

James SMITH (1834-1865)

James was a collier from Worcestershire. He was aged 23, single and was able to read when migrating to Tasmania on the 'Trade Wind' in 1858. He was discharged from the Quarantine Station, Impression Bay, on his own account to New Town on 29 March 1858. James was sponsored by Daniel Graham (1821-1894) of Hobart Town. Daniel Graham was an accountant who arrived in Tasmania on 28 December 1839 per 'Charlotte'. He originated from Musselburgh, Scotland.

James may have been born in Netherton, Worcestershire. The 1851 England Census for Dudley, Staffordshire records William Smith, born 1812, Baptist End, Worcestershire, miner Ann, born 1812, born Baptist End, Worcestershire James, born about 1833, Netherton, Worcestershire, miner A brother William, aged 17, was also a miner. There were eight more siblings.

This family lived next door to a 'Round' family. Elijah Round (1835-1865) came from Dudley in Worcestershire and was a collier. He also migrated on the 'Trade Wind'.

A James Smith died as a result of an accident on 7 October 1865 in Hobart. He was a quarryman, aged 34 years. Further research for James Smith proved to be an impossible task with such a common name as 'James Smith'. No further details could be found for him. There was another James Smith who migrated on the 'Trade Wind'. He was born about 1839 in Norfolk, England, a labourer, and was sponsored by James Amos of Cranbrook.

If anybody has any knowledge of James Smith, born about 1834, Worcestershire, England, a collier, who migrated on the 'Trade Wind' in 1858 it would be appreciated if they contacted bettypilgrim@hotmail.com.