

Mary Ann UPCROFT nee CANN (1808-1872)

Mary Ann was aged 42, illiterate, a straw bonnet maker from Norfolk when migrating to Tasmania on the 'Trade Wind' in 1858. She was sponsored by her daughter, Mary Ann Langston (1831-1902) nee Brown(e).

Mary Ann Upcroft was the daughter of John Cann (1772-1853) and Amelia Mildred nee Bales (1771-1853). Mary Ann firstly married Bradford Brown(e) on 21 October 1821 at Little Ellingham, Norfolk. They had two daughters: Harriet (1832-1920) and Mary Ann (1831-1902).

<i>Bradford Brown</i>	of <i>the</i> Parish
<i>of Little Ellingham in the County of Norfolk Bachelor</i>	
and <i>Mary Cann</i>	of <i>the</i> Parish
<i>Spinster</i>	
were married in this <i>Church</i> by <i>Licence</i> with Consent of	
this <i>Twenty First</i> Day of	
<i>October</i> in the Year One thousand eight hundred and <i>Twenty One</i>	
By me <i>Samuel Cobden Rector</i>	
This Marriage was solemnized between us { <i>Bradford Brown</i> <i>Mary Cann nee Cann</i>	
In the Presence of { <i>Richd J. Tinker</i> <i>John Brown</i>	
No. 14.	

Mary Ann remarried James Upcroft at Attleborough, Norfolk on 13 March 1854. It is not known what happened to either husband but when Mary Ann married James Upcroft it was recorded she was a widow. The marriage registration to James Upcroft also recorded her father's name as John Norman and not John Cann. Mary stated she was single on the 'Trade Wind' records.

1854. Marriage solemnized at the Church in the Parish of <i>Attleborough</i> in the County of <i>Norfolk</i>								
No.	When Married.	Name and Surname.	Age.	Condition.	Rank or Profession.	Residence at the Time of Marriage.	Father's Name and Surname.	Rank or Profession of Father.
226	<i>March</i> <i>13th</i>	<i>James Upcroft</i>	<i>Full age</i>	<i>Widower</i>	<i>Labourer</i>	<i>Attleborough</i>	<i>George Upston</i>	<i>Labourer</i>
		<i>Mary Ann Brown</i>	<i>Full age</i>	<i>Widow</i>		<i>Attleborough</i>	<i>John Norman</i>	<i>Labourer</i>
Married in the <i>Parish Church</i> according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the <i>Anglican Church</i> after banns by me, <i>Alfred J. Tinker</i>								
This Marriage was solemnized between us,		{ <i>The mark X of James Upcroft</i> <i>The mark X of Mary Ann Brown</i>			in the Presence of us, { <i>Benjamin Cluen</i> <i>Mary Anne Halls</i>			

Mary Ann's daughter, Harriet Brown(e) (1832-1920), migrated on the 'Trade Wind'. She was aged 26, single, literate, a dressmaker from Norfolk. She was sponsored too by her sister Mary Ann Langston. [See entry for Harriet Browne for further information.]

Sponsor, Mary Ann Brown(e) married William Arthur Langston (1819-1910) at St George's Church, Hobart, on 7 February 1853. William was a farmer, aged 33 and Mary Ann Brown was aged 22, a spinster.

Mary Ann Upcroft and her two daughters, along with their families, moved from Tasmania to Victoria. Mary died in Melbourne on 7 December 1872 and was buried at Melbourne General Cemetery, Carlton. She was aged about 64.