

## Convicts – Canberra and District [R-Z]

*Please note that this list is INCOMPLETE.*

**The Canberra District includes:** the area in between Gundaroo (north), Bungendore/Lake George/Lake Bathurst (east), south to the Monaro (for reasons spelt out below), Queanbeyan, and west to the Brindabella Ranges. It may include some regions beyond these boundaries, due to landholders occupying land in those regions. It does not include Goulburn or Braidwood, where these towns are specifically identified.

**The list includes:** known assignees to the Canberra district that gained a Ticket-of-leave, Free Report, Passport, a Pardon, in Queanbeyan NSW, or were Free by Servitude within the area. The 1828 Census designates some people as FREE, but since they arrived on a convict ship, they have been included until research proves otherwise. A 'F' or 'CF' has been placed next to their name since their sentence may have expired by the time they were employed in the district. Basically, if they were in the district at any point in time, then they are included here, until proved otherwise, in which case they will be removed!

Various names were used for Canberra and the surrounding district in the 1828 Census. The name 'Goulburn Plains' can include Burra, Bywong, Canbury (Canberra), Gundaroo, Limestone Plains (Canberra), Gingira (Jingera), Gunning, Michalago (Michelago), Molonglo, Murrumbateman, Murrumbidgee, Tarago, Yass and Yass Plains. 'Maneroo' (Monaro/Monaroo) can also mean those places including and south of the Limestone Plains (Canberra).

The benefit of doubt has been taken with convicts who resided on the 'Goulburn Plains', 'Yass' or 'Maneroo'. Many were employed by known local district landholders who may have deployed their labourers on other acreages they held in the region as watchmen/shepherds/hutkeepers attending stock.

Robert Campbell of Duntroon was often described in the 1828 Census as 'R. (or Robt.) Campbell, Limestone Plains, Goulburn Plains'. John Palmer of Ginninderra was likewise. In these cases only 'LP' has been used.

All ships have been checked with, and names corrected, using Bateson and/or other available shipping records as noted in the '*Key – Sources*', including the *Sydney Gazette*.

The Key to a numbered superscript reference source is located under '*Key – Sources*'. All sources are referenced wherever possible.

## Key – Abbreviations:

BC	Born in the Colony
CF	Came Free
CM	Convicts applications to marry 1826-1851
CP	Conditional Pardon
CSI	mentioned Colonial Secretary's Online Index 1788-1825 (NSW State Records): <a href="http://www.records.nsw.gov.au/state-archives/indexes-online/">http://www.records.nsw.gov.au/state-archives/indexes-online/</a>
F	Free
FR	Free Report
FS	Free by servitude
GP	Goulburn Plains
LP	Limestone Plains
NSWSR	New South Wales State Records
Qbn	Queanbeyan NSW
PP	Paterson's Plains
PS	Passport
TL	Ticket of Leave
TL Qbn	Person holding Ticket of Leave for the District of Queanbeyan - from attendance at musters covering the period 1848-1852

## Key – Sources:

- <sup>1</sup> Ancestry: [www.ancestry.com.au](http://www.ancestry.com.au) comprising: NSW & Tasmania Convict Musters 1806-1849; NSW & Tasmania, Settler & Convict Lists 1787-1834; Australian Convict Index 1788-1868; Australian Convict Transportation Registers-Other Fleets & Ships, 1791-1868 – and other online convict records on Ancestry, accessed via their Search facility.
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- <sup>10</sup> Sainty, Malcolm & Johnson, Keith. *Census of New South Wales: November 1828 [CD]*, The Authors, 2001.
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- <sup>16</sup> *The Proceedings of the Old Bailey 1674-1913*, online: [www.oldbaileyonline.org/](http://www.oldbaileyonline.org/)
- <sup>17</sup> Mayberry, Peter. *Irish Convicts to NSW 1788-1837*: <http://members.pcug.org.au/~ppmay/convicts.htm>
- <sup>18</sup> Salisbury, Jean. *Canberra, St. John's Churchyard 1844-1998*, The Heraldry & Genealogy Society of Canberra Inc., Canberra, 2000.
- <sup>19</sup> Robinson, Fredk. *Canberra's First Hundred Years*, Sydney 1924.
- <sup>20</sup> *NSW Registry of Births, Deaths & Marriages*: <http://www.bdm.nsw.gov.au/familyHistory/searchHistoricalRecords.htm>
- <sup>21</sup> Familysearch.org: <http://www.familysearch.org/eng/default.asp>

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Name &/or alias of Convict	Ship & no. of voyage	Year of Arrival	DOB	Native Place	Place of Trial / Crime	Date of Trial	Term	Age	Assigned to	Date of TL: FR; PS; FS; CP	Died	Trade/Calling	Remarks
RAINES, William <sup>7</sup>	Mangles (7)	1837							TA Murray; Mr Maynard <sup>7</sup>			Labourer	
RATTRAY, James <sup>7</sup>	Asia (10)	1833							Mr Cunningham		Dead before 1843 <sup>7</sup>		
REICH, Joseph <sup>10</sup>	Elizabeth I (3)	1820					Life	42 <sup>10</sup>	GT Palmer, LP			Labourer	
RENSHAW, Henry <sup>7</sup>	Aurora	1833							TA Murray			Shepherd Bullock driver	
RENSHAW, John <sup>7</sup>	Parmelia	1832							J Wright				
RICHARDS, Thomas <sup>7</sup>	Emma Eugenia (1)	1838							Ed Parker, Queanbeyan <sup>7</sup>			Labourer	
RICHARDSON, George <sup>7</sup>	Emma Eugenia (1)	1838							Macquoid, Waniassa, 14 April 1843[?] <sup>7</sup>			Labourer	
ROBERTSON, John <sup>7</sup>	Lady Nugent (1)	1835							Robert Campbell				
ROURKE, Thomas <sup>10</sup>	Prince Regent I (1) ?	1820 ?						25 <sup>10</sup>	JJ Moore, Maneroo, GP	TL <sup>10</sup>		Herdsmen	
ROYAL, William <sup>7</sup>	Lady Nugent (1)	1835							J Wright			Farm servant	
RUSTEN (RUSTON), William <sup>10,7</sup>	Elizabeth I (3)	1820					Life		Raffles Bay <sup>10</sup> ; J Wright <sup>7</sup>				
RYAN, Mary <sup>7</sup>	Margaret	1839							Cooper, Queanbeyan; Married [John Cooper]				

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RYAN, William <sup>8</sup>	Sir Godfrey Webster	1826			Tipperary				JJ Moore, Canberry, LP				
SALISBURY, Thomas <sup>7</sup>	Lord Melville II (2)	1830							Robert Campbell, Micaligo			Labourer	
SALTER, John <sup>7</sup>	Captain Cook (2)	1833							Mr Mowatt			Labourer	
SANGSTER, William <sup>7</sup>	Strathfieldsay (2)	1836			Aberdeen	27 Apr 1835	7 yrs <sup>1</sup>		J Wright				
SARJEANT, Samuel <sup>7</sup>	Surrey I (6)	1831							JJ Moore; Charles Campbell; Mr Schofield, Queanbeyan			Labourer	
SCOTT, John <sup>7</sup>	Earl Grey (1)	1836							TA Murray, altered to Yass				
SCROGGINS, Charles (see SCULTHORPE)													
SCULTHORPE (SCULTOPE / SCROGGINS), Charles <sup>10</sup>	Dick	1821					14 yrs <sup>10</sup>	49 <sup>10</sup>	Robert Johnston, Limestone Plains <sup>10</sup>	TL <sup>10</sup>		Overseer <sup>10</sup>	
SEXTON, Daniel <sup>7</sup>	Elphinstone	1838							TA Murray			Labourer	
SHARPE, James (alias CHATMAN)	Lady Kennaway (2)	1836 Oct 12			Lancaster Qtr Sessions <sup>1</sup>	1835 Oct 19 <sup>1</sup>	14 yrs <sup>1</sup>		Rev. E. Smith, Queanbeyan <sup>7</sup>	TL 1844, Qbn <sup>7</sup>			
SHAW, Thomas <sup>7</sup>	Indefatigable (2)	1815							Queanbeyan, self			Shoemaker	CM, James Sharpe, alias Chatman, aged 28, TL, to Ann Blackshaw, per Brittain, age 19, CF, permission granted 14 Mar 1845, C. Eipper, Braidwood <sup>1</sup>

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SHERIDAN, Thomas <sup>7</sup>	Royal Admiral	1835				Deld. 31.5.1843 <sup>7</sup>			TA Murray			Labourer; Milkman	
SILKMAN, Elijah <sup>7</sup>	Bengal Merchant	1838							TA Murray				
SIMPSON, Thomas <sup>10</sup>	Canada (3)	1815 Aug 05											
SIMS (SIMMS), George <sup>7</sup>	Aurora I (1)	1833			Wiltshire	2 Mar 1833	Life		J Wright; Jeremiah Flinn, Bobyan			Shepherd	
SLATER, Richard <sup>7</sup>	Lord Lyndoch (2)	1833							NS Powell			Bullock driver	
SMART, Thomas <sup>7</sup>	Strathfieldsay (2)	1836							Hunt & Kaye	Killed <sup>7</sup>		Hostler	
SMITH, Elias <sup>7</sup>	Susan (2)	1836							J Wright				
SMITH, James <sup>7</sup>	Lady Nugent I	1835							Robert Campbell; John Smith, Jerrabomberra <sup>7</sup>			Shepherd	
SMITH, John <sup>7</sup>	John Barry (4)	1836							Klensendorffe 15 Jun 1842; William Guise 4 Nov 1843 <sup>7</sup>			Labourer	
SMITH, McDonald <sup>10</sup>	Isabella I (1)	1818					Life	29 <sup>10</sup>	JJ Moore, Maneroo, GP	TL <sup>10</sup>		Bullock driver	
SMITH, Matthew <sup>10</sup>	Fortune	1813					Life	38 <sup>10</sup>	Robert Johnston, Limestone Plains <sup>10</sup>	TL <sup>10</sup>			
SMITH, Robert <sup>10</sup>	Champion	1827					7 yrs	22 <sup>10</sup>	Robt Campbell, GP			Blacksmith	
SMITH, Patrick <sup>10</sup>	Hooghley (1)	1825 Apr 22					7 yrs <sup>10</sup>		James Rose, Tarago GP <sup>10</sup>			Shepherd <sup>10</sup>	
SMITH, Thomas <sup>10</sup>	Asia						Life	30 <sup>10</sup>	Cooper & Co, Burra, GP			Hutkeeper	

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SMITH, Thomas <sup>7</sup>	Mary Anne II	1835							Robert Campbell				
SMITH, William <sup>7</sup>	Forth (3)	1835							TA Murray			Farm work	
SMITH, William <sup>7</sup>	Lady Kennaway	1836							NS Powell; William Hilliard, Queanbeyan			Shepherd	
<sup>8</sup> SPEARS, Thomas	Morley	1828							GT Palmer, LP				
<sup>7</sup> STAFFORD, John	Lady Macnaghten	1835							1843-none, late Klensendorff			Ship's watchman	
<sup>10</sup> STAPLER, James	Marquis of Hastings	1827					7 yrs	33 <sup>10</sup>	JJ Moore, Canbury, GP			Herdsmen	
<sup>7</sup> STAPLES, Henry	John Barry	1839							TA Murray			Labourer	
<sup>7</sup> STEPHENS (STEVENS), John	Eliza III (1)	1828							JJ Moore			Labourer	
<sup>10 7</sup> STROUD, James	Hebe	1821					Life	26 <sup>10</sup>	Robert Johnston, Limestone Plains <sup>10</sup> ; Caleb Flood (Flude); Charles Campbell 1 Aug 1843 <sup>7</sup>			Labourer <sup>10</sup>	
SULLIVAN, Dennis <sup>7</sup>	Heber	1836							TA Murray				
SUMNER, Thomas <sup>7</sup>	Marquis of Huntley	1835							Robt. Campbell				
SWAN, William <sup>7</sup>	Mermaid	1830							Charles Campbell; TA Murray; Mr Packer 7 Jan 1843			Labourer	

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TAILOR, Samuel <sup>10</sup>	Coromandel	1820 Apr 04					7 yrs <sup>10</sup>	22 <sup>10</sup>	Klensendorffe & Cooper, Murrumbateman GP <sup>10</sup>			Herdsmen <sup>10</sup>	
TAYLOR, Henry <sup>7</sup>	Mary of London	1833							TA Murray				
TAYLOR, Thomas <sup>10</sup>	Prince Regent 1 (1)	1820					7 yrs	58 <sup>10</sup>	John Palmer, LP			Shepherd	
TAYLOR, Timothy <sup>10</sup>	Mangles (3 or 4)	1824 or 1826					Life <sup>10</sup>	25 <sup>10</sup>	Robert Johnston, Limestone Plains <sup>10</sup>			Labourer <sup>10</sup>	
TEGAN (FAGAN), Patrick <sup>7</sup>	Forth	1835						24 <sup>6</sup>	W Wright, Yass				
TERRY, John <sup>10</sup>							14 yrs <sup>10</sup>	23 <sup>10</sup>	Samuel Terry, Murrumbateman GP <sup>10</sup>			Herdsmen <sup>10</sup>	
THOMAS, Edward <sup>7</sup>	Lady Nugent I	1835							J Wright				
THOMAS, William <sup>10</sup>	Baring (2)	1819 Jun 26					7 yrs <sup>10</sup>	41 <sup>10</sup>	Klensendorffe & Cooper, Murrumbateman, GP <sup>10</sup>			Herdsmen <sup>10</sup>	
THOMPSON, George <sup>7</sup>	Bengal Merchant	1836							Capt. Edmund Harrison Cliffe, Craven; TA Murray			Shepherd	
THOMPSON, John <sup>7</sup>	Strathfieldsay	1836							TA Murray				
THOMPSON, William <sup>7</sup>	Emma Eugenia (1)	1838							Hunt & Kaye			Dairyman	
THURMAN, Thomas <sup>7</sup>	Mermaid (2)	1830							Hunt & Kaye			Labourer	

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TIERNEY, Joseph <sup>7</sup>	Regalia	1826							Molonglo River [does not state where along this river]				
TOMLINSON, Benjamin <sup>7</sup>	Marquis of Huntley	1835							TA Murray				
TOWNSEND, William <sup>7</sup>	Recovery	1836							TA Murray				
TUCKER, James <sup>10</sup>	Hindostan (1)	1821					Life	23 <sup>10</sup>	James Murdoch, GP			Herdsman	
TUNNY, Joseph <sup>7</sup>	Regalia	1826											
TURNER, Charles <sup>7</sup>	Emma Eugenia (1)	1838							Joseph Cooper	PS 1843		Labourer	
TURNER, James <sup>7</sup>	Nithsdale	1830											
TURNER, Thomas <sup>10</sup>	Somersetshire (1)	1814					Life	42 <sup>10</sup>	Robt Campbell, LP			Shepherd	
VALLIS, Joseph <sup>7</sup>	Henry Porcher (2)	1835							James Wright; Hunt & Kaye <sup>7</sup>			Errand boy; Cook	
VARDY (VARLY), William <sup>10</sup>	Marquis of Hastings (2)	1827					Life	42 <sup>10</sup>	Robert Campbell, LP; Mr Luke's Ld. [sic] <sup>7</sup>			Labourer <sup>10</sup> ; Dairyman <sup>7</sup> ; Splitter <sup>7</sup>	
VIAL, William <sup>7</sup>	Lady Feversham	1830			Suffolk Assizes	6 Aug 1829	Life <sup>1</sup>		David Johnston, George's River <sup>1</sup> ; Robert Johnston, Limestone Plains <sup>7</sup>			Shepherd	
VINCENT, James <sup>7</sup>	Hooghly (4)	1834							TH Macquoid			Sheep overseer	
VINES, William <sup>7</sup>	Planter (1)	1832							Robert Campbell; Luke Colverwell			Labourer	

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WALKER, John <sup>8</sup>	Countess of Harcourt (4)	1827							GT Palmer				
WALKER, Thomas <sup>10</sup>	Countess of Harcourt (4)	1827					7 yrs	23 <sup>10</sup>	GT Palmer, GP			Labourer	
WALKER, Thomas <sup>7</sup>	Lord Melville II (1)	1829							Robert Campbell				
WALL, William <sup>7</sup>	Lord Melville II (2)	1830											
WALLIS, Nicholas <sup>7</sup>	Isabella (4)	1832							Mr Kaye; Bradley			Shepherd	
WALSH, Maurice <sup>7</sup>	Hive (2)	1835/36							J Wright, Lanyon				
WARD, John <sup>7</sup>	Susan (2)	1836			Gloucester	3 Mar 1835 <sup>1</sup>			J Wright				
WARING, William <sup>7</sup>	Surrey I (6)	1831							William Billingsley; Luke Colverwell, Molonglo			Labourer	
WATERHOUSE James <sup>10</sup>	Princess Royal (1)	1823					7 yrs	28 <sup>10</sup>	JJ Moore, Maneroo, GP			Labourer	
WATERS, William <sup>7</sup>	Mangles	1826/28							JJ Moore			Labourer	
WATERSON, William <sup>10</sup>	Manlius (1)	1827					Life	19 <sup>10</sup>	JJ Moore, Maneroo, GP				
WATSON, James <sup>7</sup>	Fairlie (1)	1834							Rutledge			Labourer	
WATTS, John <sup>10</sup>	Elizabeth I (3)	1820						22 <sup>10</sup>	Robert Johnston, Limestone Plains <sup>10</sup>	F <sup>10</sup>		Labourer <sup>10</sup>	
WELSH, James <sup>7</sup>	James Pattison								NS Powell; Mr Zouch			Labourer	

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WESTERMAN, Thomas <sup>7</sup>	Susan (2)	1836			West Riding, Yorkshire	15 Oct 1834	7 yrs <sup>1</sup>		TH Macquoid; James Wright			Bullock driver	
WESTHORPE, Robert <sup>7</sup>	Dunvegan Castle	1830							Maneroo, John Hunt			Shepherd	
WHELAN, Patrick <sup>10</sup>	Chapman (1)	1817					14 yrs	60 <sup>10</sup>	JJ Moore, Maneroo, GP			Dairyman	
WHINFIELD, John <sup>7</sup>	Lady Nugent (1)	1835							James Wright			Labourer	
WHITBY, John <sup>10</sup>	Ocean II (2)	1823					Life	26 <sup>10</sup>	Robt Campbell, LP			Labourer	
WHITE, Robert <sup>7</sup>	Emma Eugenia (1)	1838							Capt. Faunce; John Hunt, Queanbeyan			House servant	
WHITE, William <sup>7</sup>	Mermaid	1830							Molonglo				
WILFORD, Stephen <sup>7</sup>	Lord Lyndock (2)	1833											
WILKIE, John <sup>10 7</sup>	Marquis of Hastings (3)	1828			Middlesex Gaol & Delivery	21 Feb 1828	7 yrs <sup>1</sup>	18 <sup>10</sup>	E Byar, Church Hill, Sydney <sup>10</sup> ; J Wright <sup>7</sup>			Servant	
WILKINSON (WILKENSON), John <sup>10 7</sup>	John I (1)	1827							Road party - 29 <sup>10</sup> ; JJ Moore; Queanbeyan 1843 <sup>7</sup>			Blacksmith	
WILSON, Alexander <sup>7</sup>	Lady Nugent (2)	1836							TA Murray				
WIMPRESS, (WIMPUSS, WEMPUSS), John <sup>10 7</sup>	Florentia	1828							R. Campbell, LP <sup>10</sup> ; Mr Hall, Charnwood <sup>7</sup>			Shoemaker	
WINTER, James <sup>7</sup>	Lonack	1825							Mr Hosking, Molonglo			Shepherd	

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WRIGHT, Robert <sup>8</sup>	Roslyn Castle	1834							H Hall, Charnwood				
WRIGHT, William H. <sup>7</sup>									TH Macquoid; Cockburne			Bullock driver	
WORDSWORTH, Robert <sup>7</sup>	Westmoreland (1)	1835							John King, Gidleigh			Labourer	
YOUNG, James <sup>7</sup>	Lady MacNaghten	1835							TA Murray, Yarralumla				
YOUNG, James <sup>7</sup>	John Barry (4)	1836							J Wright, Taylor [sic]				