

John CALVER (1839-?)

John was aged 18 from Suffolk, when migrating on the 'Trade Wind' to Tasmania in 1858. He was a groom and was sponsored by William Hamilton of Hobart Town. John was discharged from the Quarantine Station at Impression Bay on 11 April 1858 to William Hamilton.

John was likely to be the son of Edward (1796-1849) and Susan nee Warren (1802-1886). His father passed away in about 1849, sometime after John's youngest sister, Charlotte, was born in 1841 and before the 1851 England Census. In the 1851 England Census for Honington, Suffolk, Susan was a pauper widow, aged 42. John was aged 13, a cow boy, born Honington. In the 1861 Census for Honington, Susan was a charwoman, aged 53.

John was illiterate when he arrived in Tasmania. It is possible his name was spelt differently such as Calvert or Carver. A record of him staying in Tasmania under the name of John Calver could not be found.

A John Carver died on 1 May 1906 at 375 Macquarie Street, Hobart (1906/268).

No further information about John was able to be found.

If a reader has any information about John it would be appreciated if they contacted bettypilgrim@hotmail.com.