Susannah Lucy (Huntley) Brooker



Susannah Lucy Brooker née Huntley (1836 Frant, Sussex - 1919 Witta, Qld)

Remembering Susannah Lucy Huntley, matriarch of the local Brooker family. Born 3 December 1836 in Sussex, England, she married her cousin, Henry Brooker, on 26 April 1858. Three months later, the young couple embarked on the emigrant ship "Golconda". Bound for Sydney, NSW. From Sydney, they settled in the Paterson district where their uncle, George Brooker, was living. In March 1859, the first of their large family was born. The Brookers lived in different places in NSW before Susannah, widowed in 1890, moved to Alstonville in the late 1890s. At 74 years of age, Susannah moved again. This time to Teutoburg (Witta), Queensland. Her eldest son, William Henry, had taken up dairy farming there circa 1905. Before leaving Alstonville, Susannah and her son, Henry Thomas, received a public farewell (and a purse of sovereigns) in the local School of Arts in September 1911. She spent eight years at Witta, living through WWI. Susannah Brooker died on 11 November 1919, aged 82 years. Buried in the Witta Cemetery, her pall-bearers were her grandsons, all returned soldiers.

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