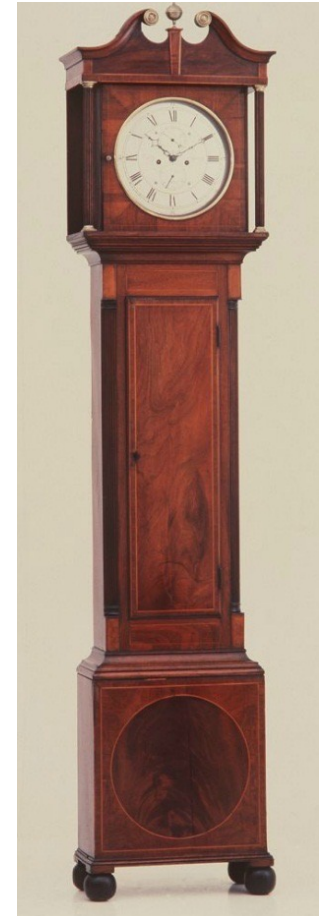


**JAMES OATLEY**



# JAMES OATLEY: c.1770-1839

- Early life (1770 – 1804)
- Fall from grace (1806 & 1813)
- Arrival in the colony (1815)
- Later life and his descendants

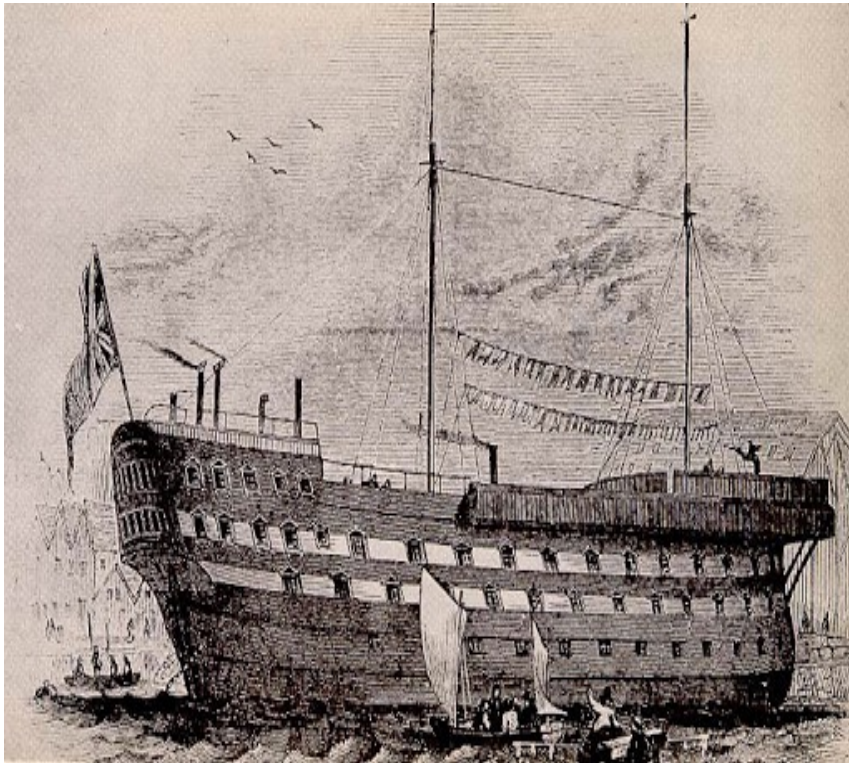


# EARLY LIFE

- Born circa 1770 Staffordshire, UK
- Married Sarah Bennett, St Martins Church, Birmingham, Warwickshire 27/10/1802
- Described as a Watch Maker at the time of his marriage.
- John Barnes acted as his Bondsman at the time of his marriage.



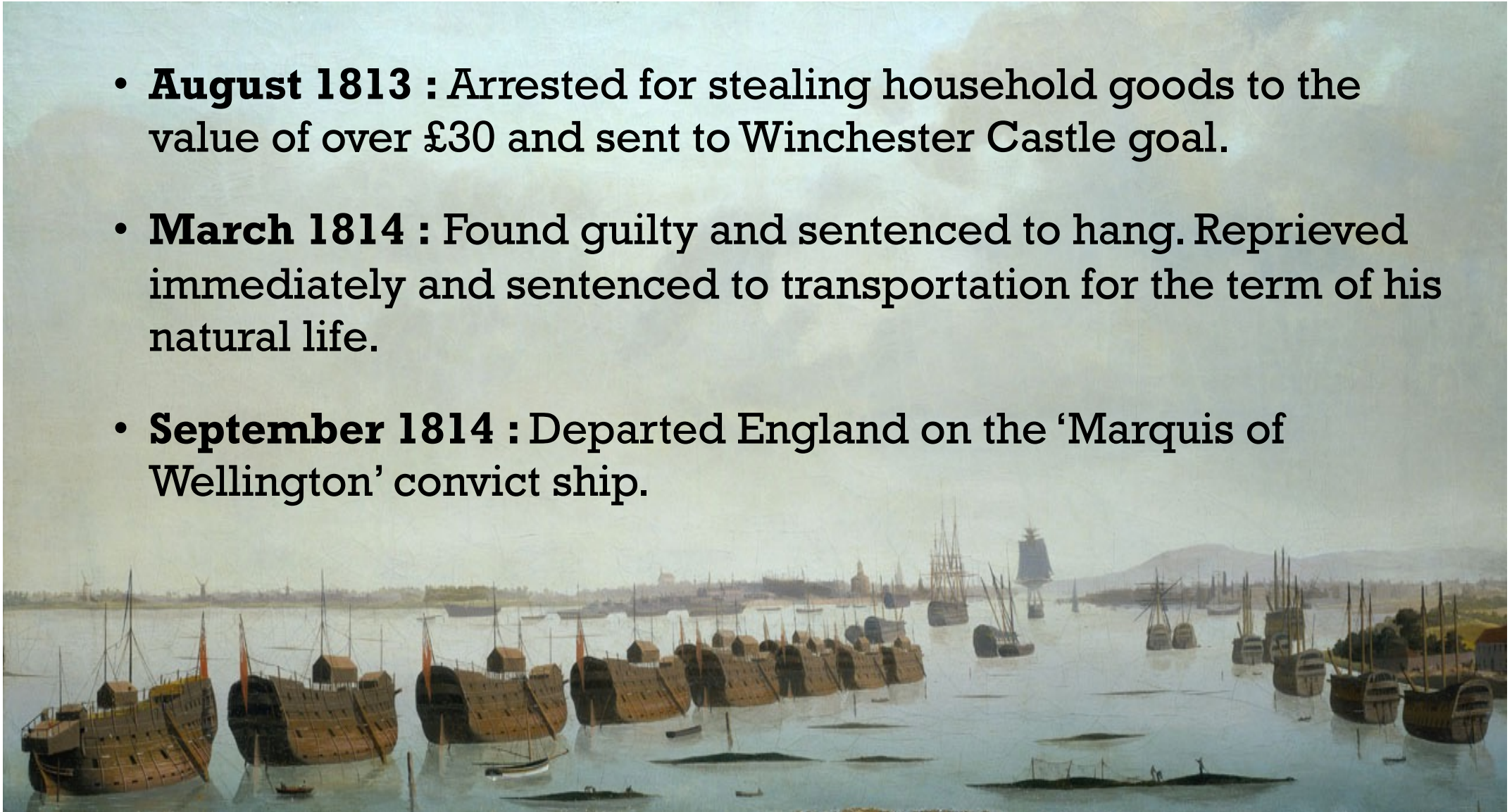
# FALL FROM GRACE:



- **March 1806** : James Oatley and John Barnes were found guilty of ‘Grand Larceny’ and sentenced to 7 years transportation.
- Both men were sent to the ‘Portland Hulk’ in Langstone Harbour (near Portsmouth).
- **October 1812** : Both men gained free pardons (Oatley remains in Portsea area).



- **August 1813** : Arrested for stealing household goods to the value of over £30 and sent to Winchester Castle goal.
- **March 1814** : Found guilty and sentenced to hang. Reprieved immediately and sentenced to transportation for the term of his natural life.
- **September 1814** : Departed England on the 'Marquis of Wellington' convict ship.

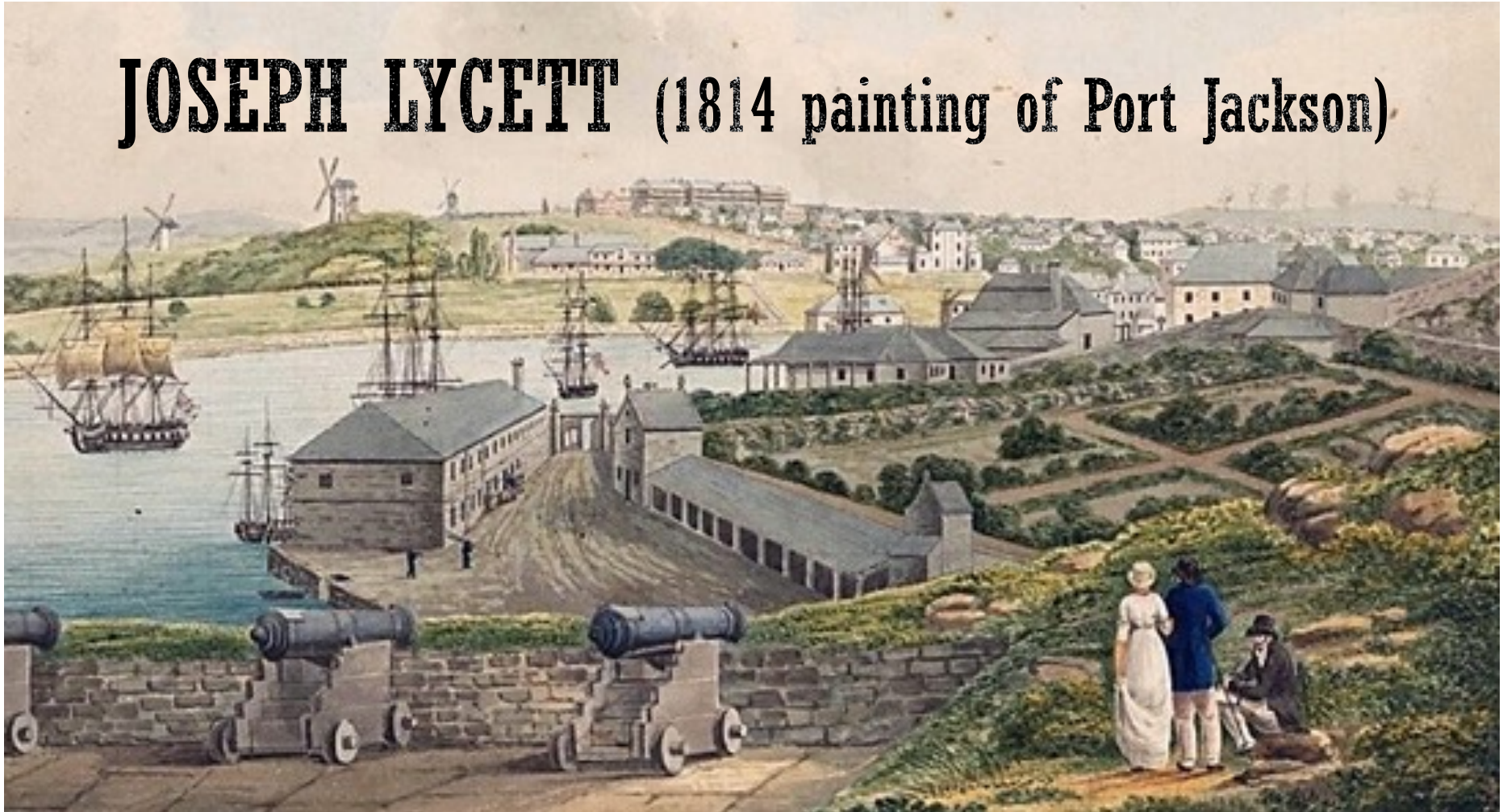


# ARRIVAL IN THE COLONY:

- **January 1815:** Arrived in Sydney, identified as a skilled trade man (previous resident colonial clock-maker dies in this same year)
- **1816 :** First recorded address in Cockle Bay, Darling Harbour
- **1819 :** Appointed 'Keeper of the Town Clocks' (until 1821). In this year he was also paid £75 for "*a new clock at the prisoners' barracks*"



# JOSEPH LYCETT (1814 painting of Port Jackson)



# ARRIVAL IN THE COLONY:

- **October 1821:** Having previously been given his ticket-of-leave, Oatley is granted a conditional pardon by Governor Macquarie.
- **January 1822:** Oatley is superseded by James Robertson (a free settler under the patronage of Governor Brisbane) who is appointed the 'General Superintendent of the Government Clocks throughout the Territory.
- **September 1822:** Purchases George St premises (where he has been living since 1817). This becomes his primary commercial property.





**AND NOW FOR THE COMPLICATED PART...**



# JAMES OATLEY – MARY STOKES – JOSEPH LYCETT

KEY: — = marriage ..... = de facto — = child



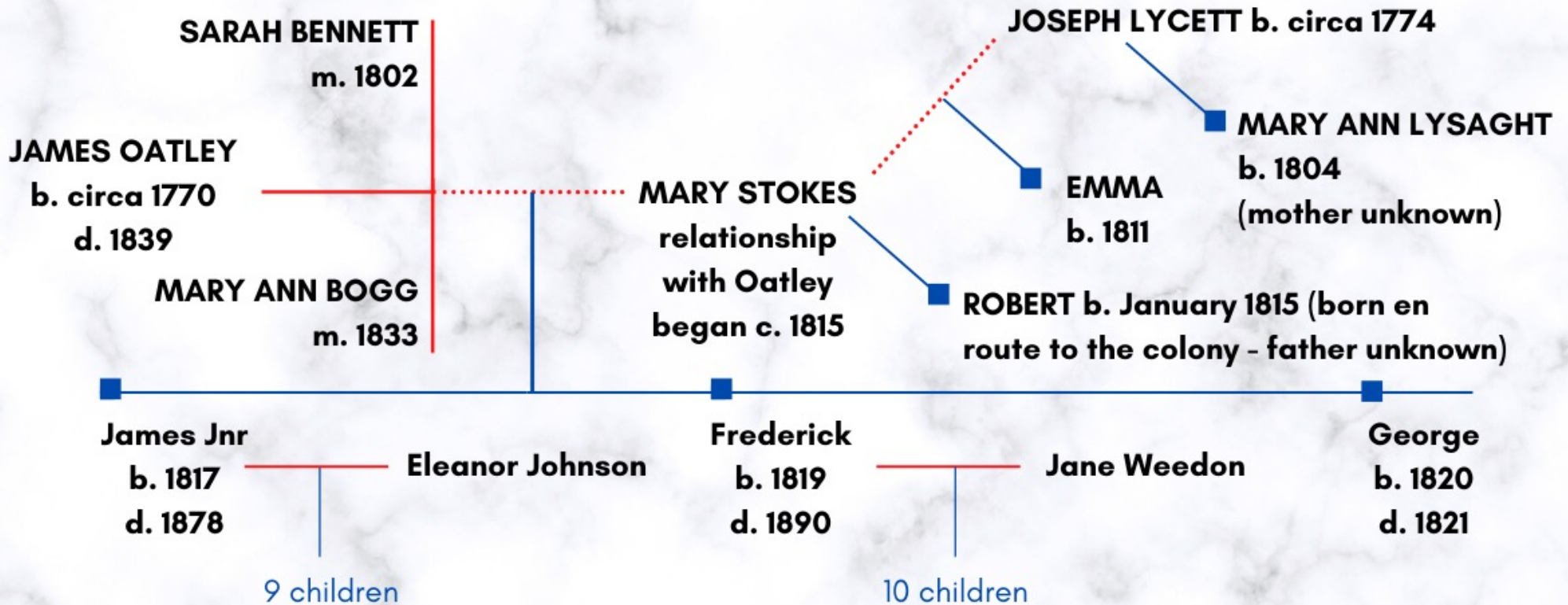
**Between August and October 1812 James Oatley and Joseph Lycett (an engraver who was charged with forgery and later became a prominent colonial artist) would have been together on the Portland Hulk.**

**Was Joseph involved in Oatley's 2<sup>nd</sup> arrest (in order for Mary Stokes to travel to the colony under his first wife's name...?)**



# James Oatley Family Tree

KEY: — = marriage ..... = de facto — = child

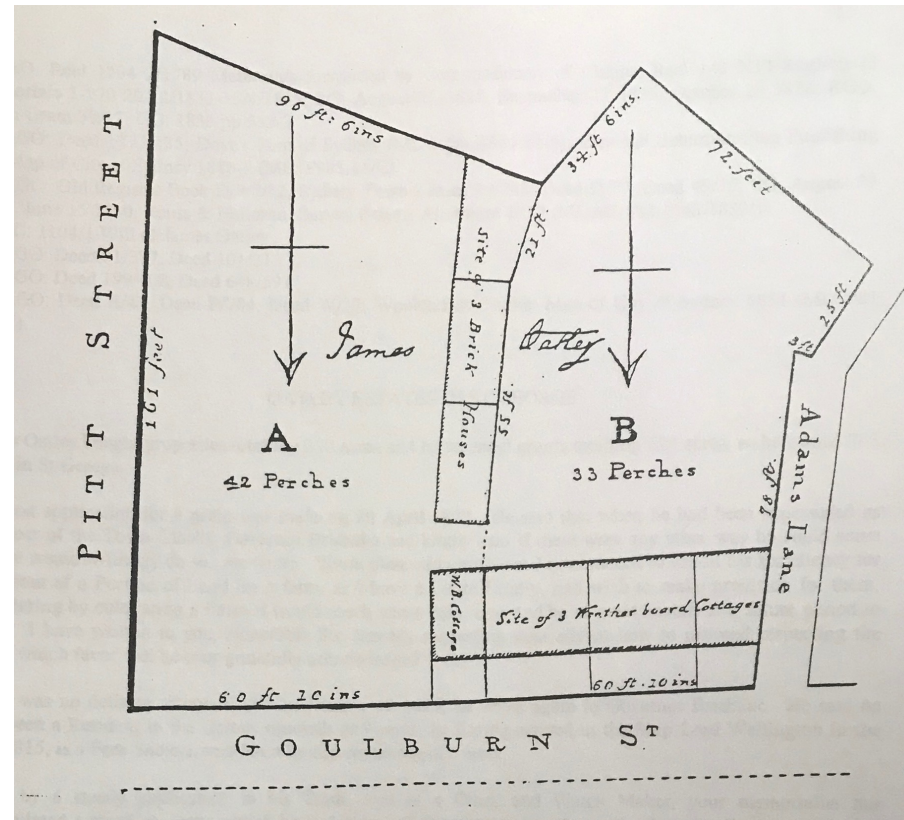


# 1825 ONWARDS:

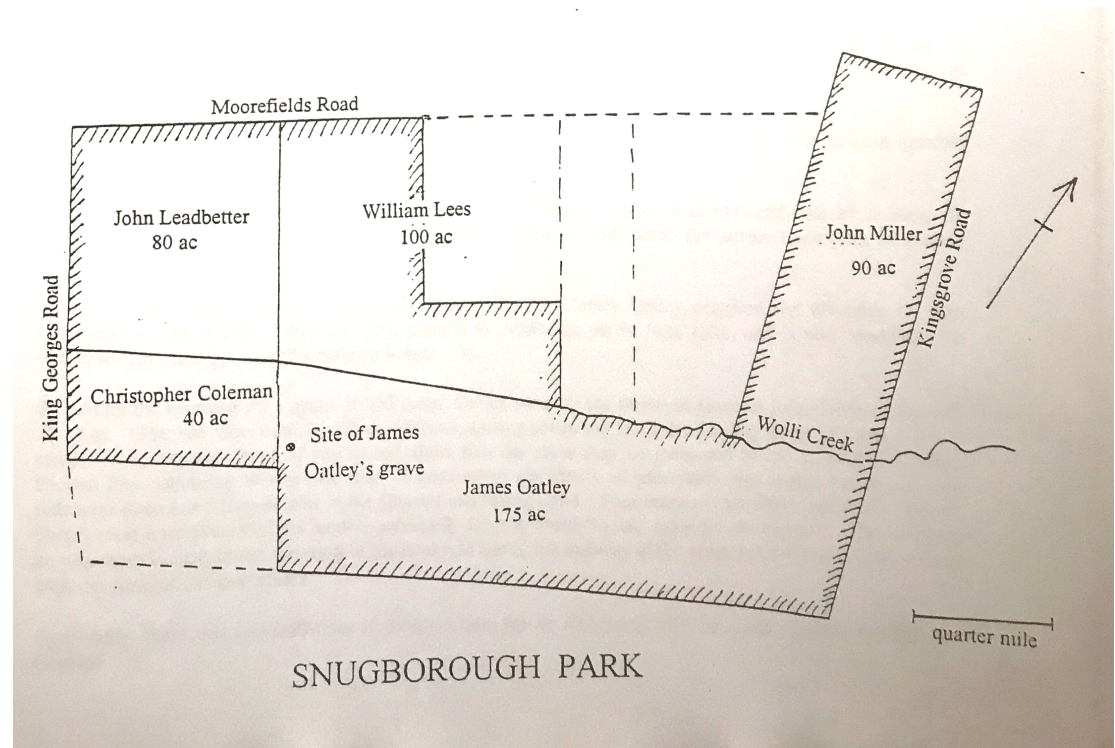
- **January 1825:** Governor Brisbane grants 300 acres of land to James Oatley (that is now the Oatley area)
- **1820 – 1827:** Twelve of his long case clocks built in this period are said to still exist today, each engraved 'Oatley, Sydney'.
- His clocks were bought by eminent colonists.

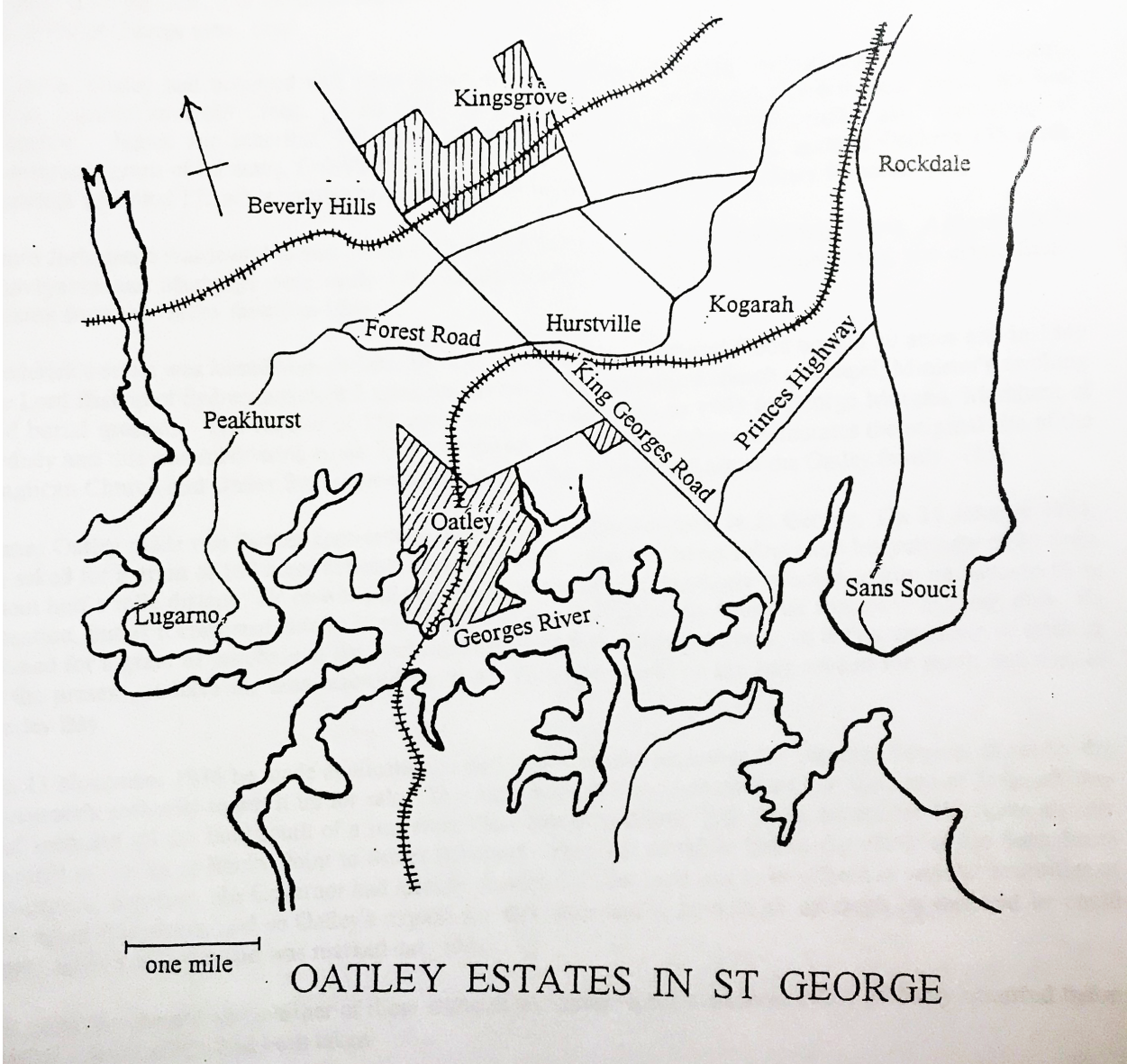


# OATLEY'S PROPERTIES: (Present Day Sydney CBD)



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# FAMILY LIFE & RELATIONSHIPS

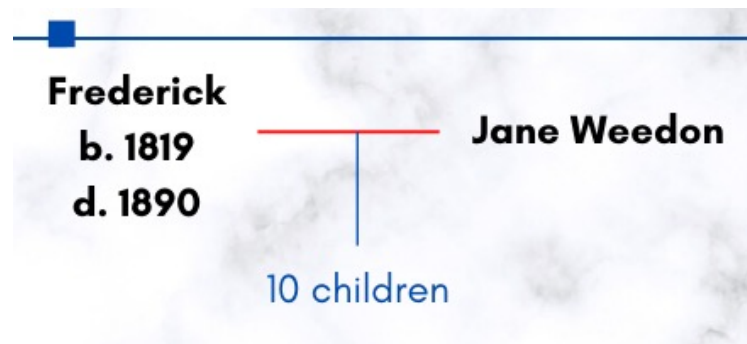
- **1822 – early 1830s:** Relationship with Mary Stokes gradually deteriorates (1822: “wife” → 1825: “house-keeper” → 1828 “Mrs...?”)
- **Early 1830s:** MaryAnn Bogg joins the Oatley household.
- **1831:** Mary Stokes leaves the Oatley household
- **1833:** James Oatley (63yrs) marries MaryAnn Bogg (27yrs)
- **1838:** MaryAnn Bogg leaves James Oatley, he changes his will in September of the following year to limit the property he leaves her. He dies 11 days later at his country property Snugborough Park. MaryAnn Bogg remarries in 1841 but dies in 1842 aged 36.





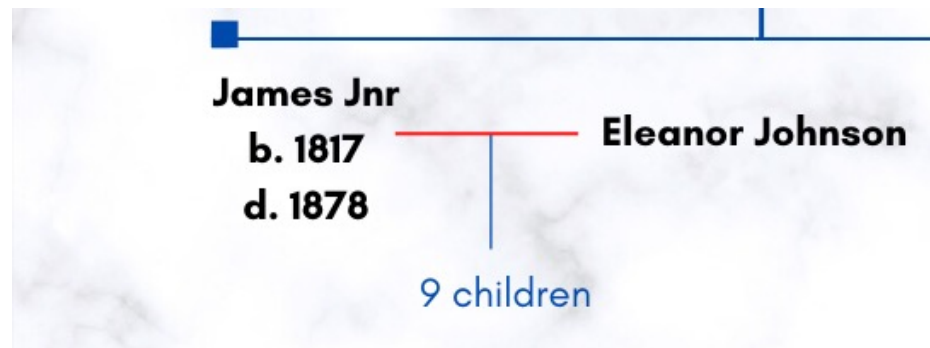
# HIS DESCENDANTS:

- **1840s:** Frederick Oatley carries on the family business in the George St premises
- **1844:** Frederick takes the same position as his father once held 'Keeper of the Town Clocks'
- **1860:** Frederick becomes an Alderman on the first Woollahra Council (until 1884)



# HIS DESCENDANTS:

- **1862:** James Oatley Jnr. becomes Mayor of Sydney.
- **1864-1869:** James Jnr. becomes a member of the NSW Parliament as a Member for Canterbury
- **1876-1877:** James Jnr. becomes Mayor of Paddington



- **1881** : Frederick sells “Needwood Forest” area (Oatley) to Charles Cecil Griffiths.
- **1886**: The ‘Oatley Estate Company’ is formed, taking over allotment sales.

Sections 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, X

# OATLEY'S ESTATE

## GEORGE'S RIVER.

For Auction Sale, on the Ground,  
**SATURDAY, 23<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER, 1886.**  
 AT 3 O'CLOCK.

### HARDIE & GORMAN.

Auctioneers

WONONA PARADE

**- TERMS -**  
*\$5 Deposit, completing up to 20% in three Months.  
 Without Interest.  
 Balance in 30 equal Monthly Payments,  
 With 6% Interest added.*

MULGA STREET

**LOCAL SKETCH**

**- NOTE -**  
 UPLAND LEVEL BUILDING LAND,  
 ADJACENT TO THE RAILWAY STATION,  
 GOOD SOIL & FINE VIEWS.  
 REGULAR TRAIN SERVICE NOW RUNNING,  
 A FEW MINUTES WALK TO THE RIVER,  
 ALL STREETS FULL WIDTH  
 THE HEALTHIEST SURROUNDINGS.

MORT'S HILL ESTATE

WONONA PARADE

RAILWAY AVENUE

FREDERICK STREET

OATLEY STREET

NEVILLE STREET

ILLAWARRA

STREETS

41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, X

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