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*Ans 10.4.84
Apply for
Death Certificate
of Gertrude Isabel*

14th December, 1983

Dear Phyllis,

Thank you for your letter of the 31st October, 1983 and cheque enclosed therein.

Joseph Edge and Harriott Catherine Oates had a daughter Gertrude Isabel who died in 1885 - Country deaths No.2184.

A Joseph Edge died in 1886 son of Joesph Edge and Anna Grundy - country deaths No 1894. In 1896 a Robert Edge son of the above couple died No. 2189 Queensland Deaths. In this entry Anna was registered as Margaret. This may be your Joseph and his brother or may be a completely different family. It is the only Joseph Edge death in the index to 1899.

In the mining records for Charters Towers:- No.332. Proclaimed Goldfields of Charters Towers, Parish of Charters Towers, County of Davenport. District of Kennedy. Rise and Shine Reef. Area 7 acres, 1 rood and 36 perches. Taken upon 1st February, 1882 at £ 8 rent for year, by Joseph Edge and Party. On 25th April, 1883 this was transferred by Joseph Edge, Joseph McElnea, James Doonan, David McVickers, James Gardiner and James Caddy to the Rise and Shine Gold Mining Co.Ltd.

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In the shipping records it shows a Jos/Joe Edge arrived aged 21 years on the Wahroonga, 1614 tons, Captain Fyfe Matron Miss Chase and Dr. Mayton. He was a bounty passenger and left Plymouth on 23rd April, 1884 and arrived Cooktown on the 10th June, 1884. If your Joseph married in N.S.W. this obviously could not be him.

If you get Gertrudes death certificate it should show where she is buried and will give us some time and place to work on. Certificates can be obtained from Registrar General P.O. Box188, North Quay, 4000 and cost \$10 each.

I am very interested in the name Oates as one of my great uncles was Alfred Oates Hutchinson and supposedly named after his fathers good friend.who was supposedly Alfred Oates. A.O. Hutchinsons father was Francis Coleridge Hutchinson who arrived through Melbourne ln 1851 married at Maitland in 1860 lived in Syndey and Wagga Wagga. He was a writer, journalist editor etc. His brother was James Losh Hutchinson who was a gold mining warden and coroner at Creswick Victoriaduring his career. If you ever come across an Alfred would you please let me know.

Do hope this has been of some benefit to your research.

Regards,

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Regards,

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