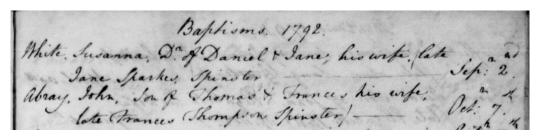
John Abra, Sen. aka Abray, Abry, Abree (1792-1864)

John Abra (Abray) was baptised on 7 October 1792 in East Wretham, Norfolk, England. John was a blacksmith journeyman prior to migrating to Tasmania, the son of Thomas (1749-1828) and Frances (Fanny) nee Thompson (1760-1852). John was aged 71 and unlike the majority of immigrants on the 'Trade Wind' he was unsponsored and paid his own fare.



John (Abree) married Mary, previously Clarke nee Hotson aka Hudson (1798-1857), a widow, on 4 March 1829 at Hockham, Norfolk. (See Mary Abra for further details.)

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Mary had previously been married to Benjamin Clark. Her daughter, Ann Cutting aka Quarry nee Clarke (1824-1911) was a passenger on the 'Trade Wind' (See Ann Quarry aka Cutting for further information). Another daughter, Jane Turner nee Hudson (1819-1902) also migrated on the 'Trade Wind'. (See Jane Turner for further information.)

Mary and John had two children, Frances (1830-?) and John, Jun (1832-1901). Frances emigrated three years before her parents (1830-1856?). She married Simon Henry Hazelwood on 26 February 1849 at Hockham, Norfolk. Simon and Frances Hazelwood and their two children arrived under the Indenture System, on 31 March 1855 into Launceston, per 'Whirlwind'. They were sponsored by Henry Dowling. John, Jun. (1832-1901) emigrated on the 'Trade Wind' with his parents (see John Abra, Jun.). He was sponsored by W Archer of Launceston.

The 1841 England Census for Hockham, Wayland, Norfolk, England records:

Anne Hutson, 80, (1761) born Norfolk [probably mother-in-law]
Thomas Abry, 45 (1796), born Norfolk, blacksmith
Mary Abry, 40 (1801), born Norfolk
Francis Abry, 75 (1766)
Frances Abry, 13 (1828) born Norfolk [daughter]
Anne Clerk (sic), 15 (1826), born Norfolk. [step-daughter]

A Thomas Abra was indicted and convicted at Norfolk QS on 12 January 1836 for sheep stealing and was transported for the period of his natural life. Thomas was pardoned on 9 June 1849. He was aged 53, born about 1796 in Norfolk. Thomas was possibly John's brother.

Three years after his arrival, John died, aged 74, on 12 August 1864, in Longford.

Mary did not survive the journey. She died at sea, aged 59, on 12 November 1857. (See Mary Abra for further details.)

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