

**Butler, Charles (1820-1909)**

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                     William Docking (Norfolk, sawyer)  
                     Walter Kemp (Suffolk, ploughman)



Charles Butler (1820-1909) resided in Hampden Road, Battery Point. He was regarded as the father of the Tasmanian Bar, and head of the old-established firm of Butler, McIntyre and Butler. Mr Butler arrived in Hobart on 13 December 1835. He then attended school at Longford and afterwards was articled to Mr Robert Pitcairn, the leading solicitor in Hobart at the time. After spending five years in Pitcairn's office, Butler passed his examination as a legal practitioner, and was admitted to the Bar on 4 December 1843. Butler started practice on his own account, but subsequently gave up practice, and followed agricultural pursuits. He later became a partner in his father's legal business. (Obituary, *The Mercury*, Friday 9 July 1909, p7)

Death notice *Daily Post*, Sat 10 Jul 1909, p1. Butler – At Ellerslie, Hampden road, on July 8, Charles Butler, solicitor, Hobart, aged 89 years.

Picture copied from *ancestry.com* (antheawebb). This site also records his birth as February 1824, Richmond, Surrey, England. Baptism records at St Mary Magdalene, Richmond, Surrey on 15 February 1824 records his birth date as 1 July 1820.

Charles Butler, Solicitor, Hobart Town applied for Bounty Tickets on 29 April and 7 June 1854.