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1832 43/720 1 Jul 1843 Ticket of Leave Passport Surveyors' Sketch Books In case you missed it in our last issue, an ongoing project here at State Records is the digitisation of Surveyors' sketch books (NRS 13886). The

tracings and sketches date from 1828 to 1890. We have now digitised Six of the 29 volumes. That's over 800 digital images now available through Archives Investigator. There is also a selection of images available on our Flickr account The sketches mostly relate to the following subjects: sketches and tracings of towns and villages and of extensions and alterations proposed thereto, sketches of allotments sold or granted to various persons. There are also sketches and

tracings of land, the ownership of which was in dispute, or of encroachments on Crown lands, and of tracings of reserved roads through allotments, and of street alignments in towns. There are also tracings of land reserved for churches, schools, cemeteries and other public purposes. Among the sketches there are also included lithographs of private subdivisions and some architectural plans and sketches Description from Archives Investigator

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Carrington Presentation Albums - Illuminated Addresses

Read more about these beautiful albums here, or go to our digital gallery to look at some examples here. * The family name is spelt with one 'r' and the title with two. School records The NSW Schoolhouse Museum of Public Education recently donated a number of school admission registers and punishment books to State Records. This included admission registers for North Ryde, Ryde North and Marsfield Public Schools from 1915 to 1973 and punishment books from Putney, Murrumbateman, St Mary's and Marsfield public schools from 1886 to 1974. This was a most welcome donation as school admission registers and punishment books are an invaluable resource for those studying the history of education in NSW, as well as family and local historians, because of the information they record about pupils' names, ages, names of parents/guardians and their address and occupation, and the types offences and punishments that students used to receive. Unfortunately for various reasons, many of these irreplaceable sources about public education in NSW are not part of the State archives collection. We would love to hear from you if you are holding any school admission registers or punishment books or know their whereabouts. If you would like to learn more about the work of the Schoolhouse Museum have a look at their website - http://www.schoolhousemuseum.org.au.

Kindly donated by Micheál Ó Conláin of the Westmeath Archaeological and Historical Society, the Index to the Westmeath Convict Transportation Lists has beengenerated from material Mr Ó Conláin has collected over years of research into his local area - County Westmeath, Ireland.

Treasures found in the records Franco-British Exhibition While researching for our upcoming Anzac Centenary website we came across an unexpected treasure – a file documenting the participation of

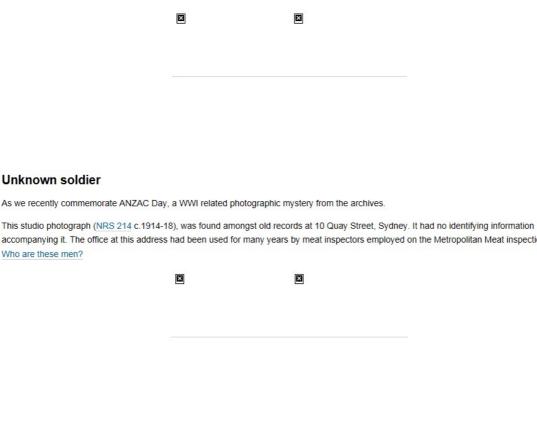
NSW at the Franco-British Exhibition London in 1908. The file, from the Premier's Department, Unregistered papers and pamphlets [4/6251] (NRS 12172) includes 25 photographs and three prints as well as papers concerned with the costs of participating at various exhibitions but in particular

the Franco-British Exhibition. In addition a copy of the report published in Parliamentary Papers, 1909, vol. 5, p.19 on the exhibition by Commissioners Coglan, Barling, and Davis, is included with signatures of the authors, dated 5 February 1909. The photographs appear to be an

NRS 12172, [4/6251], Franco-British Exhibition NRS 12172, [4/6251], Franco-British NRS 12172, [4/6251], Franco-British Exhibition, (floor plan), 1908. Exhibition, 'Coal Trophy', 1908 'Wool Trophy', 1908

Archives Outside Blog update What are your Easter Memories - church, show bags and chocolate eggs? [Easter Encampments]

for mass training utilising the public holidays. Encampments were held from 1873 to 1900, although not every year. See more »



Carlisle Park Public School, c.1933

Carlisle Park Public School

Chatswood Public School - Cadet Corps

EMPIRE DAY. Programme

NRS 12172, [4/6251], Empire Day program,

1905 (cover).

Flickr update

The latest additions include:

Preparing for battle manoeuvres, 1936

NSW Scottish Regiment of the 30th Battalion and the Eighth Infantry Brigade of the First Division preparing for battle manoeuvres near Campbelltown

Chatswood Public School - Cadet Corps Farm Cove, Sydney The departure of the Duke and Duchess and Cornwall and York from Farm Cove, Sydney (NSW)

Spotlight on: Empire Day records

NRS 12172, [4/6251], Empire Day program, 1907

(cover).

A chance find while searching the series Premier's Department, Unregistered Papers and Pamphlets [4/6251] (NRS 12172) revealed a bundle



(see below images for both)

Joseph Carruthers in 1906

NRS 12172, [4/6251], Empire Day program, 1905 (inner).

NRS 4474, [1/265], Empire Day

program, 1906 (cover).

program, 1914 (cover).

NRS 15051, 'Public Schools Display, Empire Day, 24th

May. 1909'.

below)

NRS 3830, [67/21251 pt.1], Commonwealth Day activities:

Boy Scouts Association letter, 7 May 1959.

Upcoming Talks and Tours

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14 June 10:30am - 12:30pm Society of Genealogists (SAG)

26 July 10:30am - 12:30pm Society of Genealogists (SAG)

Richmond Villa 120 Kent Street, Sydney Contact: Society of Genealogists

7 June 1:30 - 3:30pm Hambledon Cottage

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NRS 12172, [4/6251]. The British Empire

League in Australia suggestions, 19 April

The records provide a wealth of information on the importance once attached to celebrating Empire Day. NRS 12172 Premier's Department, Correspondence Unregistered Bundles, [4/6251] includes:

Information on the origin of the date (24 May) being Queen Victoria's birthday An order of proceedings for a ceremony at the Royal Exchange, Sydney Additional programs for Empire Day celebrations in various years

NRS 4474, [1/265], Empire Day NRS 4474, [1/265], Empire Day program, 1914 (inner).

children forming a field-sized British flag in 1909 and in another year c.1910-20.

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League in Australia) The large display in 1909 (see above photograph)was a Public Schools Demonstration (metropolitan and suburban schools) held at Sydney Cricket Ground 24/5/1909, and attended by about 25,000 (see below letter from the SCG Secretary) The tradition of a demonstration held in Martin Place outside the General Post Office was established in 1905 The NSW Police Band played patriotic songs in the city at various locations "National and patriotic airs" were to be played "by bands in the Public Parks and Squares during the afternoon and evening" throughout the state And the second s

NRS 10923, Police Special Bundles, 1846-1963, [10/1827 pt] Empire Day, 1914,informs us:

The name was changed to (British) Commonwealth Day in 1958 following the decolonisation of the British Empire after the London The 24 May date was changed to the official date for the birthday of Queen Elizabeth II (the second Monday of June) in 1966 (see below letter of confirmation dated 18 April 1966) A message from Queen Elizabeth II on Commonwealth Day 1969, directed at young Australians dated 13 June 1969 (see this message A 1970 report on the popularity and significance of the holiday showed it in decline by late 1960s (see report below) AND THE PROPERTY OF THE PARTY O

NRS 3830, [67/21251 pt.1],

Commonwealth Day activities: Message

from Queen Elizabeth II, 13 June 1969

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Sentenced Beyond the Seas - Early Convict Records Janette Pelosi will be presenting this session to the Ryde Family History Society on our significant digitisation project, which focuses on Australia's earliest convict arrivals. 14 June 10:00am - 12:00pm Wilandra 770 Victoria Road, Ryde Contact: Maureen Copley Phone: (02) 9817 4950 Email: rhds1@bigpond.com

Richmond Villa 120 Kent Street, Sydney Contact: Society of Genealogists Phone: (02) 9247 3953 Serving in the Force: Tracing Your NSW Police Ancestors

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Convict Pardons index is now complete The index was compiled from several record series (see the full list) and is available in the Convict database. Convict profile The Convict database combines several record types, allowing you to see a brief profile of your convict. Quick tip: when searching for a convict sort the search results by vessel to group records by person (see the screenshot below)
 Lady Harewood
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 45/541
 19 Jun 1845
 Ticket of Leave Passport

 Lady Harewood
 1832
 45/0082
 22 Jan 1846
 Certificate of Freedom
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 1832 40/2333
 Ticket of Leave

 Lady Harewood
 1832 42/3316
 Ticket of Leave
[4/4144; Reel 938] [4/4171; Reel 947]

Fresh look for records advice to government We have redeveloped the pages on our website providing advice and guidance on recordkeeping to NSW public sector agencies. The new webpages bring together guidance relating to particular topics in the one place. The website is now organised around Rules, Advice, and Resources. See the new layout » Recently Received Records IRDEX.

State Records recently received 22 Presentation Albums from the Centre for Buckinghamshire Studies in Aylesbury, United Kingdom. The Presentation Albums were originally given to Lord Carrington (1843-1928), during his tenure as Governor of New South Wales from 1885 to 1890. They contain original photographs, illustrations and well-wishes from residents, towns and various associations across the state. Minister for Finance and Services, Dominic Perrottet, recently joined Governor of New South Wales, Her Excellency The Honourable Marie Bashir, at Government House to receive the gift of historic albums from the Carington* family.

New resource for tracing Irish convicts A new resource for researching Irish convicts has been added to our CD-Rom resources in the reading room.

accompaniment to this work, as per a list in the back of the report.

The file compliments the the already popular series, Lantern Slides of NSW and Franco-British Exhibition (NRS 14086) which can also be viewed in Photo Investigator. The file contains prints and a floor plan that do not appear in the lantern slides. The floor plan of the NSW section of the exhibition is shown below, along with a selection of photographic prints.

NRS 12172, [4/6251], Franco-British Exhibition NRS 12172, [4/6251], Franco-British NRS 12172, [4/6251], Franco-British Exhibition, 'Report of Messrs Coglan, Barling, and Davis...'. 'Ostrich Feathers', 1908 Exhibition, 'Cereal Arches', 1908 1908

In the late Nineteenth century Easter also meant military training at the 'Easter Encampment'. Volunteers in the NSW military forces came together

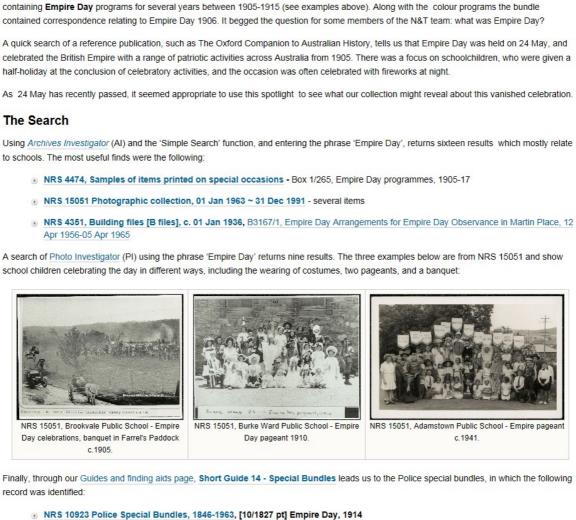
As we recently commemorate ANZAC Day, a WWI related photographic mystery from the archives. This studio photograph (NRS 214 c.1914-18), was found amongst old records at 10 Quay Street, Sydney. It had no identifying information accompanying it. The office at this address had been used for many years by meat inspectors employed on the Metropolitan Meat inspection circuit. Who are these men?

Preparing for battle manoeuvres, 1936

NSW Scottish Regiment of the 30th Battalion and the Eighth Infantry Briga of the First Division preparing for battle manoeuvres near Campbelltown

Part of the Parish of Hunters Hill, 1844

Part of the Parish of Hunters Hill County of Cumberland



1906. NRS 4474, Samples of items printed on special occasions, Box 1/265 includes: Empire Day programmes, 1905-17, From programs covering The day was celebrated with a focus on state schools and the flying of flags Empire Day activities included public addresses by officials, bands playing, military parades, church services (see examples below) EMPIRE DAY.

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Janette Pelosi is presenting this seminar at the Society of Australian Genealogists. She will examine the history of the NSW Police Force and the colonial police forces. She will introduce records held by State Records, including those in the NSW Archives Resources Kit, and discuss how to

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Phone: (02) 9247 3953 Convicts in Your Tree: Using State Records to Build a Story About Your Convict Gail Davis will be presenting this seminar at Tuggerah Library. She will be focusing on convict records held by State Records NSW. 6 August 10:30am - 12:30pm Tuggerah Library Westfield Tuggerah 50 Wyong Road, Tuggerah Contact: Michelle Goldsmith Phone: (02) 4350 1560 Email: goldsmim@wyong.nsw.gov.au See more upcoming events on our State Records Events page. Stay up-to-date with State Records S F Q+ m 😜 Our Reading Room

search these. Other organisations and police records they hold will also be covered.

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Proposed new road passing through Galbraith 2000 acres at Narriga and crossing Endrick River towards Jervis Bay [Sketch book 4 folio 49]

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Was Your Ancestor in Business? & What's New at State Records Parramatta and District Family History Society Gail Davis will present: Was your Ancestor in Business? A talk looking at records concerning businesses held by State Records which can be used to find out about your family's business. It will be followed by What's New at State Records.

Greatest Hits - Top 20 Record Series for Family History from State Records NSW This talk will examine 20 of the most popular and useful record series for family historians held as State archives. Have you consulted these in your research? Come along and make sure you have not overlooked a record series which could be useful. Gail Davis will present.

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NRS 15051, Empire Day display, c. 1910-1920

In searching through State Records, we now know a lot more about what Empire Day was, its history, and how it was celebrated in New South

(cover). NRS 3830, [67/21251 pt.1],

NRS 12172, [4/6251], Empire Day program

1912 (cover).

Details of the activities of the first celebration in 1905, and suggestions for the 1906 event from The British Empire League in Australia B A summary of the 1905 celebrations, as well as a summary of what the day should signify for future years communicated by Premier

NRS 4474, [1/265], Empire Day program, 1909 (cover). NRS 4474, [1/265], Empire Day program, 1907 NRS 15051, Photographic collection, c. 01 Jan 1963 - c. 31 Dec 1991, Contains two fantastic images of large displays of what looks to be mostly

> NRS 3830, [67/21251 pt.1], Commonwealth Day activities: British Commonwealth Day program, 1962

Empire Day was proposed at the conference of Prime Minister and State Premiers, Hobart February 1905 in a submission by J H Carruthers, Premier of NSW (see the 1905 pamphlet relating the the purpose of Empire Day below). It had previously been promoted by the council of The British Empire League in Australia, with the idea being for those people who "enjoy the protection of 'the Union Jack' should unite in a patriotic display, and a sympathetic manifestation of common loyalty" (see the below 1905 appeal from the British Empire