

Origin of Cock as a surname

(I) Characteristic

- (a) W Cornish coch - red
- (b) Name for male hinds
- (c) an early reset (given in Eng. as a descriptive epithet).

(II) Local

- (a) Signboard
- (b) a short pipe or waterspout
- (c) a heap of farm material
- (d) A small boat or cog
- (e) A locality in Somersetshire

(III) Genealogical OE

- (a) OE.
- (b) Jewish personal name (dim. of Isaac in its Hebrew form)
- (c) Anglicization of Irish

(IV) Occupational

Watchman or ministers of religion.

In the Encyclopaedia Britannica Hieronymous Cock is listed (1510 - 1570) from the Netherlands, he was a publisher & did some admirable landscapes of the conventional type (Etching.)

The record of births and deaths in the family bible presented by Rev Amos gave some clue of the family's movements. They ^{parents} were married in Sept 1863.

Children

Edwin 9th July 1864 at Emu Plains
Frederick William 14th Dec 1865 at Emu Plains
James Henry 15th March 1867 " "
John Peter 15th Feb 1868 at Mt Pleasant Bathurst.

Elizabeth Jane (Lil) 15th Sept 1870. Macquarie Swamp near Carcoar

Joseph Cock Aug 17th 1872 Mt Macquarie
& Eva 1st Feb Cherry Tree Hill Mt Macquarie

Richard 15th Aug. 1876 At Cherry Tree Hill Mt Macquarie

Robert Francis (Frank) 7th Aug 1878

Amy Susannah 13th July 1880

Ethel Annie 27th April 1883

Leslie Gordon 15th March 1885 Died Nov 11th 1937

Sidney Harold 17th July 1887

Edwin married Susan Chandler at Wellington Rev E Stephens

{ Edith - (married Rev Percival Hope) died 1977 aged 82;
Joseph Henry killed in battle of Passchendaele 1917 name listed on Menin Gate at Ypres.

William Sons { Lawrence
& Edwin

2. Frederick William married cousin Agnes Hill Wellington

Sons - Vivian
Cecil
Ira
Wesley
Bruce } lived at Eden

Etta (after mother) died young. allegedly jumped from a roof maybe died of a st. infection?

2. James Henry married Lucy Radburn at Blayney.

Uncle Jim born about the time the family was moving by Bullock dray from Emu Plains.

There were 2 children

Eva (1901) Cecil (1912) 10 yrs apart died 1977.

Uncle Jim lost his sight early & Aunt Lucy ran a mine-shop on the outskirts of Wellington. My first memory of Eva was in 1928 just before her 3rd son was born. She was at home with her parents.

4. John Peter was born at Mt Pleasant Bathurst. He was an uncle we saw most of and he was a great favourite. When Beth was small & was reprimanded or feeling sorry for herself her cry was, "I want Uncle Jack."

He married Marion Sharp sister of Arthur Sharp to whom Mother was engaged at 19. He died of typhoid fever. I used to wonder where I'd be if he hadn't. She met A.G.W. when she was 24 & he was a young ^{methodist} probationer. Their engagement was broken but after a world trip he returned.

• they were both 31 when they married

They had 3 sons Edwin, Norman, Maurice who died in infancy. ~~Maurice~~ ^{Maurice} died of Cancer when Ed was about 10. & were brought up by their Sharp relatives.

Joseph Cock-

Trained as a pupil-teacher and when Mother started school at Neiville Uncle Joe was her teacher, under Mr Blacklock. Once there was a discussion about who had their sarms right.

• Joe changed the mark on the blackboard.

Uncle Joe was teaching at Coonamble and died of Consumption when he was 22.

"Loved by all who knew him. His death notice was published in the Free Press and Mining Journal 29-8-'94. overleaf

(From Bathurst Historical Society)

"At Coonamble, on 20th Inst of consumption
the 5th son of Edwin & Susan Cook aged 22 yrs
and 3 days. Beloved by all who knew him."

News came too late, without telegrams or telephones. Mother spoke of leaving at another farm called "Springvale" and coming home from school when she was about 11. Grandmother met them at the steps with her apron to her eyes. The funeral couldn't be delayed in those days and had to be conducted without the family. She remembered her Father sitting stricken with his head bowed & the pot of stew on the hob untouched. A Home missionary called Lund must have brought the news and Jack went to the station to send a belated message by telegram.

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