William CAREY (1838-1879)

William was aged 19, single, literate and a draper's apprentice from Tipperary, Ireland when migrating to Tasmania on the 'Trade Wind' in 1858. William, and possibly his brother, Thomas, were sponsored by Anthony Maume of Hobart.

Another Carey family was on the 'Trade Wind': John Knight (1707-1872), his wife Martha (1807-1866) and six children: Letitia (1831-1859), Elizabeth (1833-1864), Sophia (1835-1860), John Jun. (1837-1915), Henrietta (1841-1936) and Louisa (1846-1911). They all originated from Tipperary, Ireland as well. It is unlikely William and Thomas were children of John and Martha, although this cannot be ruled out. The reasons for the conclusion they are not of the John Knight Carey family are William and Thomas were not buried in the John Carey family plot at Cornelian Bay nor were they mentioned in the various death notices. They were also the only members of the Carey family sponsored by Anthony Maume. Birth or baptism registration was not able to be found in Irish records to confirm their relationship.

It is possible the William Boswell Carey who was born on 3 November 1837 at Newport, County Tipperary, Ireland and who died at Cooma, New South Wales on 12 April 1879, aged 39 is the same William Carey. William from Cooma was a storekeeper. He married Mary Ann Morton in Cooma in 1869.

Further records for William, apart from his arrival in Tasmania, were not found in Tasmania.

If a reader has any information about William Carey from the 'Trade Wind' it would be appreciated if they contacted bettypilgrim@hotmail.com.