

Irish Military Pensioners at Westbury

SCALE OF CHAINS
By J. M. S. Butler 1866

William Lyttleton

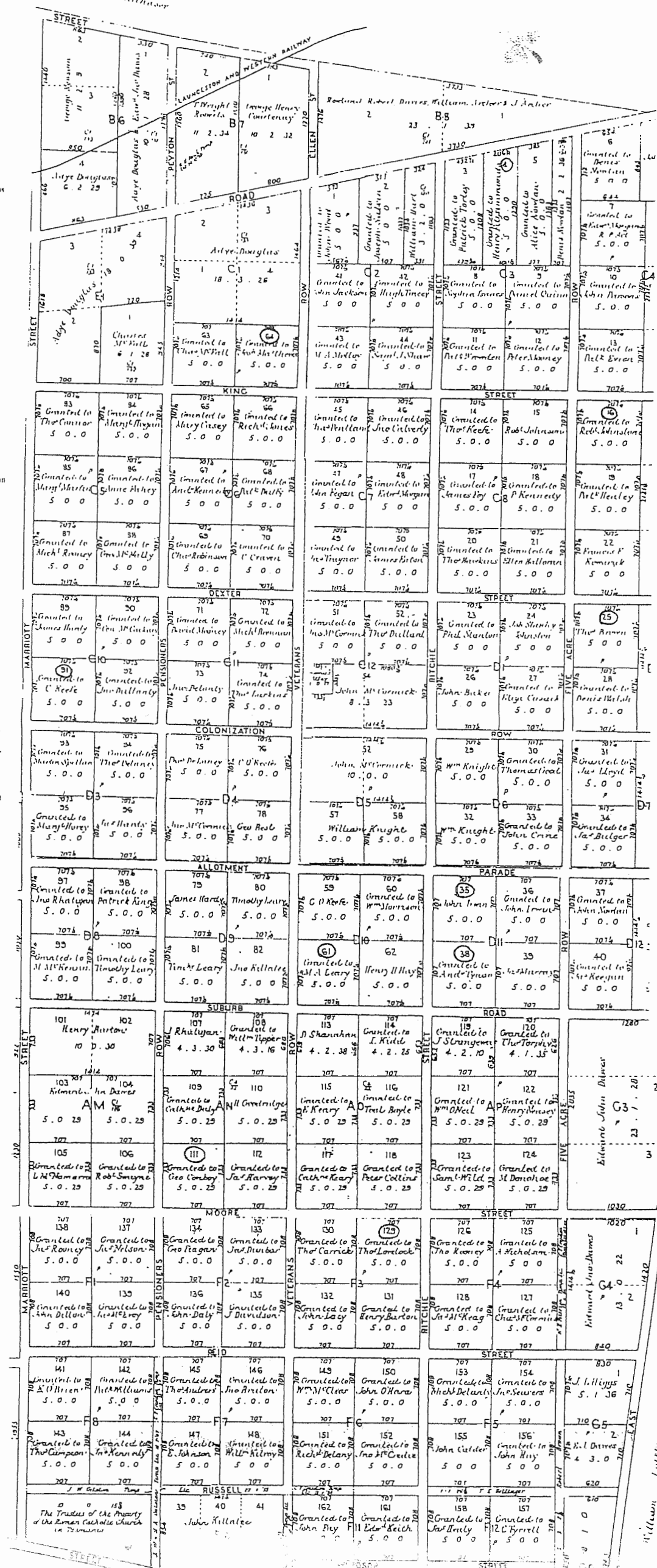
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PENSIONERS' ALLOTMENTS.

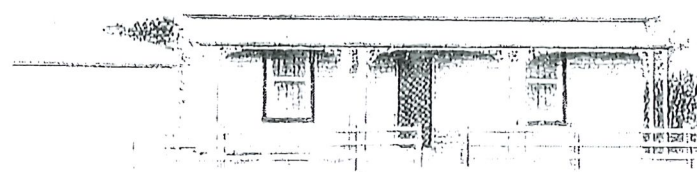
ment No. 2	Westbury-road	John Salvin, on the property	The said John Salvin
ditto 4	ditto	Patrick Torley, ditto	ditto Patrick Torley
ditto 5	ditto	Henry Fitzsimons, ditto	ditto Henry Fitzsimons
ditto 6	ditto	Widow Bond, ditto	ditto Widow Bond
ditto 7	Five-acre-row	Dennis Nowlan, ditto	ditto Dennis Nowlan
ditto 8	ditto	Mrs. Isaacs, Lagon Farm	ditto Mrs. Isaacs
ditto 9	ditto	Daniel Quinn, on the property	ditto Daniel Quinn
ditto 10	ditto	John Parsons, ditto	ditto John Parsons
ditto 11	Ritchie-street	Patrick Warden, ditto	ditto Patrick Warden
ditto 12	Five-acre-row	Pat Mooney, ditto	ditto Pat Mooney
ditto 13	ditto	Pat Effernan, ditto	ditto Pat Effernan
ditto 14	Ritchie-street	Widow Keefe, ditto	ditto Widow Keefe
ditto 15	Five-acre-row	Widow Name	ditto Widow Name
ditto 16	ditto	Robert Johnson, on the pro-	ditto Robert Johnson
ditto 17	Ritchie-street	James Fay, ditto	ditto James Fay
ditto 18	Five-acre-row	Patrick Kennedy	ditto Patrick Kennedy
ditto 19	ditto	Patrick Healey, ditto	ditto Patrick Healey
ditto 20	Ritchie-street	Thomas Hawkins, ditto	ditto Thomas Hawkins
ditto 21	ditto	Widow Halloran	ditto Widow Halloran
ditto 22	Five-acre-row	Phillip Stanton, ditto	ditto Phillip Stanton
ditto 23	ditto	Edward Johnson, ditto	ditto Edward Johnson
ditto 24	Five-acre-row	John Cusack, ditto	ditto John Cusack
ditto 25	ditto	Thomas Good, ditto	ditto Thomas Good
ditto 26	ditto	James Lloyd	ditto James Lloyd
ditto 27	ditto	John Crine, on the property	ditto John Crine
ditto 28	ditto	J. Bulger, ditto	ditto J. Bulger
ditto 29 & 30	ditto	J. Irvin, ditto	ditto J. Irvin
ditto 31	ditto	John Noland, ditto	ditto John Noland
ditto 32	Ritchie-street	Andrew Tynen, ditto	ditto Andrew Tynen
ditto 33	Five-acre-row	Widow Robinson	ditto Widow Robinson
ditto 34	ditto	James Kegan, on the property	ditto James Kegan
ditto 35	ditto	John Jackson, ditto	ditto John Jackson
ditto 36	ditto	Lough Tincey, ditto	ditto Lough Tincey
ditto 37	ditto	Mary Ann Sullivan, ditto	ditto Mary Ann Sullivan
ditto 38	ditto	Samuel J. Shaw, ditto	ditto Samuel J. Shaw
ditto 39	ditto	Mrs. Ramsden, ditto	ditto Mrs. Ramsden
ditto 40	ditto	John Calverly, ditto	ditto John Calverly
ditto 41	ditto	John Fegan, ditto	ditto John Fegan
ditto 42	ditto	Edward Morgan	ditto Edward Morgan
ditto 43	ditto	James Traynor, on the pro-	ditto James Traynor
ditto 44	ditto	James Hain	ditto James Hain
ditto 45	ditto	John M'Corrick	ditto John M'Corrick
ditto 46	ditto	R. Delany, on the property	ditto R. Delany
ditto 47	ditto	Charles M'Fall, ditto	ditto Charles M'Fall
ditto 48	ditto	Joseph Matthews, ditto	ditto Joseph Matthews
ditto 49	ditto	Mrs. Casey, ditto	ditto Mrs. Casey
ditto 50	ditto	Richard Jones, ditto	ditto Richard Jones
ditto 51	ditto	Andrew Kennedy, ditto	ditto Andrew Kennedy
ditto 52	ditto	Patrick Duffy, ditto	ditto Patrick Duffy
ditto 53	ditto	Charles Robinson, ditto	ditto Charles Robinson
ditto 54	ditto	Mrs. Gray, on the property	ditto Mrs. Gray
ditto 55	ditto	David Mooney	ditto David Mooney
ditto 56	ditto	Michael Brennan	ditto Michael Brennan

ment No. 2	Situation of the Property.	Name and Residence of the Occupier of the Property.	Name and Residence of the Proprietor of the Property.
171	Veterans'-row	Mrs. Hogan	The said Mrs. Hogan
172	Marriott-street	Mrs. Schellfield, on the property	ditto Mrs. Schellfield
173	Marriott-street	Margaret Hogan	ditto Margaret Hogan
174	Marriott-street	Mrs. Martin, on the property	ditto Mrs. Martin
175	ditto	Michael Hanney, ditto	ditto Michael Hanney
176	Pensioners'-row	Mrs. Fisher	ditto Mrs. Fisher
177	Marriott-street	James Hardy, on the property	ditto James Hardy
178	Marriott-street	Constance M'Carthy	ditto Constance M'Carthy
179	Marriott-street	Constance O'Keefe, on the property	ditto Constance O'Keefe
180	Pensioners'-row	John Dullany, ditto	ditto John Dullany
181	Marriott-street	Mrs. Lyons	ditto Mrs. Lyons
182	Pensioners'-row	Thomas Delaney, on the property	ditto Thomas Delaney
183	Marriott-street	Mrs. Starkey	ditto Mrs. Starkey
184	ditto	John Hanney, on the property	ditto John Hanney
185	Pensioners'-row	William King	ditto William King
186	Marriott-street	Michael M'Kenna, on the pro-	ditto Michael M'Kenna
187	Marriott-street	Timothy Leary	ditto Timothy Leary
188	Marriott-street	Luke M'Namara, on the property	ditto Luke M'Namara
189	Pensioners'-row	Mrs. M'Connell, on the property	ditto Mrs. M'Connell
190	ditto	Mrs. Brittle	ditto Mrs. Brittle
191	Veterans'-row	James Hanvey	ditto James Hanvey
192	Ritchie-street	Mrs. Toul	ditto Mrs. Toul
193	Ritchie-street	Edward Keary, on the property	ditto Edward Keary
194	ditto	Tom Boyle	ditto Tom Boyle
195	Five-acre-row	Joseph Strangeway, on the pro-	ditto Joseph Strangeway
196	Five-acre-row	Thomas Torphy	ditto Thomas Torphy
197	Five-acre-row	William O'Neil, on the property	ditto William O'Neil
198	Five-acre-row	Henry Neasey, ditto	ditto Henry Neasey
199	Five-acre-row	Samuel Wild	ditto Samuel Wild
200	Five-acre-row	M. Donohoe, on the property	ditto M. Donohoe
201	ditto	Widow Higgins	ditto Widow Higgins
202	Ritchie-street	John Hanney, on the property	ditto John Hanney
203	Five-acre-row	Luke M'Corrick, ditto	ditto Luke M'Corrick
204	Ritchie-street	James M'Keag, ditto	ditto James M'Keag
205	Ritchie-street	Thomas Lovelock, on the pro-	ditto Thomas Lovelock
206	Veterans'-row	Thomas Carrick	ditto Thomas Carrick
207	Veterans'-row	Henry Barton	ditto Henry Barton
208	Pensioners'-row	James Dunbar, ditto	ditto James Dunbar
209	Veterans'-row	George Fegan	ditto George Fegan
210	Veterans'-row	John Davidson, ditto	ditto John Davidson
211	ditto	John Daley, ditto	ditto John Daley
212	Marriott-street	James Nelson, ditto	ditto James Nelson
213	Pensioners'-row	John Hanney	ditto John Hanney
214	Marriott-street	James M'Gray, ditto	ditto James M'Gray
215	ditto	John Dillon, ditto	ditto John Dillon
216	Marriott-street	Kennedy O'Brien	ditto Kennedy O'Brien
217	Pensioners'-row	Patrick Williams	ditto Patrick Williams
218	Marriott-street	Thomas Campion	ditto Thomas Campion
219	Pensioners'-row	John Kennedy, on the property	ditto John Kennedy
220	ditto	Thomas Andrews, ditto	ditto Thomas Andrews
221	Veterans'-row	John Bryan	ditto John Bryan
222	Pensioners'-row	John Kennedy, ditto	ditto John Kennedy
223	ditto	J. M'Guire	ditto J. M'Guire
224	ditto	William M'Leary, ditto	ditto William M'Leary
225	Ritchie-street	Philip Smith, ditto	ditto Philip Smith
226	Veterans'-row	Richard Delany	ditto Richard Delany
227	Ritchie-street	John M'Creedy, ditto	ditto John M'Creedy
228	ditto	Son of Michael Delany	ditto Son of Michael Delany
229	Five-acre-row	John Seavers, ditto	ditto John Seavers
230	Five-acre-row	John Calder	ditto John Calder
231	ditto	John Hay	ditto John Hay
232	Ritchie-street	Christopher Tyrell	ditto Christopher Tyrell
233	Five-acre-row	James Healy	ditto James Healy
234	Ritchie-street	Timothy Shaw	ditto Timothy Shaw
235	ditto	Quartermaster Keith	ditto Quartermaster Keith
236	Veterans'-row	John Fay, on the property	ditto John Fay

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During the period 1830-1850. It was the policy of the Imperial Government (England) to use Military Detachments and later Military Pensioners as guards on convict ships. The pensioners were promised a grant of 5 acres of land, a house, a well and ample supplies of wood, in return for 12 days military service a year and the liability of being called out to defend the colony in case of invasion or civil uprising. Some were called to serve at the Eureka Stockade. They were bound to occupy the grant for 7 years. After this time many left the area. At Westbury the area bound by the Highway, Marriot and East and South Streets were surveyed into 5 acre blocks and granted to the Military Pensioners. Today two families - namely Murray and Johnstons - still own the original blocks and have acquired others as they became available. Some of the original cottages still stand, a few the original structures, others restored and built

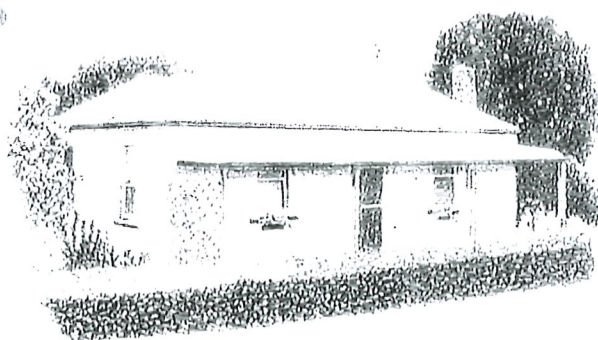


Lot 91 Marriot Street

Granted to Cornelius O'Keefe who came to Westbury with a detachment of the 57th Regiment Fusiliers on Foot in 1830 at the age of 21. When the Military Pensioners arrived he was put in command of them.

He died 17th April 1893 aged 84 years. His wife Ellen died 28th October 1896 aged 69 years. Their graves are in the Catholic Cemetery.

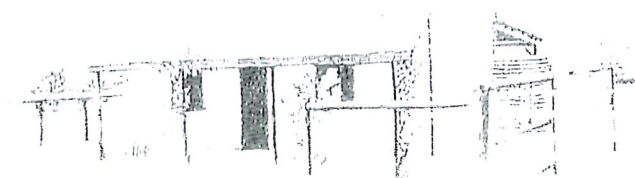
His cottage in Marriot Street is probably the most significant in Queenstown. Built of double brick in 1850 and has been restored in recent years.



Lot 35 Ritchie Street

Granted to John Irwin.

By 1866 it had been purchased by James Murray and is still owned by this family.



Lot 38 Cnr. Ritchie St. and Suburb Rd.

Granted to Andrew Tyran.

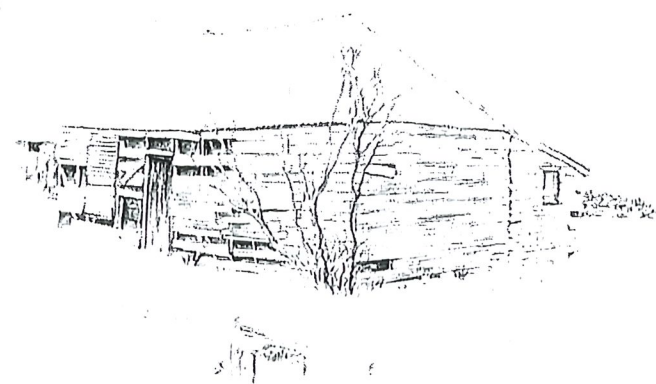
By 1866 it had been sold to J. Connolly of Quamby.



Lot 16 Cnr. King St. and Five Acre Row

Granted to Robert Johnstone, a Sgt. Major 42nd Regiment from Ballycastle Atrim, North Ireland.

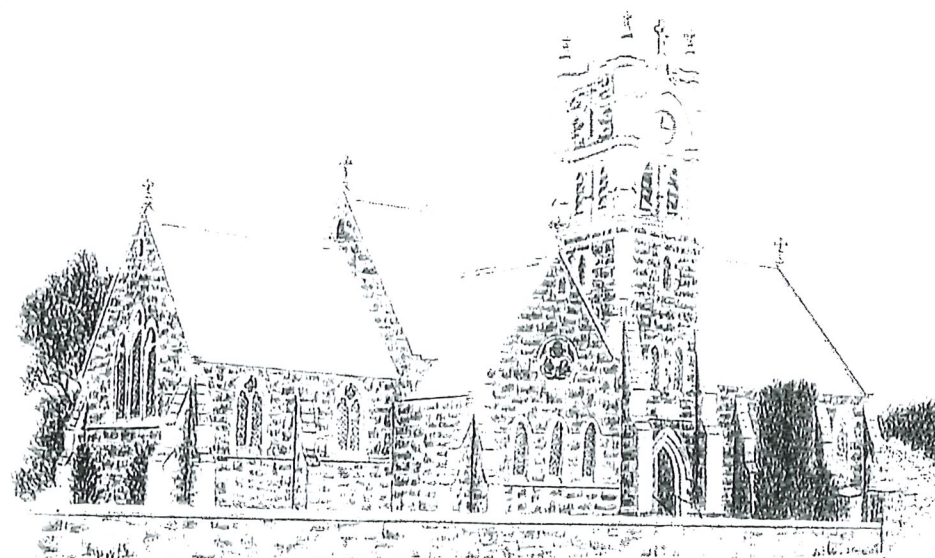
The first pensioner to be granted land in Queenstown. After his discharge he was recalled to serve at the Eureka Stockade. He was Sexton at St. Andrews Church. Married Sarah Brown in Ireland. Died 25th July 1873. Buried in the Anglican Cemetery together with his wife and children. His descendants still occupy the original grant, as well as other land acquired as it came on the market. Original cottage burnt in 1994. It had not been occupied for many years.



Lot III Pensioners Row

Granted to George Comboy. By 1858 this block was owned by John Brittle and in 1866 to 1875 by Mrs. Brittle.

The original cottage still exists in Pensioners Row. It is built with early split timber and palings. One chimney collapsed in 1994.



The Church of the Holy Trinity Westbury

The church was built by Ven. Archdeacon James Hogan and dedicated and opened on the 20th May, 1874.

Prior to this, catholic services were held in various buildings as early as 1847. The architect was Henry Hunter.

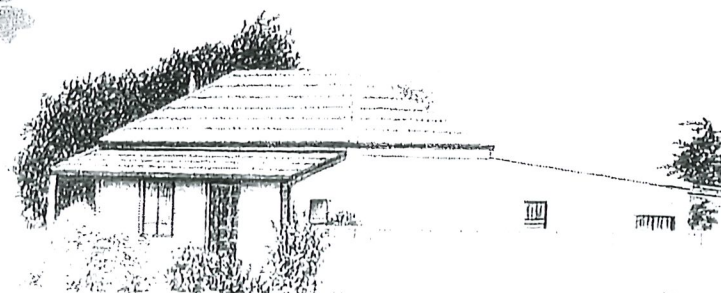
Capable of seating 800 people, the magnificent bluestone church, with impressive stained glass windows and other appointments was completed in 1901 when the tower and clock were added and dedicated to the memory of Archdeacon Hogan who was appointed to Westbury in 1850. He died September 7th 1899. Rev. Fr. Thomas Kelsh followed Archdeacon Hogan and he died in 1928, so the two priests together served the catholic community of Westbury for a total of 78 years.



Lot 28 Five Acre Row and Colonisation Row

As with some other lots in this area, it was not granted to Thomas Brown. The house stands on land originally owned by Edward Dawes.

Although modernised some years ago it still retains the basic "Miners Cottage" shape. The Browns purchased more land in the area when it became available. Thomas Brown died in 1886 aged 71. His grave is in the Anglican Cemetery.



Lot 4 Bass Highway

Granted to Henry Fitzsimmons.

Area known as Davy's Hill. It was owned by the Fitzsimmons in 1875. The name was not on the Assessment Roll in 1895.



Lot 129 Cnr. Moore and Ritchie Street

Granted to Thomas Lovelock.

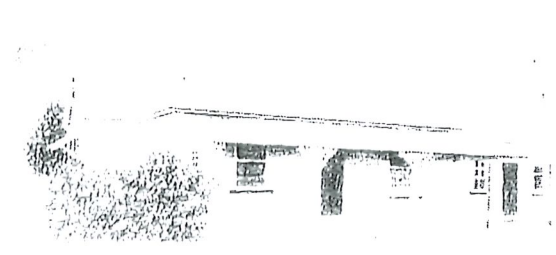
Lovelock died 10th June 1886 aged 89. His wife Ann died 3rd December 1892. Their graves are in the Anglican Cemetery, Westbury. The cottage was demolished in 1994.



Lot 61 Veterans Row

Granted to M.A. Leary.

By 1866 Timothy Leary owned the block together with 80, 90, 22, 100 and 160. By 1895 there were no Learys on the Assessment Roll.



Lot 64 Veterans Row

Granted to Joseph Matthews in Veterans Row.

By 1866 it had been purchased by Charles Taylor.

