

**Family Story of:**  
**John Crowe and Agnes Anderson**

*(Belfast, Northern Ireland to Australia)*



*Update: 7 January 2025*

*John Crowe and Agnes Anderson*

**John Crowe was born in Belfast, County Antrim Ireland c1822, the son of Thomas Crowe, a land steward and his wife Mary.**

**John Crowe's wife, Agnes Anderson was also born in Belfast, County Antrim Ireland c1823, the daughter of John and Barbara Anderson.**

**John Crow (Crowe) was to marry Miss (Agnes) Anderson at Dundonald (a large settlement and Parish in County Down, just 10km east of Belfast) on 24 August 1843.**

*(This story is elaborated on, in a separate article at the end of this document)*

**John Crowe and his wife Agnes set sail from Liverpool, England on 15 March 1844 on the 776 ton ship “Briton” as “Bounty” (or assisted migrants) to the labour starved colony of New South Wales.**

**Shipping Records reported the following:**

No.	Name	Age	Native Place	Religion	Dead or Writ
x	boat Simon	13	Lancashire	Protestant	
x	Abraham	10	do	do	
x	John	6	do	do	
x	Mary Ann	6	do	do	
x	11 boat William	17	do	do	Read
x	Elizabeth	20	do	do	do
x	12 boat Francis	17	do	do	Servitor
x	Josiah	23	do	do	Read
x	13 Chappel Joseph	24	Lancashire	do	Both
x	Isaac Ann	24	Walsley (Lancashire)	do	do
x	Pownall John	8	Lancashire	do	
x	Chappel Joseph	1	do	do	
x	James Watson	1	Born on board	do	
x	14 crew John	22	American	do	Both
x	Agnes	21	do	do	do
x	15 Daniell James	22	Lancashire	do	Servitor
x	Mary Ann	19	do	do	Read
x	James	27	do	do	Read
x	Samuel	28	do	do	do
x	Lancaster Harriet	11	do	do	
x	16 boat Sarah	8	do	do	
x	Eliza	6	do	do	
x	Anne	11	do	do	
x	Emma	1	do	do	
x	17 Ford James	24	Dorsetshire	do	Both
x	Elizabeth	27	do	do	Servitor
x	James	3	do	do	

CALCULATED	DOUBT	REMARKS
Adult best forward	30 15 .	
Men	9 3 9	
Boys	9 3 9	
Women	9 3 9	
Daughters	9 3 9	73 10 .
James Laborer	18 7 6	
James Servant	18 7 6	30 15 .
James Laborer	18 7 6	
James Servant	18 7 6	30 15 .
Agnes Kitchen Maid	18 7 6	
Domestic Servant	18 7 6	
Men	9 3 9	
Boys	9 3 9	
Daughters	9 3 9	55 2 6
James	18 7 6	
James Servant	18 7 6	30 15 .
James Servant	18 7 6	
James Servant	18 7 6	30 15 .
James Servant	18 7 6	
Daughters	9 3 9	
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Laborer	18 7 6	
James Servant	18 7 6	
Men	9 3 9	
Adult can you?	45 18 9	973 17 6

**MARRIED MALE IMMIGRANT**

<b>Name</b>	<b>John Crowe</b>
<b>Arriving by the Ship</b>	<b>Briton</b>
<b>A native of</b>	<b>Belfast</b>
<b>Parents Name</b>	<b>Thomas and Mary (Land Steward)</b>
<b>Calling</b>	<b>Gardener</b>
<b>Age</b>	<b>21 (22 yrs on immigration certificate)</b>
<b>State of bodily health, strength, And probable usefulness</b>	<b>Very Good</b>
<b>Religion</b>	<b>Episcopalian</b>
<b>Read and Write</b>	<b>Both</b>
<b>Any Complaints</b>	<b>None</b>

# Remarks

Margaret Logan – Neighbours Child  
18 pounds 7 shillings 6 pence  
(\*Bounty Migrant Agents Payment)

John was a native of Belfast, Ireland however persons giving *certification for John's immigration records* were all from Manchester, England:

- Registry of Baptism  
William Lamb, Clerk, Stockport
- Physician or Surgeon certifying his healthy condition - James Whitehead, Surgeon, 133 Oxford Street, Manchester
- Householders certifying his character etc:  
John Holmes, Ardwick, Manchester  
William Johnson, Granby Row, Manchester  
George Barton, Charlton, Medlock
- Employer & Clergyman certifying the correctness of the statement in the form  
John Brogden, Ardwick, Manchester  
Rev A W H Rose, Polygon, Manchester
- Signature of Bounty Agent: None
- Signature of Sub. Agent: William Ollian?, 3 Bow Lane, Manchester.

	NAME.	RESIDENCE.
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Employer and Clergyman certifying the correctness of the statement in the Form	John Brogden, Rev A. W. H. Rose	Ardwick, Polygon Manchester.
Signature and date of Local Agent	None	
Signature and date of Sub-Agent	William Ollian	3 Bow Lane, Manchester.

**A MARRIED MALE IMMIGRANT.**

Name John Crow

Arrived by the Ship Briton

Brought out by \_\_\_\_\_

A native of Belfast

Parents' Names J<sup>r</sup> & Mary Land Steward

Calling Gardener

Age 21

State, of bodily health, strength, and probable usefulness } W. J. G. G. G.

Religion Episcop

Read or Write Both

Any complaints None

Remarks Margaret Logan. Neighbours Child  
£18. 7. 6.



## MARRIED FEMALE IMMIGRANT

Name	Agnes Crowe
Arriving by the Ship	Briton
A native of	Belfast
Parents Name	John and Barbara Anderson (deceased)
Calling	Farm Servant (also Domestic Servant listed on Immigration Certificate)
Age	21
State of bodily health, strength, and probable usefulness	Very Good
Religion	Episcopalian
Read and Write	Both
Any Complaints	None
Male Children under 14 years	None
Female Children under 14 years	None
	18 pounds 7 shillings 6 pence (*Bounty Migrant Agents Payment)

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*Agnes Crowe*  
**MARRIED FEMALE IMMIGRANT.**

Arrived by the Ship

Brought out by

A native of *Belfast*

Parents' Names *John & Barbara Anderson, deceased*

Calling *Farm Servant*

Age *21*

State of bodily health, strength,  
and probable usefulness } *Very Good*

Religion *Episcopalian*

Read or Write *Both*

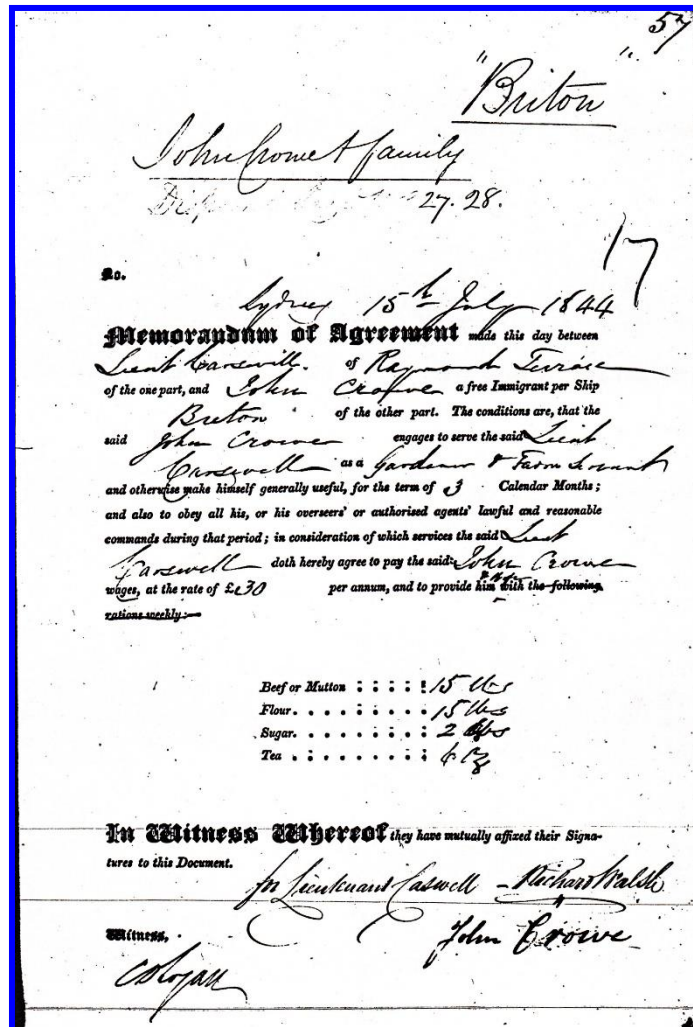
Any Complaints *None*

*According to Certificate*  
*Dom. Servant*  
*21.*

*£18. 7. 6.*

## John Crowe – Memorandum of Agreement

On 15 July 1844, John Crowe signed a Memorandum of Agreement to work as a gardener and farm servant for Lieutenant Caswell of Raymond Terrace for a period of 3 months.



"Memorandum of Agreement made this day between Lieutenant Caswell of Raymond Terrace of the one part, and John Crowe, a free Immigrant, per Ship "Briton" of the other part. The conditions are that the said John Crowe engages to serve the said Lieutenant Caswell as Gardener and Farm Servant and otherwise make himself generally useful, for the term of three Calendar Months; and also to obey all his, or his overseers' or authorised agents' lawful and reasonable commands during that period; in consideration of which services the said Lieutenant Caswell doth hereby agree to pay the said John Crowe wages at the rate of 30 pounds per annum and to provide him with.

In Witness Whereof they have mutually affixed their Signatures to this Document.

**For Lieutenant Carswell – Richard Walsh**

**John Crowe**

For this John Crowe would be paid **£30** (30 pounds) per annum and John and his wife provided with **weekly rations** of:

- 15 lbs of beef or mutton
- 15 lbs of flour
- 2 lbs of sugar
- 6 oz of tea



## Lieutenant William Caswell – ‘Tanilba’



Lieutenant Caswell, his wife Susan and two children arrived in Sydney in 1829 and were granted 920 acres on the Williams River, which became known as "Ballickera".

Dissatisfied with the size of the grant, he pressed his claim for a larger amount, and the following year Governor Darling authorised a further 50 acres.

Lieutenant Caswell named the property "Tanilba", an Aboriginal name meaning "place of white flowers", perhaps a direct reference to flannel flowers that grow profusely in the region.

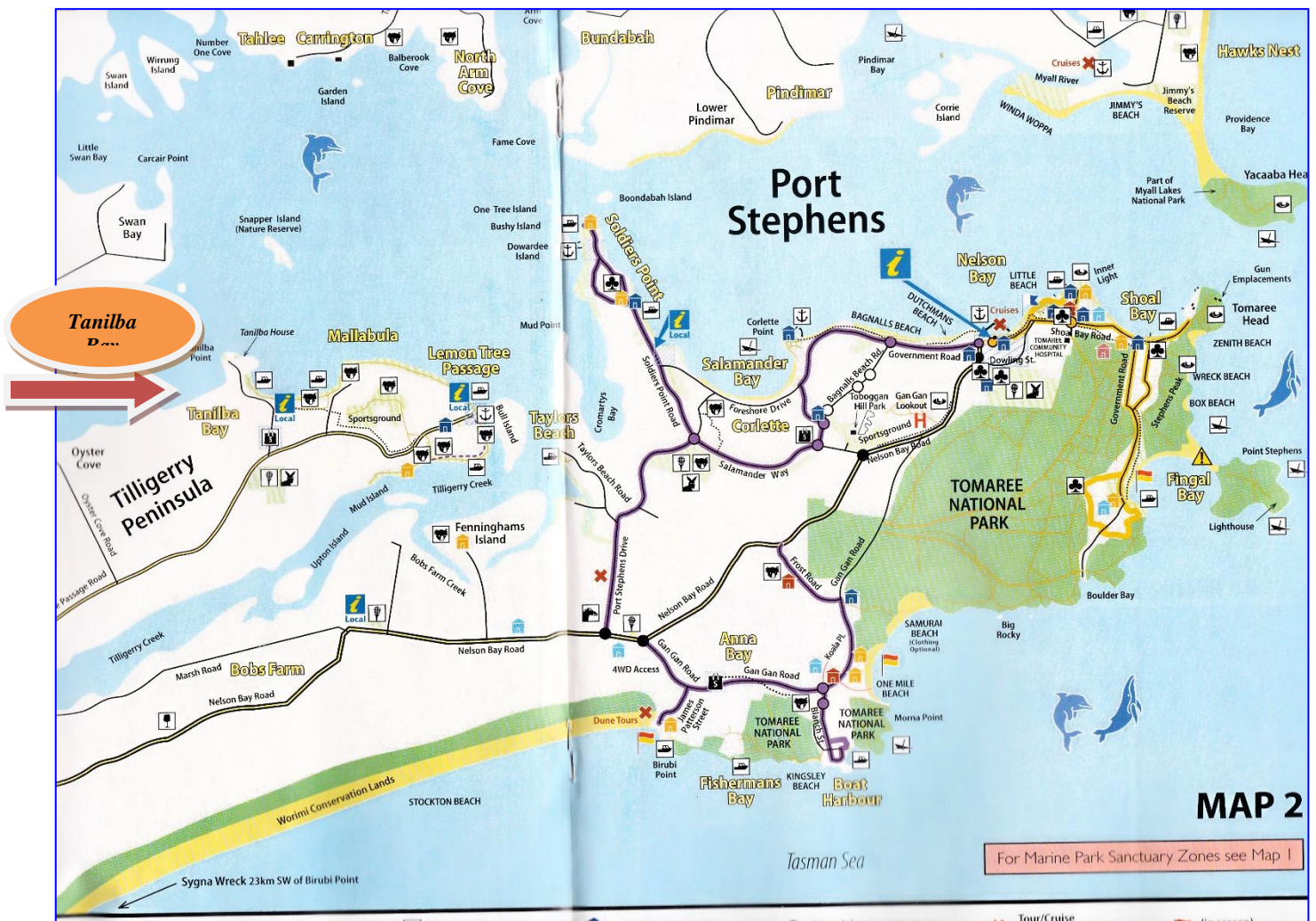
Gardens were established and a ten acre vineyard planted, which, apart from being one of the earliest vineyards planted, was also quite successful, producing 1000 gallons of wine annually by 1850.

In 1837 construction of Tanilba House commenced. The historic home which commands majestic views of Tanilba Bay, still stands, as a testimony to our

early colonial days.

*(Extracts from "Tanilba House" pamphlet, and "A History of the Tilligerry Peninsula" book, read at the Raymond Terrace FHS research room)*

The historic "Tanilba House" at Tanilba Bay, Port Stephens, where Lieutenant Caswell lived and where John and Agnes were first employed, was once is open to the public every Wednesday and Sunday, but now only available for Weddings, Celebrations and Corporate Events.



### *John Crowe and Agnes Anderson – ‘Tanilba’*

It appears that John and Agnes Crowe resided in the Raymond Terrace area until c1848/1849. their first 3 children Thomas, Emily and Mary were born in the Raymond Terrace area at ‘Tanilba’.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthdate</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Baptism Date</u>	<u>Place</u>
<i>Thomas Crowe</i>	1 December 1845	‘Tanilba’ Raymond Terrace	5 April 1846	Eldon, Clarence Town & Dungog Parish (Church of England)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthdate</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Baptism Date</u>	<u>Place</u>
<i>Emily Crowe</i>	28 March 1847	‘Tanilba’ Raymond Terrace	25 April 1847	Gloucester Parish (Church of England)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthdate</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Baptism Date</u>	<u>Place</u>
<i>Mary Crowe</i>	26 April 1848	‘Tanilba’ Raymond Terrace	1 October 1848	Gloucester Parish (Church of England)

### *John and Agnes Crowe – Sydney Region*

John and Agnes Crowe, along with children Thomas, Emily and Mary had moved to the Sydney Region c1848/c1849.

The birth and baptism records of the following additional children gives some indication of the location of the Crowe family during their 7-10 years residence in the Sydney Region.

*[Note: records for each child are not complete]*

<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthdate</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Baptism Date</u>	<u>Place</u>
<i>John Anderson Crowe</i>	1 December 1849	Cooks River, Camperdown	10 February 1850	Camperdown Parish (Church of England)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthdate</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Baptism Date</u>	<u>Place</u>
<i>Ann Crowe</i>	14 Sept 1851	Balmain		

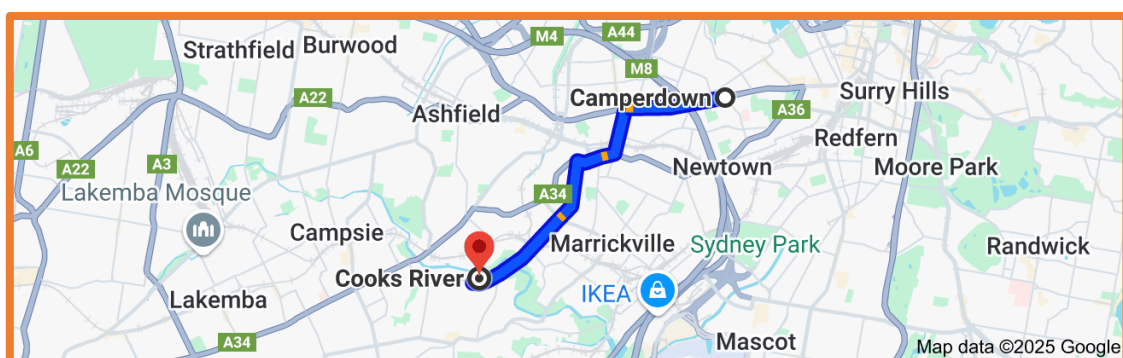
<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthdate</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Baptism Date</u>	<u>Place</u>
<i>Robert Daniel Crowe</i>	1 August 1853	Camperdown	16 October 1863	Camperdown Parish (Church of England)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthdate</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Baptism Date</u>	<u>Place</u>
<i>Agnes Crowe</i>	24 June 1855	Cooks River, Camperdown	30 Sept 1855	Camperdown Parish (Church of England)

Both John Anderson Crowe and Agnes Crowe are listed as being born at **Cooks River** in the Parish of Camperdown.

The **Cooks River**, a tide-dominated drowned valley estuary, is a tributary of **Botany Bay**, located in south-western Sydney. The Cooks River Catchment is about 100 square kilometres with a river course travelling a distance of 23-kilometres.

Cooks River on modern maps is listed as a locality (as below), as is Camperdown and both localities are approximately 7 km apart. Camperdown / Newtown was a Church of England Parish with Church Parishes often encompassing quite a large area.





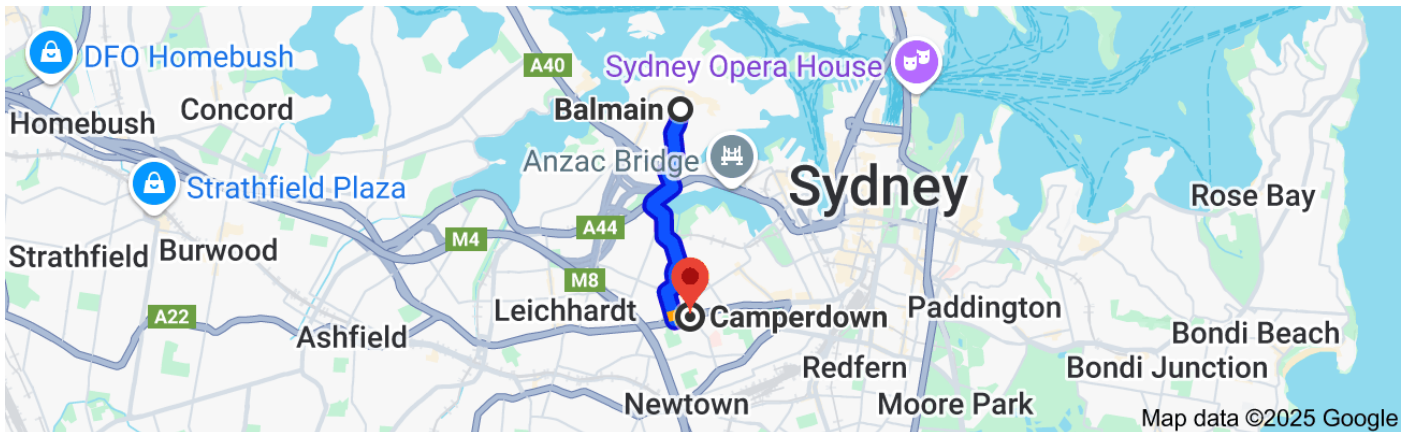
## John and Agnes Crowe – Sydney Region (continued)

*Other information was provided as follows:*

Both daughters of John Crowe and Agnes (nee Anderson), Ann Crowe and Agnes Crowe died at an early age:

BURIALS in the Parish of <i>Camperdown</i> in the County of <i>Cumberland</i> in the Year 1853						
Name.	Abode.	When died.	When buried.	Age.	Quality or profession. (if bond, ship's name.)	Signature of Clergyman.
2156 No. <i>Ann Crowe</i>	<i>Balmain</i>	<i>Jan: 16</i>	<i>Jan: 17</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>Daughter of a Miner</i>	<i>by Henry Thomas 21/10 2/</i>

- **Ann Crowe** died on 16 January 1853
- Ann was buried on 17 January 1853 at **Camperdown Cemetery**
- Ann died aged 16 months
- Ann's abode was listed as **Balmain**
- Ann was the 'daughter of a **miner**



Balmain and Camperdown are separated by a distance of 4km


BURIALS in the Parish of <i>Camperdown</i> in the County of <i>Cumberland</i> in the Year 1855.						
NAME.	Abode.	When Died.	When Buried.	Age.	Quality or Pro- fession, (if Bond Ship's Name.)	Signature of Clergyman.
5487 No. <i>Agnes Crowe</i>	<i>Cooks River</i>	<i>Aug<sup>t</sup> 28</i>	<i>Aug<sup>t</sup> 31</i>	<i>14</i>		<i>by Henry Thomas 5/5/58</i>

- **Agnes Crowe** died 28 August 1855 – her abode listed as **Cooks River**
- Agnes was buried on 31 August 1855 at **Camperdown Cemetery**
- Occupation of father - **unlisted**
- Agnes died aged 14 months




When **Robert Daniel Crowe** was baptised on 16 October 1853

- Robert Daniel's abode was listed as **Camperdown**
- The occupation of John Crowe was a **miner**

Application	P14177/77 SW
	
NEW SOUTH WALES	
Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Act, 1973	
BAPTISMS	
Number	1895 Vol: 44
CHILD	
Christian name	Robert Daniel
When born	1st August, 1853
Date of ceremony	16th October, 1853
Where ceremony performed	Parish of Camperdown County of Cumberland
Where registered	-
PARENTS	
Father	John Crowe
Mother	Agnes Crowe
Abode	Camperdown
Quality or Profession	Miner
Sponsors	-
By whom the ceremony was performed	Chas. C. Kemp

I, John Brettell Holliday,  
hereby certify that the above is a true copy of particulars recorded in a register of  
Church of England Baptisms kept by me



Abode: **Camperdown**

Profession: **Miner**

### John and Agnes Crowe – Land Purchase

On 7 March 1853, John Crowe of Balmain pays £20 (20 Pounds) for the purchase of 20 acres of land in the County of Camden.

The land was listed as “west of the Cataract River” and next to Henry Angel’s 50 acres on Angel Creek”

The 20 acre purchase was located a long way from Balmain, being well south of Campbelltown and Appin, close to the present day Cataract Dam.

***Note:** Henry Angel was most likely the same Henry Angel who was a member of the well documented Hume and Hovell overland expedition to Port Phillip.*



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NEW SOUTH WALES.

LAND PURCHASE.

Country Lot.

GRANTEE, John Crowe  
DATE, 7<sup>th</sup> March 1853  
COUNTY, Camden  
ACRES, 20

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom  
of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the  
Faith, and so forth:

TO ALL to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:—

WHEREAS in conformity with the Laws now in force for the Sale of Crown Lands in Our Territory of NEW SOUTH WALES, and Our Royal Instructions under Our Signet and Sign Manual, issued in pursuance thereof John Crowe of Balmain has become the Purchaser of the Land hereinafter described, for the Sum of Twenty Pounds

Sterling; Now Know Ye, That for and in consideration of the said Sum for and on Our behalf, well and truly paid into the Colonial Treasury of Our said Territory, before these Presents are issued, And in further consideration of the Quit-Rent hereinafter Reserved, We HAVE GRANTED, and for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, DO HEREBY GRANT unto the said John Crowe His Heirs and Assigns, Subject to the several and respective Reservations hereinafter mentioned, ALL THAT Piece or Parcel of Land in Our said Territory, containing by Admeasurement Twenty

Acres, be the same more or less, situated in the County of Camden and Parish of Unnamed, on the Cataract River Bounded on the South East and South West by the Cataract River opposite St. Angel's Fifty Acres Purchase at the confluence of that River with Angel Creek, on the North East by a line bearing North forty degrees West thirty chains; and on the North West by a line bearing South fifty degrees West six chains fifty links, Being the Land put up to Sale as Lot 8 in pursuance of the Proclamation of 3<sup>rd</sup> August 1844, and subsequently selected by the said John Crowe under the eleventh Paragraph of the Regulations of 1<sup>st</sup> March 1843.

with all the Rights and Appurtenances whatsoever thereto belonging: To Hold unto the said John Crowe His Heirs, and Assigns for ever, YIELDING and Paying therefore Yearly unto Us, Our Heirs and Successors, the Quit-Rent of One Peppercorn for ever, if demanded; Provided Nevertheless, AND WE DO HEREBY RESERVE unto Us, Our Heirs and Successors, all such parts and so much of the said Land as may hereafter be required for making Public Ways, Canals, or Railroads, in, over, and through the same, to be set out by Our Governor for the time-being of Our said Territory, or some Person by him authorised in that respect; AND ALSO, all Sand, Clay, Stone, Gravel, and Indigenous Timber, and all other Materials, the natural produce of the said Land, which may be required at any time or times hereafter, for the construction and repair of any Public Ways, Bridges, Canals, and Railroads, or any Fences, Embankments, Dams, Sewers, or Drains, necessary for the same, together with the right of taking and removing all such Materials; AND WE DO HEREBY FURTHER RESERVE unto Us, Our Heirs and Successors, the right of full and free ingress, egress, and regress, into, out of, and upon the said Land, for the several purposes aforesaid; In Testimony Whereof, We have caused this Our Grant to be Sealed with the Seal of Our said Territory.

WITNESS Our Trusty and Well-beloved SIR CHARLES AUGUSTUS FITZ ROY, Knight Companion of the Royal Hanoverian Guelphic Order, Governor-General of all Our Australian Possessions and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief of Our Territory of NEW SOUTH WALES and its Dependencies, at Government House, Sydney, in NEW SOUTH WALES aforesaid, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March in the Sixteenth Year of Our Reign; And in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand eight hundred and fifty-three

L.S. (Signed)

Chas. A. Fitz Roy

ENTERED on Record by me, this Eighteenth day of April  
One Thousand eight hundred and fifty-three

E. Deas Thomson

COLONIAL SECRETARY AND REGISTRAR.

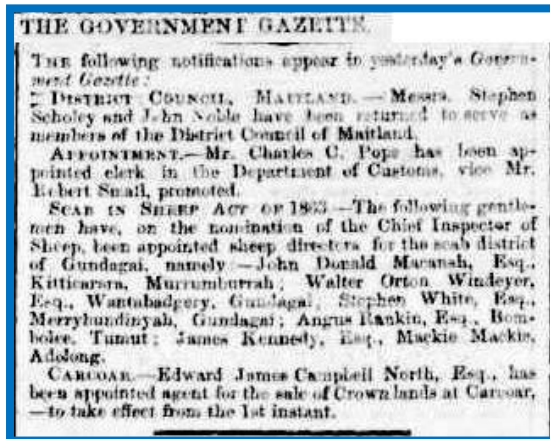
## John and Agnes Crowe – Overland to Tumut

Towards the end of 1856, John and Agnes Crowe had to bury their youngest daughter at Camperdown Cemetery.

It seems unlikely that John and Agnes Crowe ever occupied their 20 acre land purchase in the County of Camden as two years later, they were registering the birth of their son Hans Anderson Crowe at Tumut, New South Wales, well over 400km from Sydney.

Hans Anderson Crowe was born on 12 September 1858 at the property "Woolongar", Tumut.  
*(The location and ownership of that property is yet to be determined!)*

### 'Kitticarara' - Murrumburrah

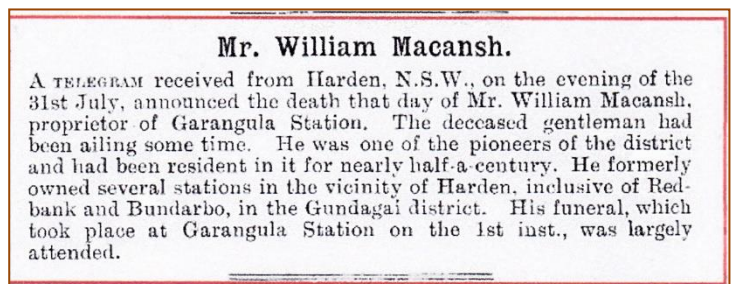


Apparently after "Wollongbar", John Crowe moved to the property "Kitticarara" owned by John Donald Macansh.

According to the Government Gazette article below John Donald Macansh was appointed as a Scab in Sheep Inspector and he listed his address as "Kitticarara" Murrumburrah (property near the present day Jugiong).

### 'Bundarbo' - Jugiong

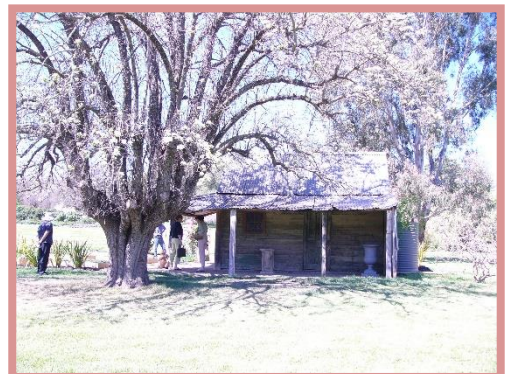
After working at "Kitticarara", John Crowe moved to the Jugiong property of "Bundarbo" on the Murrumbidgee River at Jugiong.  
The property owned by Mr William Macansh.  
It was at "Bundarbo" that John Crowe's wife Agnes was to die.



A few years ago there was an "Open Garden Day" at Bundarbo.

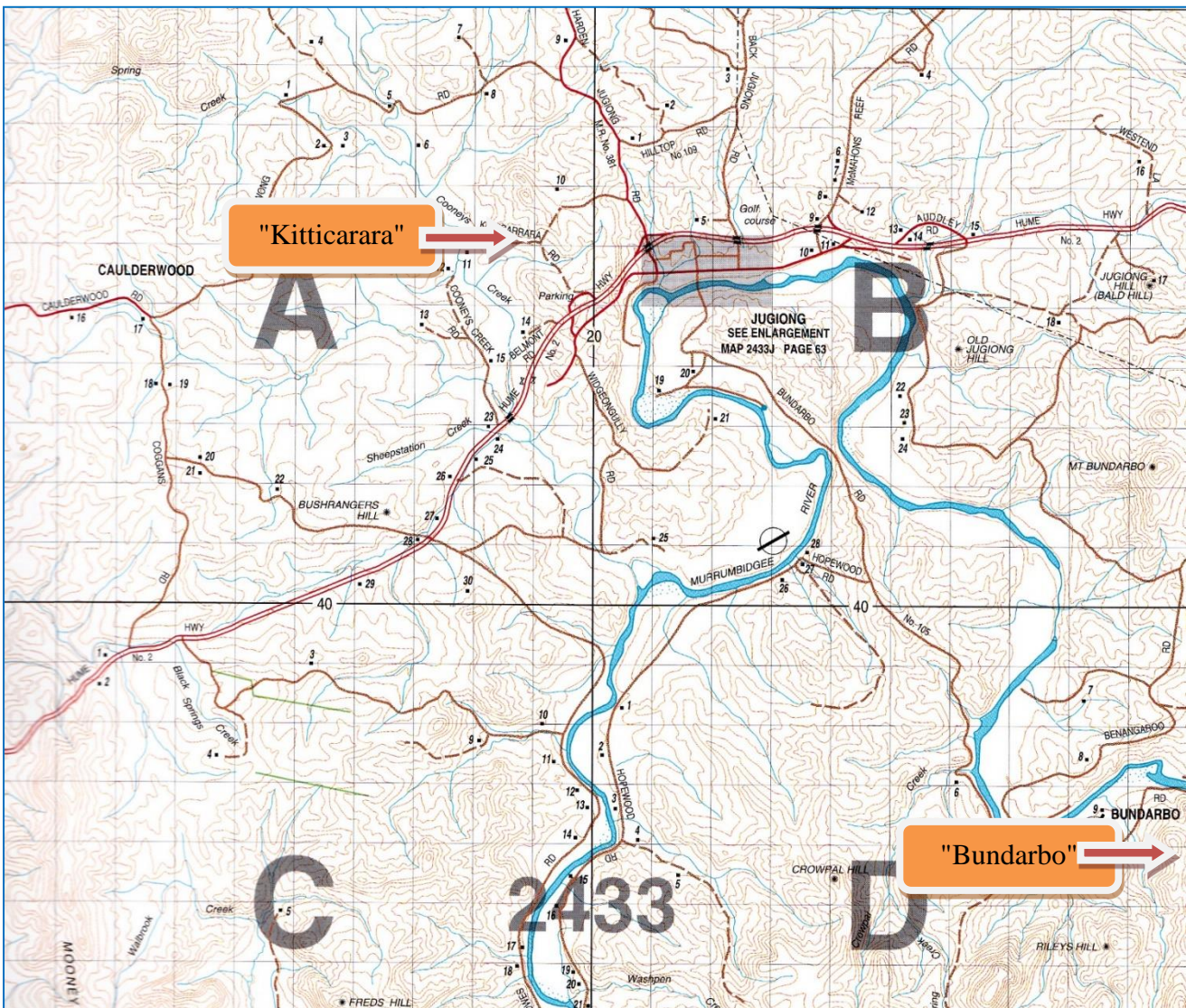
An interesting relic still present at "Bundarbo" was the gardener's shed.

One can only speculate as to whether or not John Crowe may have worked from this shed.





## “Bundarbo” property on the Murrumbidgee River



Agnes Crowe died at “Bundarbo” on the Murrumbidgee River near Jugiong, the property of Mr W Macansh in June 1863. It is believed she was buried at Jugiong Cemetery but no records are available as proof. Agnes Crowe would have been just 40 years of age when she died.

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## Wantabadgery

John Crowe was to later move further down the Murrumbidgee River to Wantabadgery to work for Mr Windeyer.

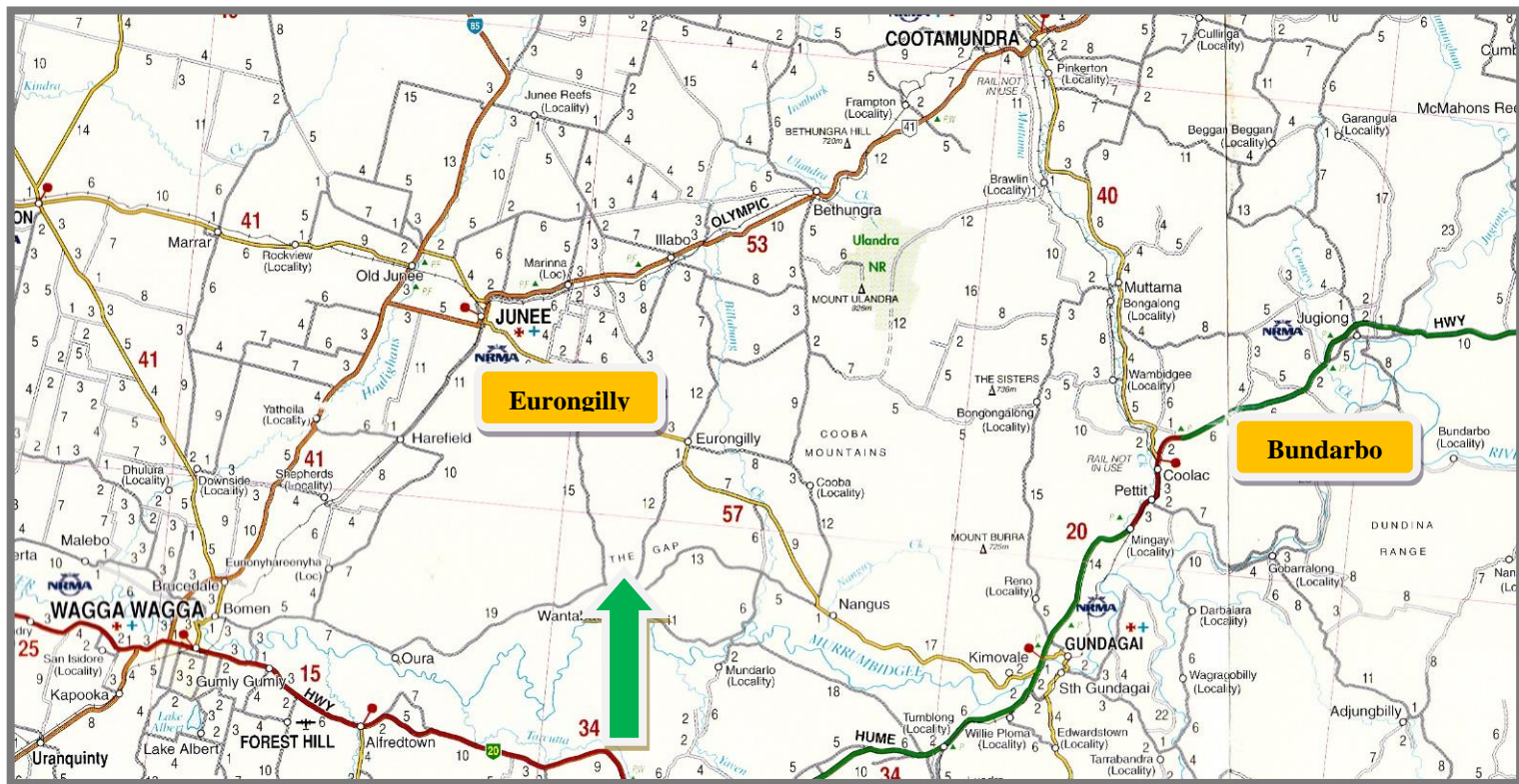
### Windeyer, Walter Orton (1833–1879)

**(Abbreviated)** The regret that we feel in announcing the death of Mr. Walter Orton Windeyer, of Wantabadgery, will be shared by everyone residing in this district. An old resident, honoured by all who knew him, he has passed from amongst us, and so suddenly that but few could realise the fact that he, whom they had but a day or two ago seen in their midst, apparently in the full possession of health, had gone "beyond the river."

The late Mr. Windeyer was an old resident in the district, having come to Wantabadgery in 1856.

The deceased was a son of Mr. John Windeyer, of **Raymond Terrace**, in the Hunter district, and was a cousin of the Hon. W. C. Windeyer, the present Attorney-general. The funeral which took place at Wantabadgery.

It is likely that John Crowe may have had previous contact with the Windeyer family as Walter Orton Windeyer, like John Crowe had moved south from the Raymond Terrace / Port Stephens area.



**Wantabadgery on the Murrumbidgee River**

## Dramatic Flood Rescue Attempt - John Crowe

John Crowe is featured in the following newspaper article in 1864 when working on **Wantabadgery station**.

Goulburn Herald and Chronicle, Wednesday 17 August 1864, page 2

THE DROWNING BY THE FLOOD.—The particulars of the drowning of the two men at Wantabadgery station have been forwarded to us by a correspondent. It appears their names are Wm. Chapman and Robert Fee, a noted pugilist, well known on the goldfields of this colony and Victoria. Mr. Crowe, head-gardener at Wantabadgery, made heroic endeavors to rescue these two poor fellows from their perilous position. When Mr. Windeyer gathered all the men on the station together to try to save these unfortunates, an old boat, supposed to be serviceable, was launched by Mr. Crowe, but sank under him. After this sad mishap Mr. Crowe and a black-fellow, under Mr. Windeyer's direction, proceeded to cut a canoe; but owing to the late frosts, the bark would not strip well, so that only a very indifferent one could be made. Mr. Crowe made a second attempt to rescue the men, and nearly crossed the river to the little island on which they were standing, but unfortunately when near the island the canoe went down. There were four men on the island; the water was rising fast, and Fee and Chapman, being good swimmers determined to swim for it, there appearing no other chance to save their lives; but having been exposed to the cold for some time their blood was chilled, and although they made desperate attempts to gain the opposite bank, they failed, and sank to rise no more. Fee, in particular, had nearly gained the bank, when he was seized with cramp, and sank shouting, in an agonised voice, "save me—oh! save me!" Mr. Crowe and the remaining man climbed a tree, where they had to remain until Mr. Windeyer procured a boat and took them off.—Murrumbidgee Herald.

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After Wantabadgery John Crowe was to settle down at Eurongilly where he was a nurseryman and miner.

**ACCIDENT FROM FOUL AIR.**—On Thursday morning last a very serious accident happened to a young man named John Crowe, in a mining shaft, at Eurongilly. It appears that on the above morning Crowe's father first went down the shaft, which is sixty feet in depth, to commence work, but finding the air bad he soon afterwards returned to the surface and his place was then taken by his son. Young Crowe sent a couple of buckets of dirt up and then experiencing a great sensation of suffocation and giddiness called out to his father to pull him up, and filling a third bucket, hitched it on the hook, and putting his foot in it and signifying that all was right his father commenced slowly winding him up. By this time however, the foul air in the shaft operated with alarming effect upon him, a feeling that his senses were leaving him, he clutched the rope with convulsive energy in the hope of reaching the pure air on the surface in safety. Just, however, as he reached the mouth of the shaft, and as

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Various newspaper items sourced from “Trove” give us further glimpses into the life of John Crowe, after the death of his wife Agnes.

*{Trove is a National Library of Australia Project where Australian Newspapers have been digitised from early settlement days to approx 1950's – it is powered by a powerful search engine which allows ready access to millions of published articles}*

### John Crowe Snr & his son John Anderson Crowe – “Accident from Foul Air”

The Queanbeyan Age newspaper dated Thursday 16 February 1871 recounts a very dramatic story extracted from the Wagga Wagga Express newspaper relating to **John Anderson Crowe** and his father **John Crowe Snr** as follows:

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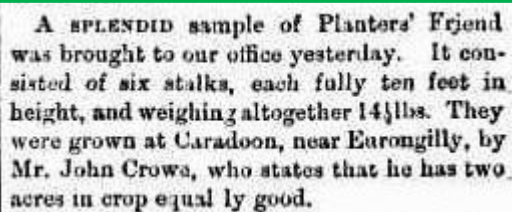
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Dr Robinson was as quickly as possible in attendance and found that Crowe had escaped almost miraculously without broken bones, but had otherwise been frightfully bruised, shaken, and injured. He vomited a good deal of blood, but recovered soon his consciousness, and with care it is believed will entirely recover from the shock his system has received.

The poor fellow is just of age, and has been but two months married. [Wagga Wagga Express](#) {John Anderson Crowe married Annie Bevan on 23 December 1870 at his father's residence at Mitta Mitta}.

❖ [Wagga Advertiser and Riverine Reporter](#) – Saturday 16 March 1872



A SPLENDID sample of Planters' Friend was brought to our office yesterday. It consisted of six stalks, each fully ten feet in height, and weighing altogether 14½ lbs. They were grown at Caradoon, near Eurongilly, by Mr. John Crowe, who states that he has two acres in crop equally good.

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Planters' Friend is a type of **sugar cane** and certainly would have been an experimental crop in the Eurongilly area in 1872. John Crowe may have seen it growing in his days at Raymond Terrace.

An article in [The Maitland Mercury and Hunter River General Advertiser](#) published on Saturday 25 June 1870 makes mention of Planters Friend as follows:

**SUGAR FROM THE PLANTERS' FRIEND.**

*The week before last we reported the first steps of an experiment made at Morpeth by Mr. O. E. Middleton to make sugar from the juice expressed from the Planters' Friend; the canes crushed being some that had been repeatedly flooded, and which, so far as could be judged then from a tasting of the cane, and from its appearance, had lost none of their vitality from their submersion, or seemed to be at all injuriously affected in their sugar-producing qualities.*

*As a plant, therefore, that was peculiarly adapted to a locality so liable to floods as the valley of the Hunter, the value of the Planters' Friend seemed established, and it is somewhat tantalizing therefore to learn that no greater success had yet been reached in the manufacture of sugar from so useful and hardy a cane.*

*Mr. Middleton's boiling was a failure, and he did not manage to make the syrup granulate, so that further experiments are necessary before any encouragement can be gained from the success that has so far attended the cultivation of Mr. Holland's favourite. The process by which sugar may be produced from the juice of the Planters' Friend, is still a hidden process, and we can only hope that repeated failures will not operate in discouraging further experiments.*

## Townships of Clarendon or Eurongilly

Note: The Post Office at **Clarendon** was opened on 1 January 1866 but in 1886, the township was renamed **Eurongilly**

The Grevilles 1872 Post Office Directory, lists John Crowe Snr and John Crowe Jnr as follows:

### Clarendon

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Distance 276 miles South of Sydney

Mail closes at General Post Office Friday, 4 p.m.

Mail arrives at Post Town Sunday, 8.30 a.m.

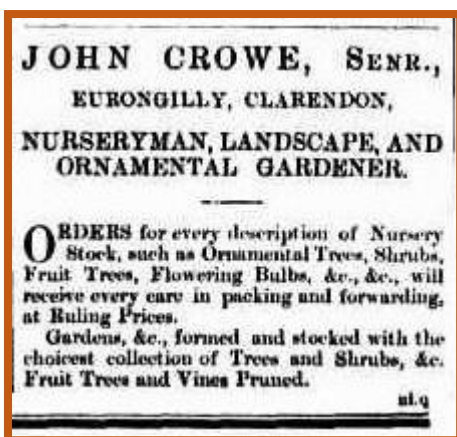
Mail leaves for Sydney Saturday, 3 p.m.

Mail arrives at Sydney Monday, 7.15 a.m.

Route - Rail Goulburn, 148 m. Clarendon

SURNAME	CHRISTIAN	OCCUPATION	ADDRESS	POST TOWN
ALLAN	Chas.	boundary rider	Wantabadgery	Clarendon
BARRON	Edward	farmer	Clarendon	Clarendon
BARRON	William	farmer	Clarendon	Clarendon
BARTLETT	John	engineer	Clarendon	Clarendon
BEVAN	James	miner	Clarendon	Clarendon
BEVERIDGE	James	farmer	Tenandra	Clarendon
BEVERIDGE	John	overseer	Wantabadgery	Clarendon
BISHOP	Samuel	innkeeper	Clarendon	Clarendon
BURKE	Michael	farmer	Cuba Ck.	Clarendon
BURKE	Patrick	farmer	Clarendon	Clarendon
CLARK	William	farmer	Mitta Mitta Ck.	Clarendon
CLARKE	George	farmer	Mitta Mitta Ck.	Clarendon
COOMBS	Robert	farmer	Clarendon	Clarendon
<b>CROWE</b>	<b>John jun.</b>	<b>miner</b>	<b>Clarendon</b>	<b>Clarendon</b>
<b>CROWE</b>	<b>John sen.</b>	<b>farmer</b>	<b>Clarendon</b>	<b>Clarendon</b>

The nursery business operated by John Crowe was regularly advertised in the Wagga Daily Advertiser as follows: *[below is the actual size of the advertisement]*



During the years **1875 – 1876** the same advertisement was inserted on approximately 55 occasions in either the Wednesday or Saturday edition of the Daily Advertiser.

As an example for June 1875, the advertisement is inserted as follows:

- Wednesday 2 June 1875
- Wednesday 9 June 1875
- Saturday 12 June 1875
- Wednesday 16 June 1875
- Wednesday 21 June 1875

Obviously John Crowe had a successful business in order to afford this most likely expensive advertisement which he continued for 2 years.

John Crowe would have been in his early 50's when this advertising took place.



Family tradition has it that Agnes Crowe also had great horticultural skills and brought the first “**English Dog Rose**” into the colony.



In the following two articles it is unclear as to whether or not the articles relate to:

- **John Crowe (Senior)**  
**or**
- **John Crowe (Junior)** – John Anderson Crowe  
*so the articles are included in both life stories!*

In the first article the story most likely relates to John Anderson Crowe as he was to become the first pound keeper at Clarendon [later Eurongilly]

An article in [The Gundagai Times and Tumut, Adelong and Murrumbidgee Advertiser](#) dated Saturday 25 September 1875, relates to an unfortunate and painful accident to John Crowe:

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A further article from the [Cootamundra Herald](#), dated 24 November 1886 speaks of another injury to John Crowe:

ACCIDENT.—Mr. John Crowe, of Eurongilly, met with an accident, through the upsetting of a cart, about a month ago, and on Monday found it necessary to consult a surgeon as to his injuries, which had left him helpless. He accordingly saw Dr. Anderson, of Cootamundra, who found that the sinews of the shoulder had been very much damaged. The injured parts were adjusted, much to the suffering of the patient, who finds that he will now have to nurse himself for a few weeks.

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**John Crowe [senior]** died on 25 March 1889 at his son's residence (ie Robert Daniel Crowe) at Bethungra.

**DEATH OF MR. JOHN CROWE.**—Readers who have known Mr. John Crowe, the miner and nurseryman of Eurongilly, will regret to hear of the death of this stalwart and much respected resident. He died peacefully at his son's residence, Bethungra, on Monday afternoon. He had been ailing for some time previously from heart and lung diseases, and was evidently declining; and his medical attendant, Dr. Anderson, gave no hope of his recovery. Deceased was 66 years of age, a native of Belfast (Ireland), and had been 40 years a settler in this colony. He first had charge of a vineyard in the Hunter River district, and, after a subsequent residence in Sydney, he came to the Tumut district, where he followed the pursuit of farming; thence he went to Kitticarara (Mr. J. D. Macansh's), and afterwards to Bundarb (Mr. W. Macansh's), where he lost his wife, some twenty years ago, and she was buried at Jugiong. He afterwards went to Wantabadgery for Mr. Windeyer (cousin of the present Judge Windeyer), and eventually settled down in his long-prized old home at Eurongilly, where for 18 years he followed the pursuits of a nurseryman and miner—both being very congenial to him. He always had a desire to establish a nursery adjoining the township of Cootamundra, and had arranged to do so this year; but his death has prevented that. He was the father of Mrs. Travers Jones, Muttama; of Mrs. Turnbull, now at Eurongilly; of Mr. John Crowe, Mitta Mitta; of Mr. Robert Crowe, Bethungra; and of Mr. Hans Crowe, one of the working shareholders and prospectors in the Mount Morgan reef, near Coolac. His remains are to be interred in the Church of England cemetery at Junee to-day (Wednesday), at the wish of some of his friends. Deceased was in his healthy days an active though quiet worker in the political contests in this electorate, and an uncompromising adherent to the principles which he held. A braver and truer friend, embodying all the nobler qualities of the man, it has not been our pleasure to have than our old and now departed friend.

The Cootamundra Herald's Wednesday Edition, published on 27 March 1889 lists: "Death of Mr John Crowe – Readers who have known Mr John Crowe, the miner and nurseryman of Eurongilly, will regret to hear of the death of this stalwart and much respected resident. He died peacefully at his son's residence, Bethungra, on Monday afternoon. He had been ailing for some time previously from heart and lung diseases, and was evidently declining; and his medical attendant, Dr Anderson, gave no hope of his recovery. Deceased was 66 years of age, a native of Belfast (Ireland) and had been 40 years a settler in this colony. He first was in charge of a vineyard in the Hunter River district, and, after a subsequent residence in Sydney, he came to the Tumut district where he followed the pursuit of farming; thence he went to Kitticarara (Mr J D Macansh's), and afterwards to Bundarbo (Mr W Macansh's) where he lost his wife, some twenty years ago, and she was buried at Jugiong. He afterwards went to Wantabadgery for Mr Windeyer (cousin of the present Judge Windeyer), and eventually settled down in his long-prized old home at Eurongilly where for 18 years he followed the pursuits of a nurseryman and miner – both being very congenial to him. He always had a desire to establish a nursery adjoining the township of Cootamundra, and had arranged to do so this year; but his death has prevented that. He was the father of Mrs Travers Jones, Muttama; of Mrs Turnbull now at Eurongilly; of Mr John Crowe Mitta Mitta; of Mr Robert Crowe, Bethungra; and of Mr Hans Crowe, one of the working shareholders in the Mt Morgan reef, near Coolac.

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### Death Certificate - John Crowe

DEATH REGISTERED IN NEW SOUTH WALES, AUSTRALIA.												
No.	Date and place of death	Name and occupation	Sex and age	Cause of death (Disease, medical attendant, when he last saw deceased)	Name and occupation of father (Name and maiden surname of mother)	Informant	Particulars of registration	When and where buried; name of undertaker	Name and religion of Minister or names of witnesses of burial	Where born and how long in the Australasian Colonies or Straits	Place of marriage, age, and to whom	Children of marriage
9905	25 March 1889 Bethungra	John Crowe Gardener	Male 66 years	(1) Heart Disease (2) several years (3) Dr J. D. Macansh (4) 13 March 1889	(1) John Crowe (2) Late Mrs (3) Son (4) Late Mrs	A. J. Crowe	26 March 1889 Cootamundra	27 March 1889 S. D. Hynes	Anglican H. A. Crowe	36 years 40 years	(1) Belfast (2) 20 years (3) 4 years	John 41 years Mary 10 " John 38 " Robert 24 " Hans 30 "

I, JOHN BRETTCELL HOLLIDAY, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE IS A TRUE COPY OF PARTICULARS RECORDED IN A REGISTER KEPT BY ME.

ISSUED AT SYDNEY. 21ST APRIL 1977.

J. B. Holliday  
PRINCIPAL REGISTRAR.



## Family of John Crowe and Agnes Anderson

*Thomas George Crowe m Isabella Emma Travers*

### **Thomas Crowe**

Born 1 Dec 1845 'Tanilba' Raymond Terrace

Died 18 Nov 1886 South Gundagai

*"Accidentally shot"*

**FATAL GUN ACCIDENT.**—A fatal accident occurred on Thursday last to Mr. Thomas Crowe, son of Mr. J. Crowe, of Eurongilly. It is said he was pulling a loaded gun by the muzzle end from his goods cart when it exploded, and he was shot through the body. Another account says that deceased, who was a dealer, drove his waggon up to some road-maker's tents, and asked permission to leave some articles there for a man named Andrews, who was to call for them. The road men were smoking and lying about at the time and Mr. Crowe commenced to unload his van. In doing so he stepped on to the floor of the vehicle, and a gun, which was found lying on a bag containing bacon, is supposed to have gone off, the shot penetrating Mr. Crowe's chest, and the poor fellow only lasted a few seconds. No one actually saw the accident, but Dr. O'Dwyer, who examined deceased, said the whole left side of the heart was shattered, and there was a gaping wound on the chest showing where the shot had entered, the poor fellow's watch being literally smashed to pieces. His age was 41 years, and he leaves a wife and seven children.

*Emily Crowe m Travers Jones*

### **Emily Crowe**

Born 28 Mar 1847 'Tanilba' Raymond

Terrace

Died 19 Sept 1904 Petersham

*"Wife of Miner and Member of Parliament  
Travers Jones"*

### **Death of Mrs. Travers Jones.**

An exchange says:—It is with regret, a regret that will be shared by a very large circle, that we have to record the death at her residence, St. Lawrence, 37 Brighton-street, Petersham, of the wife of Mr. Travers Jones, who was member for Tumut in the stirring political days of the Parkes-Robertson and Stuart Administrations. Mr. Jones was immensely popular in mining circles in the State, and especially so with the miners in Adelong. Mrs. Jones in great measure shared this popularity, and aided her husband in every good and charitable work, and their name was legion, not alone in the electorate which he represented but in many another locality as well. Deceased, who was 56 years of age at the time of her death, was the only sister of Mrs. Turnbull, and daughter of the late Mr. Crowe, of Eurongilly.



## Family of John Crowe and Agnes Anderson

*Mary Crowe m1) James John Treweek*  
*Mary Crowe m2) Robert Hunter Turnbull*

### **Mary Crowe**

Born 26 Apr 1848 'Tanilba' Raymond Terrace  
Died 22 June 1913 Junee



*John Anderson Crowe m Annie Bevan*

**John Anderson Crowe**  
Born 1 Dec 1849 'Cooks River'  
Camperdown  
Died 26 Aug 1928 Mitta Mitta  
(near Eurongilly)



## *Family of John Crowe and Agnes Anderson*

*Ann Crowe*

**Ann Crowe**

Born 14 Sept 1851 Balmain, Sydney

Died 16 Jan 1853 Balmain, Sydney - aged 16 months

*Robert Daniel Crowe m Annie Bevan*

**Robert Daniel Crowe**

Born 1 Aug 1853 Camperdown

Died 25 Jan 1912 Cootamundra





## Family of John Crowe and Agnes Anderson

### *Agnes Crowe*

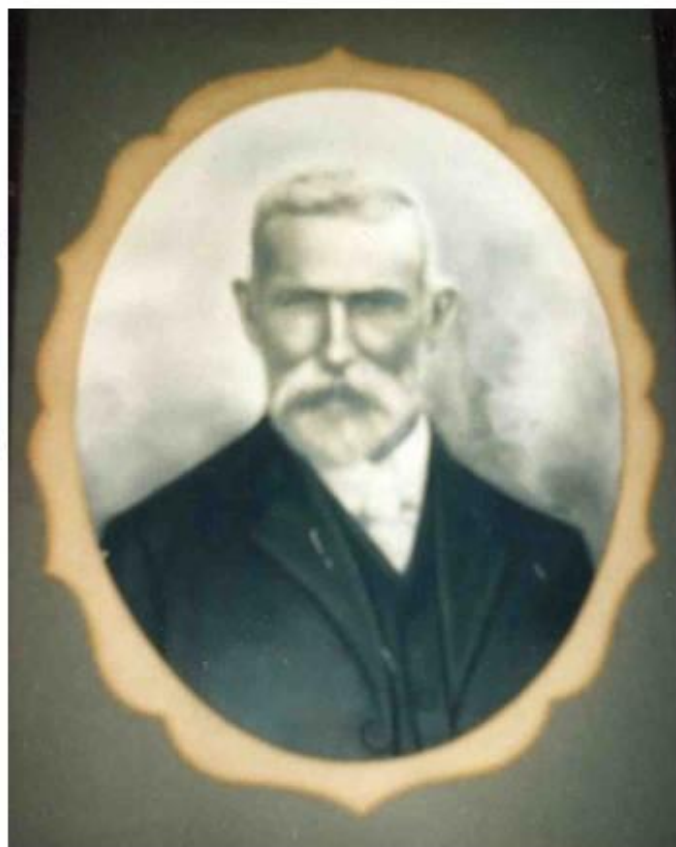
#### **Agnes Crowe**

Born 24 June 1855 'Cooks River' Camperdown  
Died 28 Aug 1856 'Cooks River' Camperdown – 14 months

### *Hans Anderson Crowe m Adelaide Dunk*

#### **Hans Anderson Crowe**

Born 2 Aug 1858 'Wollongwa' Tumut  
Died 11 Feb 1917 Illabo – 58 yrs  
*'Kicked by a horse'*



## Trip to Belfast, Northern Ireland – September 2015 – Pam Malone

In August / September 2015 Pam and John Malone undertook the family history tour of England, Wales and Ireland.

Pam Malone (a descendant of John and Agnes Crowe through their son John Anderson Crowe who married Annie Bevan) was to visit the city of Belfast in order to gain a sense of the city her forbears had come from.

As Belfast is the 17<sup>th</sup> largest city in the whole of the United Kingdom, our trip into the city from the M1 Motorway, in a hire car, was one of trepidation, but we managed to find a Carpark Area and was able to successfully park the vehicle.

After a few blocks of walking we were in the central business area of Belfast and soon linked into a guided tour of the magnificent Town Hall.



Belfast Town Hall





Part of the Belfast Town Hall Interior





## Marriage of John Crow and Miss Anderson

Passing the “**Linen Hall Library**” in the centre of Belfast there was an off chance entry into the library to see if there may be any information relating to the Crowe family that may expand our knowledge of their origins:



After enquiring at the Level 4 reception desk we were directed to a catalogue directory to search for “Crowe”.

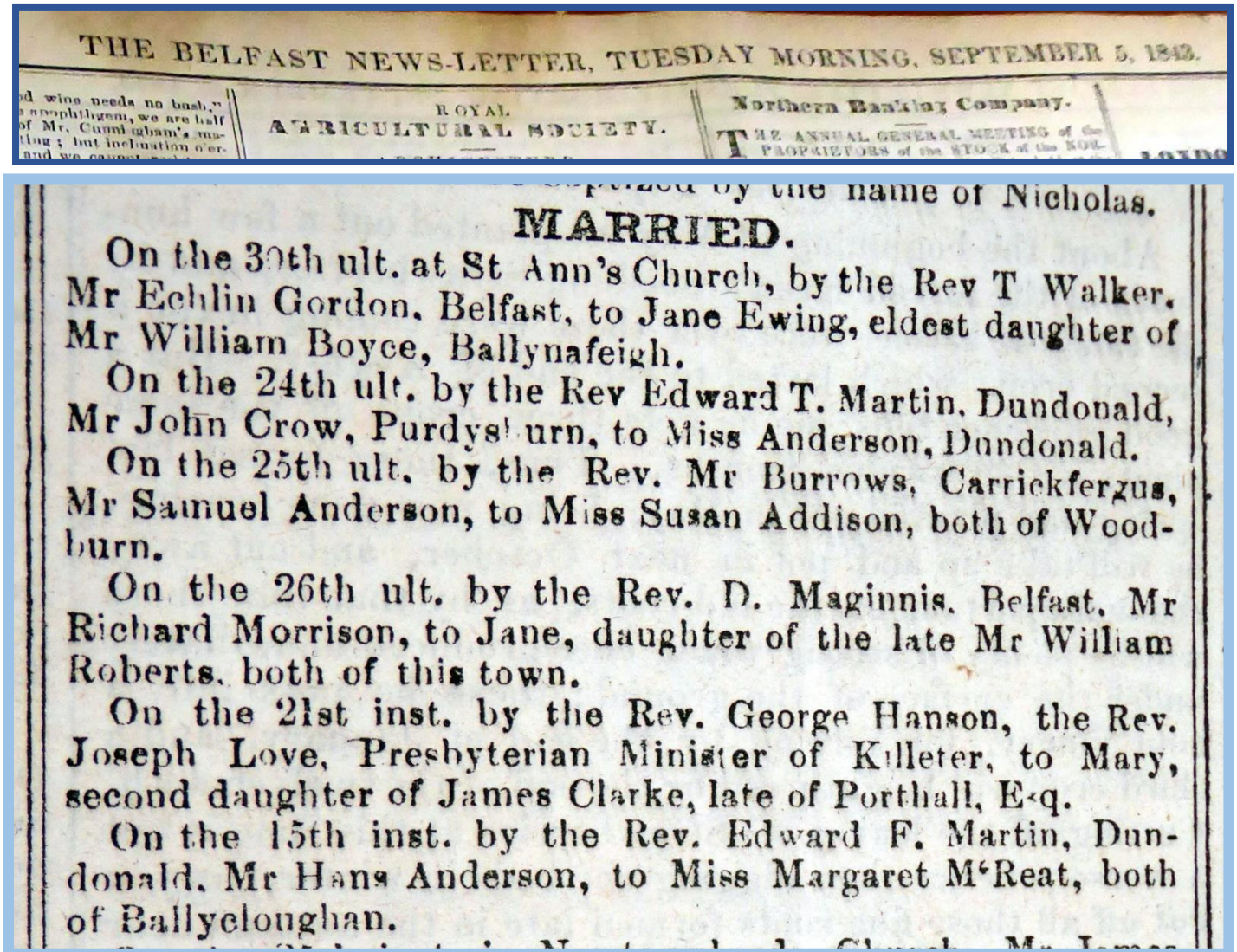
Up came a promising “hit” with the marriage reference for a John Crow to a Miss Anderson – bingo!

The microfilm copies were not available but Pam was handed a large bound copy of Belfast Newspapers.





In the Belfast News-Letter, Tuesday Morning, September 5, 1843 there appeared the following marriage notice:



***On the 24 ult. by Rev Edward T. Martin, Dundonald, Mr John Crow, Purdysburn, to Miss Anderson, Dundonald.***

As per the above marriage notice, John Crow (Crowe) married Miss (Agnes) Anderson on **24 August 1843**, which would have been just under nine months before they set sail as "Bounty Migrants" to Australia from Liverpool on the ship "Briton" on 15 March 1844.



John Crow was from **Purdysburn** which is a rural area on the edge of the city of Belfast.



**Miss (Agnes) Anderson** was from Dundonald. Dundonald is a large centre that lies just to the east of Belfast (it was described to us in Belfast, as “about the size of Parramatta”. It is often considered as a suburb of Belfast, but is a separate civil parish in County Down.



### **Dundonald Presbyterian Church**

**Reference:** Ros Davies' Co. Down, Northern Ireland Family History Research Site © Rosalind Davies 2001 in Church Green, Dundonald town in Church Quarter townland

Rev Thomas Peebles was the first minister from 1645-1670 & shared with Holywood.

He was succeeded by Rev. Gilbert Kennedy from 1673 until 1678 when Rev. Thomas Cobham was ordained. He fled to Scotland for 5 years during the troubles. The church was separated from Holywood in 1704 and the first undivided minister was Rev. James Stewart, who was offered £20 per annum and 20 boll of oats and a farm, from 1709 until his death in 1748.

Next was Rev. James Hamilton from 1754 until his transfer in 1758. Next was Rev. William Ray from 1761 until he sailed for North America in 1765. He was succeeded by Rev. Hugh Smith in 1766 until his death in 1771. The church was extended with a projecting aisle added in 1769.

The minister from 1772 until he became infirm was Rev. James Caldwell.

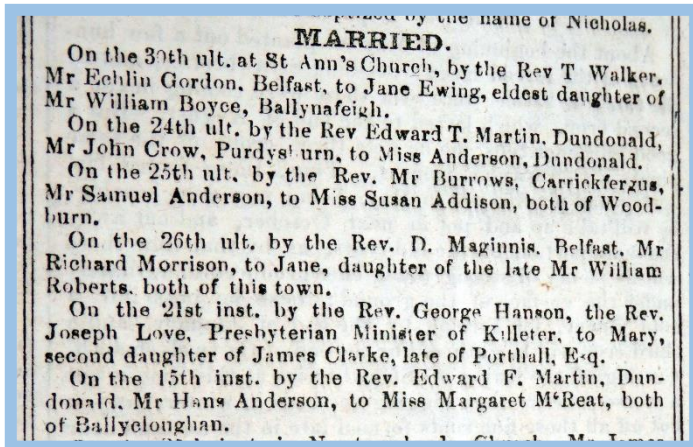
His assistant then successor was Rev. William Finlay until his death in 1834 aged 47. In 1834 it was described as a very old, plain building measuring 64 feet by 30, capable of holding 300 people. The next minister was Rev. William Graham from 1835 until he became a Jewish missionary in 1843.

**A new church was built 1839. Rev. Edward Thompson Martin was appointed in 1843 until 1883.**

As the above article suggests, the Reverend Edward Thompson Martin was appointed minister of the Presbyterian Church at Dundonald in 1843 (the same year of the newspaper marriage listing) and so the church pictured above would have been most likely the church that John Crow and Miss Anderson were married in.



In the **Belfast News-Letter, Tuesday Morning, September 5, 1843** there appeared a second marriage notice also of interest to the Crowe Family:



On the 15<sup>th</sup> inst. by the Rev. F (T) Martin, Dundonald, Mr Hans Anderson to Miss Margaret McReat, both of **Ballycloughan**. This marriage took place just 9 days previous to the marriage of John Crow and Agnes Anderson.

The name "Hans Anderson" is a very common given name that has passed down



the generations in the Crowe family, so Mr

Hans Anderson may have been a brother of Miss (Agnes) Anderson.

**Hans Anderson** and his new bride both came from Ballycloughan (Ballycloughan).

Ballycloughan is a townland of County Antrim, Northern Ireland and the area is generally synonymous with the current area known as Stormont. The gardens of the Stormont Estate are in Ballycloughan, *(although most of the buildings on the estate, including Parliament Buildings, are in Ballymiscaw).*

Stormont Estate is next to the city of Dundonald and its centrepiece is the Northern Ireland Parliament House (pictured).



**Northern Ireland Parliament House – Stormont**

## DNA Discoveries

On 25 August 2024 a DNA match was sighted between Pam Malone and Morna Ferguson.

Morna Ferguson traces her family tree back to the previously mentioned marriage:

*On the 15<sup>th</sup> inst. by the Rev. F (T) Martin, Dundonald, Mr Hans Anderson to Miss Margaret McReat, both of Ballycloughan.*

Pam and Morna are listed as 3<sup>rd</sup> Cousins 1x Removed, giving substance to the theory that Agnes Crowe (nee Anderson) and Hans Anderson were in fact brother and sister siblings.



Shared matches with **Morna Ferguson** that have a **Cootamundra** connection:

Name	DNA Shared (cM)	Child of John & Agnes Crowe descended from:	Relationship to Morna Ferguson
Pam Malone	15cM	John Anderson Crowe m Annie Bevan	3 <sup>rd</sup> cousin 1x removed
Julianne Collingridge	40cM	Robert Daniel Crowe m Emily Parish	3 <sup>rd</sup> cousin 2x removed
Peter Hennessy	54cM	Robert Daniel Crowe m Emily Parish	3 <sup>rd</sup> cousin 1x removed
Karen Travers-Jones	28cM	Emily Crowe m Travers Jones	3 <sup>rd</sup> cousin 1x removed

Other DNA shared matches such as Kevin Boyle, Gary Ferguson, Margaret Turner, Jacinta Robinson, Daniel Hamwi, Emily Ferguson, Shaun Ferguson, when examined show **links to Crowe related Cootamundra people**:

Chris Crowe Elle Crowe	Penny Howse Tania Baldock	Luke Tierney Cassandra Malone	Janelle Chamberlain George Baldock	Steve Crowe Joshua Smith
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### Robert Crowe (Brother of John Crowe) – a brief summary

Robert Crowe, an unmarried male immigrant, departed Belfast, per the ship 'Garrow' and arrived in Sydney Cove on 2 March 1839.

Because of an outbreak of typhus onboard the ship, it wasn't until a month later, on 4 April 1839 that the passengers were released from quarantine.

*Robert Crowe*

**UNMARRIED MALE IMMIGRANT.**

Arrived by the Ship *Garrow - Ship/Leone*  
Brought out by *John*  
A Native of *Belfast. Son of Thomas a*  
*Gardener & frame-planer, and Mary*  
*Hagan his wife there.*  
Calling *Gardener*  
Age - *20 1/2 - 28th Sept 1819*

Person certifying Registry of }  
Baptism }

Character, and Person certi- }  
fying the same }

State of bodily health, strength, } *Very good*  
and probable usefulness }

Religion *Protestant*  
Remarks *Reads & writes*

Sydney. *15/4/39*

Robert Crowe was from Belfast, the son of Thomas Crowe, a gardener and his wife Mary Hagan – *(same parents as John Crowe).*

Like his brother and father, Robert Crowe's calling was a gardener,

Robert Crowe was listed as:

- In very good health
- 20 years of age
- Protestant
- Reads and writes

*Robert Crowe, the older brother of John Crowe had migrated to the Colony of New South Wales some 5 years earlier than his brother John Crowe.*

Robert Crowe was engaged as a gardener by Mr Bettington of Oatlands (near Parramatta) for the sum of £35 per year plus rations.

It appears that **Robert Crowe** moved to Melbourne where on 18 April 1842 at St James's Anglican Church, he married **Mary Ann Best**, a native of Tullylish, County Down, Northern Ireland.



Robert Crowe's daughter **Anna Marjory Crowe** and husband Thomas Rossi

Robert Crowe died on 18 May 1912 aged c84 years at Porcupine Ridge, Victoria which was part of the Victorian Goldfields (50km from Ballarat).