

George William Dixon De Blaquièrre 1810-1866

Décédé au Uloe Cottage, 1109 Octavia Street, S.Kilda Victoria Australie Came to Australia on "Earl of Derby" with his wife and two children. Left Liverpool 04.08.1852 and arrived in Melbourne Australia 19.11.1852. Source: Janice Roberts i14492 - Melbourne Australie
Notes from Vicki Smith

George Richard De Blaquièrre, formerly a Major then an Artist!, married Ann/Anna Davis on 14 Dec 1832 at St Mary's Church, Islington. Co Middlesex.

George, his wife Anne, and children Harriette and George, aged 16 and 14 respectively, sailed per 'Earl of Darby' to Melbourne arriving Aug 1851.

The family lived at Octavia St, off High St, St Kilda in Melbourne. George Richard had been born in Essex about 1811 and had lived in London. He died about 1866 aged 55 of dropsy and was buried in St Kilda cemetery by Rev W. Wells. Daughteiette was aged 20, born about 1835 possibly at Brompton, Kent, when she married Francis, Frank, Dummett aged 22., Frank was probably born at New Amsterdam, Berbice? the son of Francis, a merchant, and Eliza Dummett, nee Dunlop). Frank had a sister Eliza, referred to as Eliza Dummett - the elder!, Harriette and Frank were married 30 Nov 1854 at the residence of Rev Alexander Morrison, the witnesses being Almed Clarke and John H. Kilner. Harriette and Frank had four children - Frederick Edwin Jackson, Ernest George, Beatrice Ann and Francis Madeline. I do not have the dates of their births as yet.

A Harriet Dummett died in 1871 aged 36 years, (ref 9332). A George de Blaguirre died 4 May 1914 aged 77., born about 1837). He is buried at Coburg Cemetery in Melbourne.

A George William D de Blaquièrre died in 1866 aged 56. He had been born about 1810 in London the son of George and Louise de Blaquièrre, nee Smith)

An application was made to Chancery in London re the de Blaquièrre family. Most of the above information is in letters still in the possession of Brian Kenny in Melbourne. The application was not successful in the first instance. de Blaquièrre a very unusual name there are only a few on the Registers in Australia.

A George Richard and Anne de Blaquièrre, nee Fox, had the following children - Catherine Anne born and died 1875 at St Kilda Albert John born 1876 at St Kilda William Edward born 1878 at St Kilda Ernest Richard born 1881 at St Kilda Frederomas born 1882 at St Kilda Henry Charles born 1885 at Coburg and John Joseph born 1888 at Brunswick.

An Ann de Blaquiere died in 1872 aged 62, ref 7772, the daughter of Richard and Anne Davis -, the original George Richard de Blaquiere from Essex married Ann/Anna Davis on 14 Dec 1832 at St Mary's Church, Islington Co Middlesex! - a possibnection there between the Davis' maybe)

A relative John de Blaquiere lived in a townhouse at 9 Stratford Pl, Oxford, England. A mention was made of a Lord de Blaquiere.

A Harriet Dummett, a general servant from Somerset aged 31 arrived by assisted passage to Port Philip per 'Tudor' in May 1864, photocopy of shipping register, She was Church of England, could read and write. She was engaged by Mrs Bruce Ofst for 3 years on a wage of 25 pounds per annum. I do not know where she fits in - born about 1833., Don't know if there is any connection between these families but Dummett is also quite an unusual name.

Have found marriage of Francis Dummett and Eliza Bridgwater Dunlop on 9 Mar 1825 at St George Everton, Lancashire, England.

More notes from Vicki Smith George William Diyon de Blaquiere was born in 1810, possibly the 3rd son of Baron de Blaquiere., This is yet to be proven, There is a diary of a George de Blaquiere - Army Major - from 1800 to 1807. It states entered the Army in 1799 with a bought position as Cornet and then advanced to Major by 1807. He served at the Battle of Coruna in Spain as well as other battles throughout Northern Europe. It is hoped that details of wife Louisa Smith can be found in Army records. The Baron's first and second sons took the lineage but after these two died in WW1, the title went to a Canadian cousin from Peter Boyle the fourth son.

George W D had been born in London 6 Mar 1810 in London, the son of George and Louisa de Blaquiere, (nee Smith). Ann/Anna was the daughter of Richard and Anne Davis and was born about 1810c - possibly of Oxford., There are too many on IGI tify at this time)

George married Ann/Anna Davis on 14 Dec 1832 at St Mary's Church, Islington, Co Middlesex., No record can be found of this marriage on the IGI or Marriage Index for Middlesex)

George, designated as a Dealer aged 45, his wife Anne aged 36, and children Harriett aged 16 and George aged 10 sailed per 'Earl of Derby' to Melbourne arriving 17 Nov 1852. The 1000t ship had departed Liverpool under the command ofe journey taking about three months. There is a letter from the White Star Line dated 17 Jul 1852 informing the family to be prepared to go aboard the ship on the 28 Aug 1852. The family lived at Octavia St, off High St, St Kilda in Melbourne at the time of George's death in 1866. A de Blaquiere is buried in the Methodist section

of St Kilda Cemetery - grave number 061 - no christian name. A handwritten note with details of George's death - 'December 8th 1866. Wes B061. G De Blaquiere, 55 years, Octavia St, House Decorator, Rev W. Wells, St Kilda, Disease of Heart, Dropsy'

Anne died 13Aug1873 according to the same handwritten note - 'aged 62 years, Nelson St, Windsor, Disease of Heart, Rev J Cope' An application was made to Chancery in London re the de Blaquiere family. Most of the above information is ins still in the possession of Brian Kenny in Melbourne. The application was not successful in the first instance. A direct descendent Hilda de Blaquiere of 8 North St, Brunswick stated in a letter dated April 1986 - 'My great grandfather brought family papers with him confirming his identity, one thing also was the family seal used for sealing letters before envelopes were in use, the wax was melted on the folded paper, then pressed down with the seal, it had the family coat of arms on the impression in the wax, the seal was a green stone and my father used to wear it on his watchchain.' de Blaquiere being a very unusual name there are only a few on the Registers in Australia.

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Events:

1. Immigration; Aug 1851; Melbourne, Vic. George, his wife Anne and children Harriette, 16, and George, 14, arrived on the 'Earl of Darby'.

Marriage Information:

George married Ann DAVIS, daughter of Richard DAVIS and Anne, on 14 Dec 1832 in St. Mary's Church, Islington. Co Middlesex ENGLAND., Ann DAVIS was born in 1810 in Oxfordshire ENGLAND and died in 1872 in Vic.)