

Alfred BAKER (1839-1929)

'Trade Wind' migrant. Alfred was aged 18 [1839], single, Wesleyan, could not read nor write, a farm labourer from Norfolk. He was discharged from the Quarantine Station, Impression Bay on the night coach to Launceston on 23 March 1858.

Alfred was sponsored by William Archer of Launceston. It is unclear which William Archer this might be. William Archer (1788-1879) owned 'Brickendon' at Longford. Another William Archer (1836-1928) was born in Longford, Tasmania, but it is unlikely it is this William as he was residing in Middlesex, England at that time. Another William Archer (1820-1874), was a native of Tasmania, the second son of the Thomas Archer, Esq. of 'Woolmers'.



Alfred was the son of John (1814-) and Mary Anne (1815-) of Snetterton in Norfolk, England. Snetterton is known by several names including Snetretuna, Snistertuna and Snisterton. The village is listed in the Domesday Book under the name Scerpham. An Alfred Baker was baptised on 12 Jul 1840 at Waltham-Abbey, Essex, England. His parents were John and Mary Baker.

In the 1851 England Census for North Moore, Banham, Guiltcross, Norfolk:

John Baker, 37, ag lab, born Snetterton, Norfolk [1814]

Mary Anne Baker, 36, born Eccles, Norfolk [1815]

Alfred, son, 11, ag lab, born Snetterton [1840]

Emma, dau, 5, scholar, born Banham [1846]

Elizabeth, dau, 2, born Banham [1849].

Alfred married Sarah Ann Thompson (1850-1928) on 12 December 1867 at St Andrew's Church, Evandale, Tasmania.

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.
402.	12 December 1867.	Alfred Baker	24	Farmer.	Alfred Baker	Charles R. Arthur	12 December 1867.	Charles R. Arthur
485.	St Andrew's Ch. Evandale	Sarah Ann Thompson	18.	"	Sarah Ann Thompson	Charles R. Arthur	12 December 1867.	Charles R. Arthur

Married in the Parish of St Andrew's according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England by License by

This Marriage was solemnized between us } Alfred Baker } In the Presence of } Edmund A. Clark } Minister.

by } Sarah Ann Thompson }

Alfred and Sarah had at least fourteen children. Two died in infancy, another lived to 101. All of the surviving children remained in Tasmania.

In the 1921-22 Post Office Directory Alfred Baker worked as a gardener at Exton.



Death notice *Examiner* Thursday 25 April 1929. Died at residence of J Baker, [eldest son, Alfred John (1868-1950), aka Jack] Ulverstone. Late of Exton. Husband of late Sarah. Buried at Deloraine CE Cemetery on Friday 26 April 1929. Sarah died the previous year, on 22 December 1928, at Exton, aged 78.

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