

**Gibson, William (1820-1892)**

Sponsored: George Ayres (Breckles, Norfolk)  
James Ayres (Breckles, Norfolk)  
Samuel Ayres (Breckles, Norfolk)  
Charlotte Docking (King's Lynn, Norfolk; housemaid)  
Mary Ann Docking Snr nee Barton (Norfolk, housemaid)



William Gibson (1820-1892) was the son of David Gibson (1778-1858) who arrived as a convict in 1804. He was granted land near Perth and Evandale and in 1811 he and his wife were entertaining the governor. David's seven sons, including William, were successful farm managers and breeders of prize-winning sheep. William acquired a large tract of land on both sides of the South Esk River where he built an English-style house at Native Point near Perth. He was widely known throughout the Australian colonies as a very successful breeder of Merino sheep. He also possessed the best herd of Durham cattle in the colony at the time. In conjunction with his son, he owned the following properties: Native Point, Scone, Creekton, Woodhall, Eskdale and Dairy Plains.

William was born on 21 January 1820 in Evandale, Tasmania and died on 27 June 1892, Perth, Tasmania, aged 72 years.

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William Gibson, Miller, Hobart Town applied for Immigrant Bounty Tickets on 17 April 1854.

William Gibson, landowner, Perth applied for Immigrant Bounty Tickets on 27 June 1856.