

CHILD OF THOMAS AND MARY TAPLEY

15517 SUSANNA TAPLEY (1824 -1893)

Susanna (or Susan) TAPLEY, was born at Vlissingen (Flushing), in Holland, on 21 January 1824. Her Father was Thomas TAPLEY (1789-1856), a Baker of Vlissingen, and her mother was Mary TAPLEY, nee Morford (1791-1867) (1)

The family lived at Vlissingen for the next few years, until about 1828 when they moved to Rotterdam in Holland, where they remained until they left Holland to return to England.(2)

On 3 July 1838, Susanna, listed as aged 14, with the family at Old Gravel Lane, Ratcliff Highway, just prior to their departure from England to South Australia (3)

The family left London on the ship RAJAHSTAN, departing 17 July 1838, and arrived in Adelaide, South Australia on 16 November 1838. Shortly afterwards they moved to the area that became known as Tapley's Hill. (4)

By 1841, Susanna, aged 17 years, was listed in the Census of that year with the family, living in District B, (under 21 years). (5)

Susan married at the age of 21 years, on 18 December 1844, to Frederick RANSFORD, a sheepfarmer (listed as of full age and was in fact 29). The marriage took place in Mr Stow's Congregational Chapel, in Adelaide, and was conducted by the Revd Thomas Quinton STOW himself. Witnesses to the marriage were a number of members of the TAPLEY family-

Kitty TAPLEY, her sister.

Thomas TAPLEY, her brother.

Elizabeth TAPLEY, her sister,

Richard TAPLEY, a cousin.

William TAPLEY, also a cousin (6)

Frederick and Susanna settled first at Yankalilla, South Australia, where Frederick had a sheep Farm. Then later, Frederick obtained land at Cape Jervis, South Australia on the Fleurieu Peninsula, and they moved there soon after the homestead was built there.(7)

In the ensuing years the following children were born-

155171 Mary Jane RANSFORD, born 30 June 1849 at Cape Jervis(8)

155172 Anne RANSFORD, born 11 July 1855, in Adelaide .(9)

In 1871, her husband bought the "COBHAM" property at Morphettville, South Australia, for a city home, and he used the adjacent 80 acres of land as a stock depot. The house, adjacent to the Sturt River, was built on two levels, with a semi-underground area for summer coolness. On the upper level were eight rooms with Stringybark flooring, and all the cedar woodwork was shipped from Tasmania. From its eastern windows was a view of the Sturt River flowing through the property. (10)

Her eldest daughter, Mary Jane was married on 30 April 1873 to Charles CHAMBERS. (11)

Her second daughter, Anne, was married on 3 September 1887, to Neil St. Andrew McEACHERN, who appears to have worked for the RANSFORD family on the Cape Jervis Station property. (12)

Susan RANSFORD died on 3 September 1893, at the age of 69 years. (13)

Her husband, Frederick, died a year later. (14)

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2. See life of Thomas TAPLEY (1789-1856)
3. Information from J.SHARPE
4. Pioneers, Priests, and People- page 14
5. 1841 Census- SA ARCHIVES
6. Marriage Certificate of Susan TAPLEY to Frederick
7. Gracious Homes of Adelaide- page 34
8. S.A.B.D. & M. Microfiche
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References for Susanna TAPLEY

BIRTH CERTIFICATE

BS Geboorte met Susanna Tapleij			
Child	<u>Susanna Tapleij</u>	Document type	BS Geboorte
Birth date	21-01-1824	Institution name	Zeeuws Archief
Birth place	Vlissingen	Institution place	Middelburg
Gender	Vrouw	Collection region	Zeeland
		Archive	25
Father	<u>Thomas Tapleij</u>	Registration number	VLI-G-1824
Profession	bakker	Sourcenummer	16
Age	32	Registration date	23-01-1824
		Certificate place	Vlissingen
Mother	<u>Mary Morford</u>	Collection	Vlissingen geboorteakten burgerlijke stand
Age	31		
Event	Geboorte		
Event date	21-01-1824		
Event place	Vlissingen		

MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE

1844.... Marriages in the District of Adelaide
 When Married..... 18 December 1844
 Where..... Mr Stow's Chapel
 Names..... Frederick RANSFORD Susan TAPLEY
 Age..... Full 21 yrs
 Rank..... .Sheep Farmer ---
 Description..... Bachelor Spinster
 Name of Clergyman.... Thos. Quinton STOW, Officiating Minister
 When Registered 18 December 1844
 Signature of Officiating Minister.. Thos. Quinton STOW
 Married at Mr Stow's Chapel, Adelaide, on Authority of Certificate
 from the Deputy Registrar, by me, Thos. Quinton Stow, Officiating
 Minister.
 Witnesses..... Kitty TAPLEY Thomas TAPLEY
 Elizabeth TAPLEY Richd TAPLEY
 Wm TAPLEY

SPOUSE OF SUSAN TAPLEY

Frederick RANSFORD (1815 - 1894)

Frederick RANSFORD was born in England about 1815.(1)

At the age of 25 Years, in 1840, he decided to leave England, emigrating to South Australia on the ship FAIRFIELD, which arrived at Adelaide on 14 December 1840.(2)

The FAIRFIELD was a ship of 434 tons, that had been built in 1833 at Hull, England. The owner was a Mr. Lawrence of Liverpool. The Captain was James LEE when it arrived in 1840 from London and Plymouth.(3)

Frederick RANSFORD spent his first Christmas in Adelaide, travelling about the surrounding countryside to select suitable land for sheep raising. He eventually settled in the district of Yankalilla, S.A. (4)

He would have travelled to and from Yankalilla past Tapley's Victoria Inn, and became acquainted with the family. On 18 December 1844 at the age of 29 years, he married Susan TAPLEY, 21 yrs, at Stow's Chapel, Adelaide. (5)

Frederick and Susan went to live at his property at Yankalilla. In 1847, while trying to locate some lost sheep, Frederick emerged from the thickly wooded area he was in, and saw some good land at Cape Jervis. After making enquiries about occupying the land, in August 1847, he made official application to purchase ten square miles, which had just been surveyed. He was the only interested applicant at the time and purchased the land where he subsequently built the Cape Jervis homestead, and several cottages for his workmen to live in. (6)

Frederick and Susan had 2 Children-

1. Mary Jane, born 1949.
2. Anne, born 1855.

In 1850, when "Old Colonist" visited the area he described the Cape Jervis Station--

"We entered upon a line of thick forest scrub, which we pursued on a tolerably well-defined track till we came to the brow of the fenced hill of this range, to a very steep descent into the valley, in the bottom of which is the farm of Mr. Ransford..."

"We now descended this not very safe hill with much circumspection and after long traverses, and about a mile beyond stopped at Mr Ransford's farm. Neither Mr or Mrs Ransford were there, but they were expected from town. We left a note of our visit, and had afterwards the pleasure of meeting them upon their return; their loaded dray with town supplies, having preceded them."

"Mr Ransford is a large sheepfarmer and grazier, he also cultivates wheat and potatoes. His house is of slab, but plastered on the outside; its front commands a fine view of the sea from the verandah, Cape Jervis being almost the central boundary of the coast. A garden has been made here, and fruit trees are planted, and seemed thriving, so far as we could judge without a near inspection "

"..Wages are considered high, 10 s. or 12 s. a week were paid to shepherds, 8s. to hut keepers. In some parts 14s with rations were given to shepherd; we believe that Mr Ransford, ... has given these wages." (8)

In 1871, Frederick purchased "COBHAM" at Morphettville for a city home, and at the same time was able to use the adjacent eighty acres as a stock depot for his sheep. (9)

His wife Susan died on 3 September 1893. (10)

Frederick RANSFORD died on 2 May 1894 at Cape Jervis Station, at the age of 79 years. His remains were taken to "COBHAM", and then buried in the Brighton Cemetery. (11)

REFERENCES-

1. Gracious Homes of Adelaide, By GUNTON- page 33
2. Ibid
3. Migrant Ships for South Australia- PARSONS- page 93
4. Gracious Homes of Adelaide p33
- 4a. Birth certificate of Susanna (LN)
5. Marriage Certificate of Susan and Frederick.
6. Gracious Homes of Adelaide, Page 33
7. BD&M Microfiche.
8. Colonists, Copper and Corn, pp 58-59
9. Gracious Homes of Adelaide
10. B.D. & M. Index and Microfiche
11. Ibid, and Gracious Homes of Adelaide.



Ransford Park Ruins- Cape Jervis



COBHAM - MORPHETTVILLE

CHILDREN OF SUSAN AND FREDERICK RANSFORD

155171 Mary Jane RANSFORD (1849- 1926)

Mary Jane RANSFORD was born on 30 June 1849 in South Australia. Her parents at the time were living at Cape Jervis Station. Her father was Frederick RANSFORD (1815-1894), a sheepfarmer of Cape Jervis, and her mother was Susan RANSFORD, nee TAPLEY (1824 - 1893). (1)

Mary Jane grew up at Cape Jervis Station and most of her early life was spent there.

She married on 30 April 1873, at the age of 24 years, to Charles CHAMBERS, 29 years, at St Paul's Church, Adelaide.(2)

They were to have two children....

1551711 John CHAMBERS, born 18 July 1873 in Adelaide.

1551712 Edgar Charles CHAMBERS born on 20 November 1875 at Brimbago, near Bordertown, South Australia (3)

Her mother died 3 September 1893, and her father died a few months later on 2 May 1894 . (4)

After the death of her father, they moved into the family home, "COBHAM" at Morphettville.

Mary Jane CHAMBERS died in 1926, and the property was sold, following her death. (5)

REFERENCES-

1. B.D. & M. Microfiche Reference 2/166
2. Gracious Homes of Adelaide, p 34 & BDM Microfiche
3. Births in SA BDM Records
4. B.D. & M. Indexes and Microfiche
5. Gracious Homes of Adelaide.- page 34

SPOUSE OF MARY JANE RANSFORD

Charles CHAMBERS (1843 -)

Charles CHAMBERS was born on 18 November 1843 at a location described as Sources of the Sturt. His father was John Chambers and His mother was Mary REDDEN (1)

He married Mary Jane RANSFORD on 30 April 1873 at St Paul's Church, Adelaide. (2)

They had two sons –

1. John CHAMBERS born 1873
2. Edgar Charles CHAMBERS born 1875

Initially they were in the Adelaide Vicinity where their first child was born, and were at Brimbago, near Bordertown when their second child was born.

They resided at Morphettville after the death of his wife's parents, in "COBHAM". (3)

I have been researching Cobham at Morphettville, and the families that have lived there over the years, and I think I can offer you some further information on Mary Jane and her husband Charles.

Charles was one of three partners of Chambers and Blades, the other two being a brother and a cousin. They owned the Green Dragon Brewery and the Green Dragon Inn on the corner of South Tce and Pulteney St, and a number of other hotels in South Australia. Charles died June 24th, 1877, aged 35.

Their son, Edgar, also went into brewing, and became the manager and head brewer for West-End Brewing in Broken Hill. Edgar died in 1910 of heart failure.

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REFERENCES-

- 1 B.D. & M. Microfiche and Indexes
- 2 Ibid
3. Gracious homes of Adelaide

B.I.S.A. Reference - page 255-

CHAMBERS, Charles

Died after 1885-June 24, 1877 aged 35 years

Res. Morphetville

m. 30.4.1873

Mary Jane nee RANSFORD

par. Fredk and Susanna nee TAPLEY

CHILDREN OF MARY JANE AND CHARLES CHAMBERS

1551711 John CHAMBERS (1873 -)

John Chambers was born on 18 July 1873 at Adelaide. His father was Charles CHAMBERS, (1843- and his mother Mary Jane CHAMBERS, nee RANSFORD (1849-1926)

Nothing further is known of him.

REFERENCE

SA BDM RECORDS Ref 124/48

1551712 Edgar Charles CHAMBERS (1875-)

Edgar Charles CHAMBERS was born at Brimbago, near Bordertown, South Australia on 20 November 1875. His father was Charles CHAMBERS, (1843- and his mother Mary Jane CHAMBERS, nee RANSFORD (1849-1926) (1)

Edgar Charles CHAMBERS, married at the age of 27 years on 29 March 1903 at a place called Edinburgh Castle, Adelaide to Montie May RANDALL, age 27, the daughter of Frederick RANDALL. (2)

They had at least two Children-

15517121 Doreen Edna CHAMBERS born 26 May 1904 at Mile End, SA (3)

15517122 Frederick Charles CHAMBERS born 1 December 1906 at Mile End. (4)

Edgar Charles CHAMBERS died 2 February 1910 at Grange, SA

REFERENCE

- 1 BDM Ref 159/45
- 2 BDM Ref 214/1074
- 3 BDM Ref 730/386
- 4 BDM Ref 774/235
- 5 Mann Family tree on Ancestry.com (LN)

CHILDREN OF SUSAN AND FREDERICK RANSFORD

155172 Anne RANSFORD (1855 - 1954)

Anne RANSFORD was born, probably at Adelaide on 11 July 1855. Her father was Frederick RANSFORD (1815-1894), sheep farmer of Cape Jervis, and her mother was Susan RANSFORD, nee TAPLEY (1824-1893). (1)

Anne RANSFORD, aged 31 years, married on 20 September 1887, to Neil St Andrew McEACHERN, an accountant, aged 29 years, at St Jude Church, Brighton. (2)

It seems likely that Neil worked for her father, and when her father died in 1894 they took over the farm at Cape Jervis. (3)

They had two children-

1551721. Ila McEACHERN, born at The Grange, on 28 Feb 1890 (4)

1551722 Susan Viola McEACHERN, born 15 Dec 1894 at Brooklyn Park. SA.(5)

Her husband, Neil, died by 1930. (6)

Anne McEACHERN, died on 22 October 1954, aged 99 years at Victor Harbour, South Australia. She is buried at Brighton. (7)

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1. B.D. & M. Microfiche Ref 5/193
2. BISA- page 1062; B.D.& M. Microfiche
3. S.A PO Directory 1897-98
4. BDM Ref 454/415
5. BISA-page 1062; B.D.& M. Microfiche 555/350
6. BISA page 1062
7. Ibid.

SPOUSE OF ANNE RANSFORD

Neil St John McEACHERN (1848-)

Neil St John McEACHERN was not born in Australia. His father was John McEACHERN (c1830 - 1886), a Master Mariner. His mother is not Known. (1)

The family had arrived in South Australia by 1885, and resided at Queenstown. His father died there on 25 Oct 1886. (2)

Neil became an Accountant by occupation and later was a grazier. (3)

He married Anne RANSFORD, on 20 September 1887, at St Jude Church at Brighton, SA (4)

When Anne's Father died in 1894 it appears that they may have taken over the Property at Cape Jervis. (5)

They had two children, both daughters-

1. Ila born 1890
- 2.. Susan Viola born 1895 (6)

They lived variously at Brooklyn Park, Blackwood, and Victor Harbour, South Australia. (7)

Neil predeceased his wife , having died by about 1930 . (8)

REFERENCES-

1. BISA page 1062
2. Ibid
3. Ibid
4. B.D. & M Microfiche & BISA
5. S.A. Post Office Directory 1897/98
6. B.D. & M. Microfiche
7. BISA- page 1062
8. Ibid

REFERENCES FOR Neil St Andrew MCEACHERN

BISA page 1062

McEARCHERN, Neil St Andrew

par. John

b. d. by 1930

occ. Accountant, Grazier

Res. Queenstown, Victor Harbor, Brooklyn Pk, Blackwood

rel. C/E

m. Anne nee RANSFORD 20 Sep 1887

par. Frederick and ? nee TAPLEY

b. c 1855 Cape Jervis

d. 22.10.1954 Victor Harbor, SA bd. Brighton

ch. Susan Viola (1895-1961), dau

BISA- page 1062

McEARCHERN, John

b. c 1831 d.25.10.1886 Queenstown, SA

arr. by 1885

occ. Master Mariner

res. Queenstown

m. Unknown

Ch. Neil St John

CHILDREN of Anne and Neil St John McEACHERN

1551721 Ila McEAHERN (1890 -

Ila McEACHERN was born on 28 February 1890 at the Grange, SA. Her father was Neil St John McEACHERN and her mother was Anne McEACHERN, nee RANSFORD.

Reference

BDM RECORDS

1551722 Susan Viola McEACHERN (1895 - 1961)

Born on 15 December 1894 at Brooklyn Park, South Australia.. Her Father was Neil St John McEACHERN and her mother Anne McEACHERN, nee RANSFORD (1855 - 1954).(1)

Nothing further known

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1. BISA and BDM Microfiche