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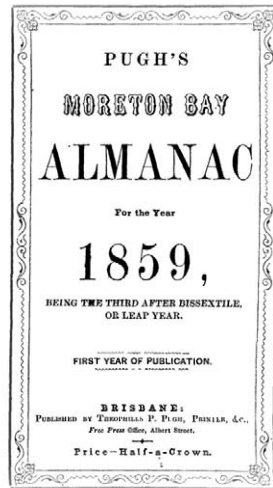
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- Baptist Church, Wharf-street, (will be opened early this year).  
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- Congregational Church, School of Arts.—Rev. George Wight.
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### I P S W I C H.

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### B R I S B A N E.

- St. John's (Church of England).—Male and Female.—Mr. and Mrs. Beach.
- Roman Catholic.—Male and Female.—Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien.

[There are also other branch schools in connection with these churches in the Suburbs. The Episcopal Church has schools in Fortitude Valley and South Brisbane; and the Roman Catholic Church also has a scholastic establishment in the first-mentioned place.]

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### N A T I O N A L S C H O O L.

DRAYTON.—Conducted by Mr. J. Rendall

## A BRIEF OUTLINE, &c.

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DIFFICULT indeed will be the task of the historian who may hereafter attempt to chronicle the events connected with the early days of this now important settlement. Generally speaking, a talent for "condensation" is requisite in the compilation of a history; but in the case of this, the Ultima Thule of the Australias, a talent for "expansion" would be absolutely necessary, if the author's ambition prompted him to send forth a volume of respectable size. The information derivable from published works is very scant; and much of that which might be culled from hoarded piles of official documents were far better left in its comparative oblivion. The object of this paper is to collate, in a concise form, a few particulars relative to the early settlement of the district in which we live,—particulars which, although they will be anything but new to many of our readers, may yet convey desired information to the majority.

It is in the narrative of the illustrious Cook's first voyage round the world, that we find the earliest mention of this locality, and it is therefore very probable that the first anchor dropped in Moreton Bay fell from the bows of the *Endeavour*, on or about the 15th of May, 1770. The intrepid explorer entered by the north channel, and we may reasonably suppose that he looked with delight and admiration upon the broad expanse of water which lay between his gallant little vessel and the distant main. To this vast inlet he gave the name of "MORETON'S BAY," in honor of the Earl of Moreton, then President of the Royal Society, who had strongly urged upon the Government

# POSTAL INFORMATION.

ALTHOUGH the publication of this Almanac has been delayed up to the present date (Dec 22nd) we have not yet been able to procure any satisfactory information as to the mail arrangements for 1859, although an earnest appeal has been made to the Postmaster-General himself. We can, therefore only summarise the regulations, and give the probable alterations in the service as far as we have been able correctly to obtain them.

## REGULATIONS.

All letters ought to be prepaid by stamps. The postage on letters for the colony of N. S. Wales is 2d on letters under  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz, 4d between  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz and 1 oz, and 4d more for every oz, or fraction of an oz. Letters for the other Australasian colonies are charged 6d for every  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz, or fraction of  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz.

Letters for Great Britain are charged as follows:—6d under the  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz, 1s between the  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz and 1 oz, and 1s additional for every oz or fraction of 1 oz. Letters sent *via* Marseilles are charged extra at the rate of 3d for every  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. *Via* Trieste letters not exceeding  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz 1s, exceeding  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz and not above 1 oz 2s, exceeding 1 oz and not above 2 oz 4s, and 2s additional for every extra oz or fraction of ditto. Newspapers 2d each.

Registered letters must have on them a distinctive registration stamp, which may only be used for this purpose. The stamp costs 6d.

Local newspapers may be sent free to any part of N. S. Wales, Tasmania, New Zealand, or South Australia, if posted within 7 days of publication, but a 1d stamp must be affixed for transmission to Victoria, which rate is also charged on newspapers intended for Great Britain.

Book packets must not exceed two feet in length, or weigh more than 3 lbs and must be sent open at the ends or sides. The denomination of "book packets" includes books, publications, printed forms, M.S. intended for publication, maps, almanacs, prints, and works of literature and art. The postage must be prepaid, and the rates are as follow:—British book packets—under  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb, 8d; between  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb and 1 lb, 1s 4d, and 8d for every additional  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb or portion of  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb. Inter-colonial ditto:—under  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb, 6d, between  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb and 1 lb, 1s, and 6d for every additional  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb or portion of  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb. Inland ditto:—not exceeding 4 oz, 2d, and 1d extra for every additional 2 oz or fraction of 2 oz—Bankers' parcels, or parcels containing notes, orders, specie, patterns and samples of merchandise, goods, conveyances, affidavits, or letters of attorney,—are now charged at ordinary letter rates.

## POST-OFFICES, & C.

The following is a list of the offices established, or to be established, in the northern districts, and which are officially connected with the Brisbane post-office

Brisbane	Warwick	Condamine	Gladstone
Ipswich	Burnett Inn	Taroom	Casino
Drayton	Maryborough	Surat	Gayndah
Toowoomba	Dalby	Callandoon	Rockhampton

Brisbane and Ipswich are the only towns in the northern districts in which letters are delivered by carrier. During the past year, an arrangement came into effect by which the Moreton Bay mails are made up in London and sent out direct, so as to avoid detention in Sydney.

## ALTERATIONS.

THE ALTERATIONS yet known are as follow:—Lines from North Brisbane to Burnett Inn, from Drayton to Gayndah, and from Burnett Inn to Taroom, will be discontinued. Lines from Ipswich to Burnett Inn, and from Condamine to Taroom, to be resumed. New routes are to be established from Dalby to Gayndah (*via* Burnett Inn), and from Gayndah to Taroom. It was proposed to have a line from Gladstone to Rockhampton, but we do not apprehend the idea will be carried out. The Brisbane and Casino contract was not taken up to this date.

[WHEN the new arrangements are promulgated, a gratuitous SUPPLEMENT will be issued to all purchasers of Pugh's Almanacs got up in a style to suit desks and shelves.]

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- use the "Match case" option when you want to eliminate all the occupations "smith" if you only want the name "Smith"
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  - look for others of the same name
  - look for others who lived in the same place or street
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  - how often and at what time did the coach arrive in town?
  - what churches were there and what time were services held?
  - what other activities were there in the community?
  - look for others who had the same occupation or other interests
- All of this and more may be available in a seemingly mundane book such as a directory. You could learn or write much of the background of life at the time, even if your ancestor is not listed there.

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