, met
 her death by the overturning
 of her cart on the road
 between the two bridge
 breaks. She had a young
 baby in her arms who
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The Colonial Secretary

1844

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 but a short distance, but
 I consider it a part of the
 Goulburn road that requires
 the most repair.

I have the honour
 to be Sir

Yours most Obedient

J. A. White

Police Magistrate

Burial

Posted 11 Feb 2011 by mgsharpe60

There is an entry in the "Bungonia and District Cemetery and Burial Records" book compiled by Moira McGinity and Ann Smith in sections 3 for "People buried in the Cemetery whose grave sites are unknown" that states..

Elizabeth Harris age 31 years Died 3/4/1836 abode Bungonia Maiden name Baker. Remarks. Source is a letter from Eric Betts. Elizabeth's death was not verified until 16/9/1840. Her Husband Jonathon was a ticket of leave holder. There is also entries for this family in the Goulburn Pioneer register. One which states that Elizabeth's daughter Sophia had lived around Goulburn all her life.

der, and the inevitable consequence is that the filthy oil finds its way into the well, so that any one who out of pure loyalty drinks his Majesty's health in a ladle full, has a certain portion of the product of the South Pacific to assist it in gliding more glibly down his capacious gullet. A more injudicious spot for placing a lamp could not well have been selected, but when fixed it should at least be kept in such repair as to prevent the contents of a capital well of excellent water, dug at considerable expense being destroyed.

The end of no punishment can be to destroy the health of the party offending in any minor degree against law and justice. This observation was made through seeing on Thursday, half a dozen miserable wretches, men and women, seated in the stocks during a heavy rain, by which it must be clear to the most casual observer not only the health but the life of a party may be seriously endangered. Either a shed should be erected over the stocks, or some other place appropriated for punishment during inclement weather. In Colonel Morriset's and Capt. Rossi's time, parties sentenced to the stocks were either placed under them, which is not now practicable, or were detained in custody in the Hall of the Court, according to the time they were respectively sentenced. Some alteration of the present system is decidedly necessary.

DREADFUL ACCIDENT—On Wednesday last, as a cart containing a woman and infant child, driven by a lad the son of the woman, was proceeding from Bong Bong to Campbelltown on the way to the market, the lad allowed the horse to swerve from the road, and coming on a ridge capsized it, when awful to relate, the woman fell under the cart, and was crushed to death; the feelings of the lad, who was unable to raise the cart from off his dying parent can be better imagined than portrayed. Sometime after, the mail passing, rendered all the assistance possible, but the hand of death had marked the unfortunate woman for his victim; all aid was vain; the child, strange to say, escaped uninjured. A coroner's inquest was convened at the time our informant left Campbelltown.

time our informant left Campbelltown. the result of which we are not aware of.

We observe by advertisement, that Mr. Lyons offers for sale by private contract, no less a quantity than FIVE ACRES of land within the town of Sydney, sufficient for the erection of one hundred houses. This is a larger plot of ground than we ever remember to have been offered for sale in the same situation.

Ladies, servants, and children, need not now stint themselves of strolling in the Domain as formerly, through fear of being assailed by prowling ruffians, as the Chief Constable, Mr. Jilks, has removed his residence to Macquarie-street, and the back of his house joins the Domain, independently of which a constable is always ready for duty at a moment's warning. Several constables also patrol round the walk, by which the place has become perfectly safe—a more delightful stroll cannot be imagined than by the walks leading to Mrs. Macquarie's chair at sun-rise. The cool refreshing breezes wafted over the rippling waters of Port Jackson, impart vigor to the system, and brace the nerves for the duties of the day. Vessels getting under weigh, add also to the beauty of the scene.

Besides the vessels noticed in our last, as having sailed from Hobart Town for this port, the *Bencoolen* and *Black Warrior*, were fixed to sail from thence on Sunday last, and the *Thomas Laurie* to be fitted out here as a whaler, the necessary stores being cheaper at this port than that. The passengers by the *Persian* for London are—Captain M'Cumming, 4th regt. lady, child, and servant, Mr. Moses Brown, Mrs. Brown, child, and servant, Captain Saunderson, Mr. Francis, Mr. Newman, and Thomas Hayman. Those by the *Dryade* are—Jas. Mudie and Benjamin Burdekin, Esq., and Miss Lockitt.

The *Avon*, *Augustus Caesar*, and *Governor Harcourt*, are all three ready, or nearly so, for a start for Old England. Wool and oil, those inexhaustible staple articles of local export, fill them chock up.

BAY OF ISLANDS, NEW ZEALAND,
MARCH 16, 1836.—Vessels in harbour—

Name	where married	when	Term	Name	where married	when	Term
Sarah M. Rogers				Sarah Bishop			
Ann Hamilton	London (London)	26 th April 1830	Seven years	Mary Palmer			
Jane Holmes	London (London)			Mary Mack			
Jane Norton				Sarah English			
Sarah Jones	London (London)	27 th May 1830	Seven years	Elizabeth Moore			
Ann Amosworth	d: —	d: 27 th May 1830	Seven years	Harriet Constable			
Swannah Rogers	Middlesex (London)	11 th June 1829	Seven years	Elizabeth Tinsley			
Mary M. Pearson	d: —	d: 10 th September 1829	Seven years	Sarah Giff			
Johnanna Dean	d: —	d: 29 th October 1829	Seven years	Mary Harvey	Middlesex (London)	15 th April 1830	Seven years
Ann Smith	d: —	d: 3 rd December 1829	Seven years	Eliza Harris			
Isabella M. Collins	d: —	d: 14 th January 1830	Seven years	Mary Murphy			
Harriet Walters	d: —	d: 15 th April 1830	Life	alias Porter			
Eliza Montague				Elizabeth Taylor			
Jane Wallis				Mary Ellis			
Mary Tolman	d: —	d: 15 th April 1830	Seven years	Sarah Smith			
Mary Geary				Ann Douglas			
Mary Ann Ward	Middlesex (London)	15 th April 1830	Seven years				

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• Marriage - Jonathan Harris & Elizabeth Baker

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England & Wales Marriages, 1538-1940 England & Wales Marriages, 1538-1940 Name: **Jonathan Harris** Gender: Male Spouse's name: Elizabeth Baker Marriage Date: 17 Nov 1821 Marriage Place: Mayfield, Sussex, England
Source Citation: Place: *Mayfield, Sussex, England*; Date Range: 1813 - 1881; Film Number: 1067250.

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Description:

This database contains information extracted from marriage records from selected various counties in England and Wales. The records date from 1538 to 1940. The records included in this database do not represent **all** localities in England and Wales and for any given area, coverage (both records within a year and total year range) may not be complete. Some parishes and counties are more complete than others.

. Death

Posted 11 Feb 2011 by mgsharp60

The letter below provides some information about the circumstances of Elizabeth Harris' death.

Colonial Secretary Correspondence

36/2944 - 2nd April 1836

Police Office Stonequarry 1st Apr 36

Sir,

I have the honour to report for the information of His Excellency the Governor that on Wednesday morning last a woman of the name of Elizabeth Harris free, wife I understand of a Ticket of leave holder residing near Mr Shelly's farm on the Goulburn road, met her death by the overturning of her Cart on the road between this and Myrtle Creek, She had a young baby in her arms who Providentially escaped unhurt. She has left a husband and five Children and joined him from England about five years back.

I would beg leave to take this opportunity to call His Excellency's attention to the bad state of the road where this accident happened, It is but a short distance, but I consider it a part of the Argyle Road that requires the most repair.

I have the honor To be Sir Your Most Obedient Servant HC* Antill Police Magistrate

Annotation on LHS of letter, as transcribed below: The event related by the Magistrate is a very melancholy one - but I know the road and do not consider it more dangerous than very many others now are and must continue to be or (*) of great extent and little or no population.

April 2 (initialed) Put by* The Honorable The Colonial Secretary

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