

Caroline LING (1842-?)

Caroline was recorded as being aged 19 on the 'Trade Wind' when migrating to Tasmania in 1858 but she may have been 16. She was described as being single, and a housemaid. According to the England Census for 1851 Caroline was aged 9, born about 1842 in Garboldisham and a scholar.

Unlike the rest of the Ling family Caroline was sponsored by Richard Green of Hobart Town. At his death in 1878 Richard Green was remembered as one of the leading citizens of Launceston.

It is uncertain as to what happened to Caroline after her arrival in Tasmania as no movements could be found on public records. It is possible Caroline returned to England. In the 1871 England Census a Caroline Ling, unmarried, aged 29, born about 1842 in Norfolk, was a domestic servant in the home of David Hulett, who was a gas engineer and land-owner of Woodland (Holly Hill House) in Kent.

If anybody has any further information about Caroline who arrived in Tasmania on the 'Trade Wind' it would be appreciated if they contacted bettypilgrim@hotmail.com.