



## Henry Burge and Family Emigrate to Australia

Mr. H. J. BURGE

Mr. Henry John Burge, who died at Lyndoch recently, was born at Hilcot, near Pewsey, in the County of Wiltshire, England, on August 5, 1845. At the age of 10 years he and his parents, with other members of the family, came out to Australia in the sailing ship 'Lovestyne.' The journey occupied nearly five months, and after landing at Port Adelaide, the family journeyed to Adelaide by coach. After staying the night with friends in Hindley street, another coach journey brought them to Gawler, where they spent the night at the "Old Spot Hotel." Next morning they walked to Sandy Creek, and renewed acquaintances with the Lawes family. The Burge family settled in Lyndoch, living first of all at Sandy Common. When Holy Trinity Church, Lyndoch, was built in 1860, Mr. Henry Burge assisted his father in carting some of the stone and other building materials, and was present when the church was opened in 1861. As a young man, Mr. Henry Burge worked for the late Mr. Joseph Barritt, assisted chiefly in the overlanding of cattle from Mr. Barritt's property on the River Darling. For a number of years Mr. Burge and his brother Meshech rented from Mr. Barritt the property now owned by Mr. H. Kennedy. For twelve years or so Mr. Burge lived in Adelaide and Alberton, being employed by the big contractors of those days, Messrs. Brown and Thompson, and English and Brown. He was one of the guarantors of the Angaston railway. In 1864 Mr. Burge married Miss Elizabeth Filsell at Trinity Church, Adelaide. There were two sons, William and, Charles, and one daughter, Linda, now Mrs. H. Slade. Mrs. Burge died about the year 1877, and was buried in the Cheltenham cemetery. About 14 years later Mr. Burge married Miss Sarah Jane Green, of Gawler. Mr. Burge was taken suddenly ill, was removed to the Hutchison Hospital, Gawler, and died in his sleep. The remains were interred in the Holy Trinity cemetery, Lyndoch.

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The 1851 census at Hilcott, North Newnton records:-

John Burge, 39, master tailor, born Corsely; Eliza Burge, 39, born Wilsford; Meshach Burge, 7, born Hilcott; , Henry Burge, 5, born Hilcott; Walter Clarke, 15, apprentice tailor.

The ship "Loevestein" left London on Sunday, October 22 1854 and arrived Port Adelaide on February 27 1855.

## **Shipping Intelligence**

Wednesday February 28 – the ship Loevesteyn, from London October 23, the Downs, Passengers: ... Messrs.. J., M., and H. Burge, ...in the steerage.

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