



Frederick GOLDNEY [1822-1898]

Married Ellen DINAN [1825-1889]
on 30 June 1844 at Holy Trinity Church, Adelaide

Departed 4 April 1840 from London
Arrived 7 July 1840 at Holdfast Bay on the

Fairlie

Children of Frederick & Ellen:

Frederick (1845-1910) m Emma WILLS
Ellen (1847-1926) m Arthur DIAMOND
Francis (1849-1895) m Catherine LAZAR
Annie (1852-1939) m Andrew TURNBULL
George (1855-1855)
Alfred (1856-1857)
Alfred (1858-1925)
Walter (1860-1861)
Alice (1862-1863)
Maud (1869-1959) m Julius GRUNIKE

A Most Experienced Pressman

Frederick Goldney came to South Australia with his parents and younger brother Henry on the Fairlie, which arrived on 7 July 1840. He later married Ellen Dinan, who was born an Irish Roman Catholic, but changed to Church of England after their marriage.

Frederick took up training in journalism and the printing trade, and remained in this industry for the remainder of his working life. Initially he was connected with the 'South Australian,' then moved to Strode's Printing Office and later to the staff of the 'Times and Despatch'. In 1858, at the beginning of 'The Advertiser,' his experience in large press publications saw him supervising much of the mechanical department and he was involved in the first edition. In his obituary he was acclaimed as one of the "most experienced pressmen in South Australia."

Frederick was a strict disciplinarian and very conservative in his opinions. Because of this he would become very vocal if provoked but generally was generous and affable with engaging manners. Following success at the Victorian goldfields, he became a considerable landowner, being the registered owner of six town acres as well as suburban and country properties. His holdings were such that two of his sons Frederick and Alfred became full time property managers for assets which included the 'The Star and Garter Hotel' in Sturt Street. The Goldneys held the hotel licence from 1849-1850 and 1852-1872. It's name was taken from an Inn in Richmond Surrey, England.

Ellen Goldney stood out as a lady, and her sister-in-law Miriam Hornsby remarked to one of her children that "Aunt Ellen looked a queen at the Colonists' Ball which all the families attended". Perhaps this was because she was descended from the kings of Ireland. Ellen died in 1889, aged 64 years. Frederick died in 1898, aged 76. Both were buried at the West Terrace Cemetery.

From information provided by Don Goldney
Frederick's great great nephew
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