

Sophia CAREY (1835-1860)

Sophia was aged 22, single, literate, a needlewoman from Tipperary when she migrated to Tasmania on the 'Trade Wind' in 1858 with her parents John Knight Carey (1797-1872) and Martha nee Blackton (1807-1866) and siblings Louisa (1846-1911), John Knight Blackton (1837-1915), William (1838-1928), Henrietta (1841-1936), Thomas (1842-?), Letitia (1831-1856) and Elizabeth (1833-1864).



Westella

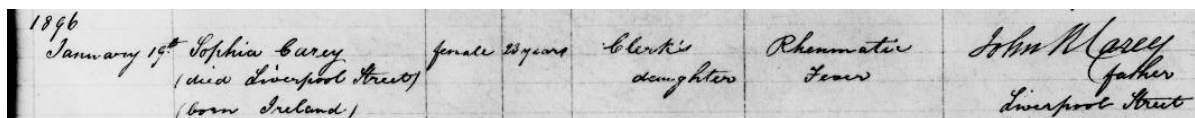
Sophia was sponsored by Henry Hopkins of Hobart Town. Hopkins arrived in Tasmania on 10 September 1822. He had been in the colony for 48 years before his death in 1870. Hopkins' Obituary remembered him as the Colony owing the rise of one of its chief exports, wool, to Hopkins. A street in Moonah was named after him. Hopkins' two main residences were:



Summerhome

'Westella', in Elizabeth Street, Hobart, built in 1835 on the instruction it was to be the grandest home in all of Hobart. He purchased a country residence, 'Summerhome', in Hopkins Street, Moonah in around 1840. This home was a former boarding school for boys. Current descendants of Henry still occupy 'Summerhome' and have kept furniture and other effects as Henry would have left it. The handpainted 1850s wallpaper from France still adorns the walls more than 150 years later.

Sophia died at her parents' residence, Liverpool Street, on 1 January 1860, aged 23. The death registration recorded she was a clerk's daughter, born Ireland and the cause of death was rheumatic fever. The informant of her death was her father.



Sophia was buried at Cornelian Bay with her parents and five others.