

Isaac AYRES (1835-1913)

'Trade Wind' immigrant' aged 22, single, CE, literate, a carpenter from Norfolk. Isaac was sponsored by John Lucas Snr., of Hobart Town. He was discharged from the Quarantine Station, Impression Bay to Mrs Lucas from Brown's River (Kingston).



Isaac was the son of John Ayres (1790) and Mary nee Chapman (1794-1836). Isaac was born at Breckles, Norfolk and baptised on 4 January 1835. Breckles is close to Rockland All Saints and it is likely Isaac was related to George, James and Samuel who also migrated on the 'Trade Wind' and came from Rockland All Saints.

Isaac married Margaret Ranger (1838-1930) on 21 May 1863 at the Chalmers' Free Church, Hobart. Margaret was the daughter of Samuel (1801-1875) and Margaret nee O'Shea (1809-1888). Margaret O'Shea was a convict from Kerry, Ireland departing Dublin on 27 November 1840 per 'Mary Anne'. Samuel may have been a convict, a ploughman, departing Portsmouth on 7 May 1832 per 'Lord William Bentinck'. He was sentenced to transportation for life for stealing. Convict records show he was married prior to transportation. Samuel Ranger and Margaret O'Shea received permission to marry on 28 February 1844. The marriage registration for Isaac and Margaret records Samuel Ranger and Ellen Ranger as witnesses.

Number.	When married, and where.	Name and Surname.	Age.	Rank.	Signature and Description of Parties.	Name of Clergyman, Officiating Minister, or Deputy Registrar.	When registered.	Signature of Deputy Registrar or Officiating Minister.
253	May 21 st within Chalmers Free Church	Isaac Ayres Margaret Ranger	25 18	Carpenter Spinster	Isaac Ayres single Margaret Ranger single	William Nicolson	May 21	William Nicolson Officiating Minister

Married in the Chalmers' Free Church according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Free Presbyterian Church by 23rd VIC. NO. 11 by

This Marriage was solemnized between us
Isaac Ayres
Margaret Ranger

In the Presence of us
Samuel Ranger
Ellen Ranger

William Nicolson Minister.

In 1866 Isaac was a resident of Kingston, and in the 1890-91 PO Directory a farmer from Kingston.

Isaac and Margaret had approximately 12-13 children, three died in infancy and the surviving children remained in Tasmania.

The *Mercury* on Thursday 19 May 1864, p2 reported Isaac Ayers pleaded guilty to cruelly ill-treating a horse at Kingston on the 9th instance. According to the newspaper report, Isaac brought wood into Hobart from Brown's River on a horse and cart. The horse appeared to be crippled in one foot and in poor condition.

Death notice *Mercury*, Saturday 28 Jun 1913, p1. On 27 June 1913 at his residence Blackmans Bay, Isaac, husband of Margaret. In his 68th year. Funeral Sunday, St Clements, Kingston.

Isaac's Will No. 9174: Carpenter and farmer of Blackman's Bay. For Margaret Ayres, wife.

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