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## WILLIAM KNIBB MORRIS

William Knibb Morris (1833-1912), was born at Loughton, Essex UK, son of Thomas Morris (1800-1874) and Sarah (Allard 1803-1876). He and his father sailed in the *Boomerang* from Liverpool to Melbourne in 1855 and arrived in Hobart by the *SS City of Hobart* on 24 May 1855. His brother James had emigrated earlier in 1853 with his wife Elizabeth (Bryant) and baby Thomas and worked for J.B. Mather, who sponsored Thomas and William Morris as bounty emigrants and lent money for the fare (W. Morris mentions in a letter that he had not paid Mather for the tickets). Thomas Morris got a job with R.A. Mather and William started work for H.J. Marsh & Brother's ironmongers, serving in the shop and keeping the books. They lived at first in James Morris' home with his wife, father-in-law Bryant, and the babies, William James born in December 1853 and daughter Mary Elizabeth born 13 July 1855, the first child Thomas having died in Hobart in February 1854, and friend Isaac Cash. William wrote to his mother, however, that James was charging too much for their lodging. In 1861 his mother, Sarah Morris, came to join her husband.

In 1859, after a year or two in a store at Falmouth as agent of the East Coast Steam N.Co of which J.B. Mather was manager, James Morris went to work for J.A. Graham in his store at Swansea and in 1869 purchased the store from Graham.

After eighteen months in Hobart William K. Morris ran a store at Fingal. In 1860 he was managing a store in Sydney for Mr Beamis but this was closed when the owner Mr Beamis was dying in August 1860. He then went to Gayndah in Queensland to work in a store run by Beamis' son until May 1861. In October 1861 he was back in Sydney looking for work and in November went to Orange and then Forbes, on the N.S.W. goldfields, working for a storekeeper named Curran and in 1862 he worked in South Gundagai in Gasse & Co's store. About 1864 he opened a general store at Fingal. In 1869 he married Sarah Rebecca Rothwell and they had seven children between 1870 and 1882. In 1877 he sold his Fingal store and brought his family to Hobart, where he worked for the merchant Leo Susman and later for the Hobart Mutual Benefit Society.

Morris was interested in scientific discoveries including photography, especially methods of copying photographs on paper and there are many references to scientific matters in his letters to his brother Tom, who was also interested in photography and Tom's future wife, Jane Garman was a photographer. In August 1855 Morris wrote to his brother about another method, "besides the collodion" of "photographic pictures on paper described in Mr Woods of Cheapside's little book which is a very simple and good method, and when taken they can be waxed which renders them almost equal to those taken on waxed paper". He sent his brother "a small picture taken by the above process, a positive which I transferred to a piece of paper treated with the chloride sodium in the usual way". A Hobart photographer, Walter Dickenson, might have taken him as an assistant but Morris was afraid of the risk of leaving the commercial life for the artistic. Morris does not seem to have done much photography himself when he was working as a storekeeper in Queensland, N.S.W. and Fingal, although he bought photo-slides to send to his brother. Indeed he may not have owned a camera at that time as he borrowed Clifford's camera to photograph his parents' house at Mangana and had his children's portraits done by professional photographers. His interests turned more to the development of the electric telegraph and the telephone, electric lighting and the microscope and there are many references to developments in Tasmania and on the mainland. In 1888 he became an active member of the newly formed Photographic Society in Hobart, especially in working various kinds of lantern projectors, and in 1891 he referred to his "little camera".

## W.K. MORRIS: LETTERS HOME

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W.K. Morris to his mother 1855

Description of embarkation at Liverpool on the "Boomerang", signing bounty tickets, etc. (incomplete letter, undated c Jan.1855); part of letter describing voyage from Melbourne to Hobart in screw steamer "City of Hobart" and arrival, met by James and Isaac Cash "dressed in colonial style with large slouching white felt hats", James had only one child James William "a most beautiful little chap just running alone", another expected, landed on Queen's birthday - kept as strict holiday, rumours of Mr Bryant drinking false, Mr Freer proprietor of low theatre [25 May 1855]; Hobart: business depressed but father got job immediately with R.A. Mather, W.K.M. working for ironmonger Mr Marsh, serving in shop and keeping books, went to live with James and Mr Bryant but James charged 18s for lodging, not paid Mather for tickets but "James thinks he would not take it", Jim had daughter born last Friday [ie 13 July 1855] (16 July 1855); sorry to hear brother Tom had smallpox, sending money, kindness of employer, gathering "beautiful yellow flower of the wattle tree", father and James had built little shop in backyard to work at shoemaking - at work on pair of wellingtons (9 sept 1855).

(4 letters (2 incomplete) badly damaged by damp and amateurishly repaired with adhesive film which has caused further damage and crinkling of paper)

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W.K. Morris to brother Thomas John Morris 2 Feb. 1855 - 18 Oct. 1855

Journey by rail to Liverpool to embark on "Boomerang", voyage - very healthy, did not lose a single adult and only five children, arrival, job with Marsh & Brother, made galvanic battery, not done much photography as it was winter, glad to hear brother converting shed to dark chamber, several photography places in Hobart to get collodion, one [Walter] Dickenson showed his collection of pictures and hinted he needed assistant but "it would require great inducements for me to leave the commercial for the artistic . . .", photography processes, enclosing small sodium chloride print (July & Aug. 1855), James' new baby daughter born (July 1855), description of job, Marsh's tokens - shortage of copper coins (Aug.1855), Isaac Cash, sending money, glad Tom recovering (Oct. 1855)

(10 letters, inc. 1 of 3pp. Bad condition and amateurishly repaired with adhesive film)

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W.K. Morris to brother Thomas John Morris July 1860 - July 1862

Sydney: his "governor" dying, might go to Snowy Mountain diggings, New Zealand War, store closed, Beamis also had store at Gayndah (July, Aug. 1860); Gayndah, Queensland: journey via Maryborough, description of Gayndah, circus, Valentine who had rival store at Fingal absconded, aborigines, corroboree, planted some cotton seeds, thinking of going to Fiji Islands, mother sailed, (Sept. 1860 - Mar 1861); incomplete portion of letter: report from NSW on unsettled state and loss of life [?aborigines], bad news of "Victorian Exploring party" [Burke & Wills] which set out 9 months ago - his opinion that "without the aid of a tribe of friendly Blacks the Continent of Australia will never be explored", exploring in Queensland going on slowly - station after station with runs "more and more into unsettled country" (c June 1861); Sydney: left Gayndah in May and done nothing since except last three weeks in Hobart, NZ diggings not turned out well, Annie been to Port Albert [Vic.], London Exhibition, going to Orange [NSW.], Mrs Hedburg died in Hobart, (Oct, Nov. 1861); Orange: description of journey from Sydney to Orange on coach and district round Orange, recommends Mundy's *Our Antipodes*, NSW exhibits for London Exhibition included model of Sofala diggings; Orange newspapers with Sydney news, glad stereoscopic slides arrived safely - bought in Sydney - English views, working in Curran's store - not happy, Pizey manager of electric telegraph (Dec. 1861); Forbes, Lachlan, NSW: goldfields, running store for Curran, description of work and Forbes, Mrs Reed's photography gallery in tent - portraits "very fair" (Jan, Feb. 1862); Gundagai South: working in Gasse & Co. general store, brother James lost youngest child, framed picture of Queen Victoria from illustrated papers sent by Tom - calico

mount, £12000 gold robbery by Garner's gang [Frank Gardiner als Christie als. Clarke], telegraph and local newspaper at Tumut. (c May - July 1862)  
(20 letters, all damaged, some incomplete)

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W.K. Morris to brother Thomas John Morris 19 Sept. 1864 - 1866  
Fingal: family, Sarah ill [sister d. Nov. 1864], sending money but not much - his business doing well but started on credit, American war, New Zealand war, Annie [sister] ill at Port Albert, Annie had still born child, Fingal goldfields hopeful (description), James appointed Landing Waiter at Swansea - will not interfere with employment with Graham but gives him extra £100 a year (c 1866)  
(6 letters, damaged)

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W.K. Morris to brother Thomas John Morris 6 Sept 1872 - June 1877  
Fingal: store business, cost of transport and import of goods, elections, parents at Mangana, Willie [William James Morris son of James] helping, Annie Ashton [sister] in hospital at Melbourne - skin graft on leg, Collis schoolmaster on Islands [ie Furneaux Islands], family: wife Sarah, son Percy, baby Thomas (Apr.72), daughter Celia Sarah born 27 March 1876 (Apr. May 76), brother James and his family, visit of Anthony Trollope to Hobart - "they make quite a lion of him" (Jan 72), gold mining, gold at Mangana, (1872), Wesleyan chapel built (1872), telegraph across Australia from Adelaide to Darwin, talk of railway (Sept 72), bought large building in centre of town formerly Highland Inn (Feb [73]), Governor's visit, coal mines - Mt. Nicholas, Seymour, transit of Venus (Nov.74), telegraph coming - learning alphabet in preparation (Nov. 74), Aug. Oct. 75, Apr. 76), death of father Thomas Morris (Dec. 74), description of district and journeys, Clifford the photographer visited Fingal - WKM had views taken - borrowed C's camera to take views of parents' house Mangana (Oct.75), measles (Sept-Nov 75), "little single needle instrument" [?electromagnetic telegraph], description of St. Helens (Apr.76), death of mother (20/12/76) and Mary Marshall [daughter of James Morris] (Dec.76), scientific experiments, papyrograph [copying] process (76-7), business quiet - thinking of looking for another occupation (Feb.77), business closed, creditors treated him kindly except P.O.Fysh (Apr.77).  
(39 letters, damaged)

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W.K. Morris to brother Thomas John Morris July 1877 - 1880  
Hobart: auction at Fingal successful, Sunday School gave Sarah purse of money - invested in small "Friend" sewing machine, train, job on Railways, Jerusalem [Colebrook] station, accident on line, going back to Susmans, Rev. Wade, temporary job with R. Lewis & Son then back to Susman (Mar.78), experiments with telephone, Dr. Smart's telephone connected to another doctor's surgery across road (Mar.78), value of electric telegraph, Mr Henry [Robert H. jr.] head of telegraph office, experiments with microphones - meeting at telegraph office, daughter born - "a regular Morris" dark eyes and black hair (30 Aug.78), Prof. Pepper's lecture on electricity, Canon [Marcus Blake] Brownrigg missionary formerly at Lachlan goldfields 1860-1, sending photo of railway line at Jerusalem, also sending Father and Mother's cockatoo - they taught it to speak - on "Windward" which was carrying 2000 birds, electric pen (Apr., May 79), winding up Duncan's estate at Fingal (May 79), Cowper's writing telegraph, Edison's loud speaking telephone, Mr Henry to establish telephone circuit, experiments with telephone between New Norfolk-Hobart-Sandy Bay (31 Aug.79), progress at telegraph office Mt. Nelson - connected with office by Bell/Siemen telephone, Collis family, Ackerman's museum at Launceston, Sydney Exhibition (Aug.79), scientific experiments at conversazione in aid of organ fund (Sep 1879), Percy had rheumatic fever, Charles Bryant drowned in Derwent (Feb. 1880), parrot skins and frames made by Martha Rothwell of Quorn Hall sent by Lufra for children (Feb.80), "Star" newspaper, James Morris' tin mine (Mar.80)  
(32 letters, damaged)

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W.K. Morris to brother Thomas John Morris 1881 - 1891  
Hobart: death of Mr Matthews [? Cephas Matthews, Chief Officer of "Lufra", drowned at sea 13 Sep. 1880 age 36], Mrs Matthews and little child (Jan [1881],

Feb.82), Edney Morris [son of James], appointed Council Clerk of Swansea at £210 a year (June, July 81), children Percy, Tom & Albert at Government School (July 81), smallpox at Sydney, signalling by light flashes or helestaph (*sic*), steamer "Patena" (81), Percy died of heart trouble following rheumatic fever (Oct.81), Paris Electrical Exhibition (Oct.81), geology - visit of Prof Denton (Jan.82), a Hobart photographer imported dry collodion plates from England (Jan 82), Russian warship and electric light, Mr Henry of Electric Light Co. has 2 Swans electric lamps and 2 Siemen's duplex instruments (Feb. 82), WKM. rigged up telephone between himself and Rev. Palfreyman opposite - children had treat talking and singing through it - used porcelain cupboard handles as insulators (Feb.82), accumulator batteries, Juvenile Industrial Exhibition in New Market, Hobart - lit by electricity (82-3), electric lamp arrived (Dec.82), sending photo of Rocking Stone on Mount Wellington (Dec.82), telephones on Kents Group Island to connect lighthouse with superintendent's house (Jan 83), small lamps for microscope (May 83), Hobart Telephone Exchange opened (July 83), nephew Henry Stevens visit and death from TB (1883-Mar.84), photographer Harold Riise [Riise & Barnett Elite Studio] insolvent - Susman's selling stock - beautiful pictures (May 85), Edney Morris Superintendent of Police Swansea (8/10/83), railway debate (8/10/83), earthquakes in N.E. Tasmania and damage to houses in Fingal (7/9/83, 8/10/83), *Australian Graphic* pictures printed from glass engravings - a Tasmanian invention (3/12/83), religious revivalists in Hobart (12/65/84), daughter Ada born June 1884 (19/9/84), undersea cable broken (19/9/84) fear of war with Russia (May 85), appointed accountant to Building Society at £150 pa - glad to leave Susman's (Aug. 1885), scientific lectures by S. Clemes of Friends School (May 87), sending photo "pan" of Launceston taken from Cataract Hill, lenses for microscope, lantern slide show "footisconopliscope" - WKM managed lime light and dissolving, Photographic Society (1888 Apr, May, Nov.), Royal Society Conversazione, sending photo of Baptist Tabernacle (Mar. 89), Albert a telegraph operator, phonograph in Melbourne (July 1890), polariscope (1890), his little camera (Aug.91). (76 letters, damaged)

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W.K. Morris to brother Thomas John Morris ND

Undated or unidentified parts of letters: 1) J.W. Pepper (of Pepper & Perrin drapers, Launceston) going to England, unsettled weather since last transit of Venus; 2) [post 1885] received little book on "Electricity to date", Ackerman, bank failure affecting building societies; 4) note about newspapers sent; 5) 17 Oct. -- Melbourne Exhibition, Mr & Mrs Fryer, Swansea relatives; 6) newscutting of Holy Trinity Club meeting - W.K. Morris exhibited views of microscopic objects on a screen with "oxy-hydrogen" light. (6 papers)

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W.K. Morris to brother Thomas John Morris 1898 - 1900

Hobart: family news, Craig given up Officer College and gone to Sydney - too great expense in maintaining staff to run it at a profit - Fanny and the six children and Willie Morris' daughter Bessie travelled by Oonah - large steamer lit by electricity (Aug.98), old vessel Aladin laid up in river and used as gunpowder magazine had been whaler but was formerly French vessel La Mutine taken by Nelson at battle of Nile 100 years ago (Aug.98), sending photos of Albert and his fretwork (Sep.98), received book on "Wireless Telegraphy" - lent it to J.W. Agnew (Nov.98), South African War (Mar. 1900) (11 letters)

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W.K. Morris to brother George Morris 1855

The voyage, description of log used to ascertain speed of vessel, with diagram. (2 papers)

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W.K. Morris to sister and Uncle & Aunt 1855

W.K.M. to sister 1855: the voyage, arrival, Hobart, asks after Jane Garman and her photography - on the look out for some of her specimens. W.K.M. to Uncle and Aunt 1855: the voyage. (2 letters, damaged)

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- 12 Sister Mary and brother in law Henry Stevens 1875, 1876, 1906  
 W.K.M. to Henry Stevens (1875): sympathy on Mary's illness [Mary Ann Stevens nee Morris], parents, Annie's death, loss of steamer Gothenberg on way from Port Darwin to Melbourne, flood in NSW. Mary (Morris) Stevens to brother W.K.M [1876], birthday wishes, family, little Henry. Also souvenir letter card with views of Bournemouth, UK., from Ada Crouch (nee Stevens) to her uncle W.K.Morris. (2 letters, 1 booklet of photographs)
- 13 Frederick Scheer to William Morris 16 May 1862  
 London: loss of son, WKM not tried hand at gold digging instead of serving diggers, cotton market dull owing to American squabbles, business, friends. [Scheer former employer of WKM]  
 (1 paper)

#### W.K. AND SARAH R. MORRIS: CORESPONDENCE WITH CHILDREN

- 14 W.K. Morris and son Robert James (Rob or Bob) Morris 3 Apr. 1905 - 1907  
 Letters and picture postcards from Robert in England and letters to Robert from father in Hobart.  
 (1 folder)
- 15 Robert James Morris to mother Sarah Rebecca (Rothwell) Morris 2 Apr. 1905 - 1907  
 Voyage to England by Orient-Pacific Line SS Orontes and stay in London.  
 (letters in 1 folder)
- 16 Sarah Rebecca (Rothwell) Morris to son Robert James Morris Apr. 1905 - 1907  
 News of home to son travelling in England.  
 (1 folder of letters - many undated)
- 17 Ada Rosina Morris to mother Sarah Rebecca Morris 1906 and undated  
 Family news  
 (letters in 1 folder)

#### WILLIAM K. MORRIS: MISCELLANEOUS

- 18 Miscellaneous papers 1871 - 1886  
 Welcome to Rev. J. Graham program 1871; notes on making lenses and for finding the focal distance and power of a telescope (ND); receipt for £342.15.0. paid for discharge of mortgage on Arthur Street residence (20 Dec. 1886); notes for Sara's letter to her aunt Mary (ND); news cutting about debts of E.T. Walker stationer and manager of business of Henry Stevens (d. 1897, widow d. 1906) (ND c 1906-7)

#### SARAH REBECCA (ROTHWELL) WIFE OF W.K. MORRIS

- 19 Sunday School presentation [1877]  
 Presentation of purse to Mrs Morris "in remembrance of friends and the teachers connected with the Wesleyan Sunday School Fingal", listing 23 contributors. Note added by SM: "I purchased a sewing machine called the 'Friend' and it was true to the name".  
 Note: the back of this document was used at a much later date for family reminiscences of John Rothwell, Sarah Crouch etc.  
 (1 paper)

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Letters from relatives and friends 1896, 1906 - 1907

From nieces and nephews and sister-in-law from England, including: Emily J. Morris (1896), Ada, Mary (Molly)  
(9 letters in folder)

### SARAH ROTHWELL

Sarah Rothwell (1807-1876), who married Thomas James Crouch (1805-1890), Under-Sheriff, on 20 February 1832, was the sister of John Rothwell and aunt of Sarah (Rothwell) Morris.

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Letter to Sarah Rothwell from T.J. Crouch 12 Jan. 1832

Guarantee of money owed to Mr O [Rev. Joseph Orton who employed SR as governess] and S.R's return from Sydney to Hobart, Wesleyan Sunday School, hymnbooks. (Letter incomplete - last page and signature missing).  
(1 paper)

### ROBERT JAMES MORRIS

Robert James Morris (1880-1963), youngest son of William K and Sarah Morris, became a bookseller in Hobart. On a visit to his relatives in England 1905-7 he corresponded with his brothers and sisters in Hobart.

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Thomas Rothwell Morris to brother R.J. Morris 1905 - 1907

Letters from brother Tom to Robert in England and some replies.  
(2 folders)

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Celia Sarah (Cissy) Morris to brother R.J. Morris 1905 - 1906

Letters to brother in England and some replies.  
(2 folders)

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Mary Louisa Morris to brother R.J. Morris 1905 - 1907

Letters to brother in England and a few replies.  
(2 folders)

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Ada Rosina Morris to brother R.J. Morris 1905 - 1906

Letters to brother in England and a few replies.  
(2 folders)

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Letters to R.J. Morris from relatives and friends 1902, 1905-1909

Casual letters from friends, aunts, cousins etc, including Allan Marshall: church meeting (27 Nov.1902), Harry Sidwell, Charles Walch, E.C. Fuller, Howard Gandy: stationery business London - does work for Tas. Govt. Office - enclosed: photo of Gandy & Gandy store (27/1/09; 18/11/09), Morris L. Wright, A.E. Seabrook: mission school for blind girls Foochan.  
(letters in 1 folder)

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## Photographs c 1905-7

Family photographs:-

- (1) Lady Franklin's gum tree, Davey Street.  
Sepia print, mounted.
- (2) Boy, ? R.J. Morris c 1890  
head & shoulders of boy aged about 10-12, ?Robert Morris. Carte de  
visite portrait by Anson Photographers.
- (3) R.J. Morris. Studio portrait by Rembrandt, standing, holding book, oval,  
mounted.
- (4) R.J. Morris and Ada Crouch, Epping Forest, UK July 1907  
Seated on log "Forest Lovers, Ada & I on our way from Theydon to  
Loughton". Small snapshot.
- (5) Miss Ewell outside her cottage (?UK) c 1905-6
- (6) "Annie's chalet, Haslemere, Surrey" UK c 1905-6  
RJM's room marked. Small snapshot
- (7-8) Kellevie, Tas.: Allan, Hook, Woolley, Tribe, Morris May 1905  
Snapshots taken by Thomas R. Morris.
- (9-10) Thomas Rothwell Morris 21 sept. 1906  
Standing holding football outside weatherboard house. Snapshots.
- (11) Group in front of tent [1905-7]  
Two young men, two young ladies, in front of small bivouac tent, bush  
setting. ?T.R. Morris, Mary, Celia, R.J.Moore?. Snapshot
- (12) Two young men in paddock ND  
Dressed in breeches, boots and puttees, wiping hands on towels.
- (13) Gandy & Gandy store, London ~~1898~~ 1908  
(Enclosed with letter of 18 Nov. 1909 M13/30)

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## Family history notes

Notes of births of members of the Morris family; notes (in later hand writing)  
from family notebook. (See also 19)  
(2 notebooks)

## UNIDENTIFIED ACCOUNT BOOK

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## Merchant account book 1855 - 1856, 1861 - 1864

Unidentified account book recording trading, shipping and other expenses  
(1855-6). Reference to Luckman. Later entries, roughly written, appear to relate to  
household type expenses.

NAME	AGE	DESCN	DATE	TOPIC	REF
Ackerman,		Museum prop.Ltn	1879	Museum Ltn.	M13/6,8
Ashton,Annie	1838-1874	(Morris)w.J.W.Ashton	1864-1876	ill, Port Albert,death	M13/4,5,12
Beamis,	-1860	storekeeper Sydney	1860	Morris emplr	M13/3
Brownrigg,Marcus Blake	1835-1890	Angln.clergy,Canon	1879	Island Mission Acct.-ref.	M13/6
Bryant		fr.Eliz.Morris	1855	refs	M13/1
Bryant,Charles	-1880		1880	drowned Derwent	M13/6
Burke,Robert O'Hara	1821-1861	explorer	1861	Victorian expedn. ref.	M13/3
Burnett,Matthew		evangelist	1884	visitApr.-May	M13/7
Cash,Isaac		settler	1855	refs	M13/1,2
Clemes,Samuel	1845-1922	head Friends Sch.	1887	scientific lectures	M13/7
Clifford,Samuel		photographer	1875	Fingal visit	M13/5
Collis,Henry	1823-1892	teacher	1872, 1879	Furneaux Is.schoolmr,family.	M13/5,6
Craig,W.W.		Presb.tchr.m.Fanny Morris	1898	Officer Coll.cost,Fanny(Morris)	M13/9
Crouch,Ada			1907	photograph-England	M13/31(4)
Crouch,Thomas James	1805-1890	u-sheriff,Quaker	1832	litr.to fiancee Sarah Rothwell	M13/21
Denton,		Prof.	1882	Hobart visit	M13/7
Dickenson,Walter		photographer	1855	Hobart collctn.,collodion	M13/2
Duncan,		Fingal	1879	winding up estate	M13/6
Ewell,		Miss	1906	photograph-England	M13/31(5)
Fairey,F.C.B.		Rev.	1883	Voyage of 'Evangelist'-ref.(26/3/83	M13/7
Freer?		theatre propr.	1855	ref.	M13/1
Fuller,Edwin Charles	1858-1921		1906	letter-Morris	M13/30
Fysh,Philip Oakley	1835-1919	KCMG.politn.	1877	ref - Morris creditor	M13/5
Gandy,Howard		stationer,London	1909	letter,photo store	M13/30
Gardiner,Frank (Christie,Clarke)	1830-1903	bushranger	1862	ref	M13/3
Gill,Henry Horatio	1840-1914	newspaper owner	1883	Tasmanian News-ref (3/12/83)	M13/7
Graham,J		clergy,Methodt	1871	welcome program	M13/18
Hedburg,	1861	w.O.H.	1861	death	M13/3
Henry,Robert H	1839-1906	telegraph Supt.	1878-1879	electric telegraph, telephone	M13/6,7
Luckman,		merchant	1855-1864	account book	M13/33
Marsh,Henry James	1828-1897	ironmonger	1855	Morris worked for	M13/1,2
Marshall,Allan			1902	letter: church meeting	M13/30
Marshall,Mary Elizabeth	1855-1876	dr.J.Morris,w.Roger M.	1876	death	M13/5



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Mather,Robert Andrew	1815-1884	draper	1855	sponsor Morris family	M13/1
Matthews,Cephas	1844-1880	sea 1st officer	1881-1882	Lufra Chief Officer,widow & child	M13/7
Morris,Ada Rosina	1882-	dr.WKM	1905-1906	letters	M13/17,28
Morris,Ada Rosina	1884-	dr.WKM	1884	birth,progress (June-Sept 84)	M13/7
Morris,Albert John William	1873-	s.WKM	1881-1898	school,telegraph operator	M13/7,9
Morris,Celia Sarah	1876-	dr.WKM	1876-1906	birth,letters	M13/5,23
Morris,Edney Alfred	1857-	s.JM.	1881,1883	Swansea council ClerkPolice Supert.	M13/7
Morris,Emily J		niece WKM	1896	letter	M13/20
Morris,George	1842-1857	br,WKM	1855	letter fr.br.	M13/10
Morris,James	1830-1899	storekeeper	1855-1899	refs-WKM's ltrrs	M13/
Morris,Mary Louisa	1878-	dr.WKM	1905-1907	letters	M13/26
Morris,Percival	1870-1881	s.WKM	1872-1881	refs,death	M13/5,7
Morris,Robert James	1880-1963	booksr,s.WKM	1905-1907	correspondence-England	M13/14-16,22-29
Morris,Robert James	1880-1963	booksr,s.WKM	1890,1907	photograph	M13/31
Morris,Sarah Allard	1824-1864	sr.W.K.M.	1864	ill	M13/4
Morris,Sarah Rebecca	1841-	(Rothwell)w.WKM	1872-1906	refs,ltrrs,Sunday School	M13/5-9,15-20
Morris,Thomas	1800-1874	acct,shoemaker	1855-1874	refs.WKM's ltrrs	M13/
Morris,Thomas Rothwell	1872-	s.WKM	1872-1907	refs,school,letters	M13/5,7,22
Morris,William Knibb	1833-1912	storekeeper	1855-1912	letters	M13/
Mundy,Godfrey Charles	1804-1860	writer	1861	ref	M13/3
Palfreyman,Isaac Hardcastle	1835-	clergy,Ind.Metht.	1882	Morris-telephone	M13/7
Pepper,J.W.		draper,Ltn.	1879	lecture-electricity,to go England	M13/6,8
Reed,Elizabeth		photographer	1862	portraits-Lachlan tent	M13/3
Riise,Harold		photographer	1885	bankrupt,stock sold[Elite Studios]	M13/7
Rothwell,Martha		Quorn Hall	1880	parrot skins	M13/6
Rothwell,Sarah	1807-1876	m.TJ.Crouch	1832	letter	M13/21
Sandford,Daniel Fox	1831-1906	Angln.bishop	1883	arrival Hobart sept.1883	M13/7
Scheer,Frederick		mercht.London	1862	letter	M13/13
Seabrook,A.E.			1909	Foochan Mission School-blind girls	M13/30
Sidwell,Harry			1905	letter	M13/30
Smart,Thomas Christie	1816-1896	surgeon FRCS	1878	telephone experiments	M13/6
Stevens,Henry	1864-1884	s.MA(Morris) & H.S	1876-1884	visit,TB.death	M13/7,12
Stevens,Henry	-1897	m.MA.Morris	1875-1906	letters from WK.Morris	M13/12

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Susman,Leo	1832-1903	merchant	1878-1885	Morris refs	M13/6,7
Trollope,Anthony	1815-1882	novelist	1872	visit to Hobart	M13/5
Valentine,		storekeeper	1860	ref-Fingal,Gayndah	M13/3
Wade,William Richard	1802-1891	clergyman	1878	Morris ref	M13/6
Walch,Charles			1906	letter-Morris	M13/30
Wright,Morris L.			1909	letter	M13/30

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aborigines	Queensland	1860	corroboree,description	M13/3
armed forces	war S. Africa	1900	ref	M13/9
astronomy	Venus	1874	transit of Venus ref.(Nov)	M13/5,8
birds	cockatoo	1879	export	M13/6
birds	parrots	1879	skins	M13/6
botany	wattle	1855	yellow wattle blossom gathered	M13/1
Britain	Bournemouth	1906	views-letter card	M13/12
Britain		1905-1907	Robert Morris visit	M13/14-16,22-29
bush rangers	Gardiner	1862	gold robbery-Garner's gang	M13/3
clothes	hats	1855	white slouching hats-colonial	M13/1
Colebrook	railway	1877	accident	M13/6
duplicating	papyrograph	1876-1877	copying process	M13/5
earthquake	Tasmania	1883	NE.Tas.,Fingal	M13/7 (8/10/83)
education	Officer College	1898	Craig given up	M13/9
education	schools	1882	Govt.school-Morris children	M13/7
electric	pen	1879	Morris ref	M13/6
electricity	development	1878-1883	lecture,Exhibitions,lamps	M13/6,7
entertainment	theatre	1855	"low" theatre,Freer,Hobart	M13/1
Exhibition	London	1861	ref to exhibits-NSW	M13/3
exploration	Burke & Wills	1861	bad news,Queensland,aborigines	M13/3
Fingal	chapel	1872	Wesleyan chapel built	M13/5
Fingal	coal	1883	good seam	M13/7 (7/9/83)
Fingal	earthquake	1883	crcked ceiling	M13/7 (8/10/83)
Fingal	goldfields	1866	hopeful	M13/4,5
Fingal	hotel	1873	Highland Inn-for store	M13/5
Fingal	Morris	1864-1877	letter refs	M13/4,5
Fingal	SundaySchool	1877	presentation	M13/19
Fingal		1879	Duncan's estate	M13/6
Furneaux Islands	school	1872-1879	Collis sch.master	M13/5,6
gold	Fingal	1866	ref-hopeful	M13/4
gold	Mangana	1872	ref	M13/5
Governor	Tasmania	1874	Fingal visit	M13/5
health	hospital	1873	Melbourne,skin graft-A.Ashton	M13/5
health	illness	1855	smallpox	M13/1
health	illness	1876	measles	M13/5
health	illness	1879	rheumatic fever	M13/6
health	illness	1881	small pox-Sydney	M13/7
health	illness	1883-1884	TB-H.Stevens	M13/7
Hobart	Davey St.	18--	Lady Franklin gum photograph	M13/31(1)
Hobart	Photog. Society	1888	ref.	M13/7
Hobart	telephone	1883	Exchange opened	M13/7
holiday	public	1855	Queen's birthday strict holiday	M13/1
holidays	public	1883	Hobart-Queen's Birthday etc	M13/7
hotels	Fingal	1873	Highland Inn	M13/5
immigration	bounty	1855	WK.Morris-bounty tickets-ref	M13/1,2
Kents Islands	telephone	1883	lighthouse-house telephone	M13/7
Launceston	Museum	1879	Ackerman	M13/6
lighthouse	Kents Group	1883	telephone	M13/7
Mangana	gold	1872	ref	M13/5
microscope	lamps	1883		M13/7
money	coins	1855	shortage,tokens	M13/2

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New Norfolk	telephone	1879	Hbt.-Sandy Bay-NN telephone	M13/6
New South Wales	Forbes	1861-1862	Lachlan goldfields	M13/3
New South Wales	Gundagai	1862	South,Gasse & Co.Store	M13/3
New South Wales	Orange	1861	description	M13/3
New South Wales	Tumut	1862	telegraph,newspaper	M13/3
New Zealand	war	1866	ref	M13/4
newspapers	Aust.Graphic	1883	engravings by glass printing	M13/7 (3/12/83)
newspapers	Tas.News	1883	H.H.Gill started	M13/7 (3/12/83)
papyrograph	copying	1876-1877	copying process	M13/5
Parliament	elections	1872	Fingal	M13/5
phonograph	Melbourne	1890	ref	M13/7
photographer	Riise,Harold	1885	insolvent-stock sold	M13/7
photographs	gum tree	18--	Davey St.-Lady Franklin's	M13/31(1)
photographs	Morris family	1890-1906	R.J.Morris,T.R.Morris etc	M13/31
photography	camera	1890	"little"camera	M13/7
photography	Clifford	1875	Fingal visit	M13/5
photography	dry collodion	1882	dry plates imported	M13/7
photography	Jane Garman	1855		M13/11
photography	lantern slides	1888	Photographic Soc.	M13/7
photography	Mrs Reed	1862	Lachlan tent	M13/3
photography	Photo Soc.	1888	Hobart-lantern slides	M13/7
photography	process	1855	Morris:collodion,salt	M13/2
printing	papyrograph	1876-1877	copying process	M13/5
Queen	birthday	1855	strict holiday	M13/1,2
Queensland	Gayndah	1860-1861	description	M13/3
railways	branch lines	1883	Parliament	M13/7 (8/10/83)
railways	Tasmania	1877	Morris,Colebrook,accident	M13/6
railways		1872	proposed	M13/5
religion	revivalist	1884	preachers in Hobart	M13/7 (12/5/84)
religion	Wesleyan	1872	Fingal chapel built	M13/5
religion	Wesleyan	1871	welcome Rev.J.Graham	M13/18
Russia	war ship	1882-1885	electric light,fear of war	M13/7
Sandy Bay	telephone	1879	Hbt.-New Norfolk-S.Bay	M13/6
science	conversazione	1879		M13/6
sewing machine	"Friend"	1877	Morris	M13/6,19
ships & shipping	Aladin	1898	La Mutine Nelson capture	M13/9
ships & shipping	Boomerang	1855	Morris emigrant	M13/1,2,10
ships & shipping	Gothenberg	1876	steamer lost Darwin-Melbourne	M13/12
ships & shipping	La Mutine	1898	Nelson capd.-Aladin	M13/9
ships & shipping	log speed	1855	descn. log to measure speed	M13/10
ships & shipping	Lufra	1880-1881	Mate drowned	M13/7
ships & shipping	Oonah	1898	steamer electric light	M13/9
ships & shipping	Patena	1881	steamer-ref	M13/7
ships & shipping	steam	1883	Cape Clear London-Tas.steamer	M13/7 (7/9;5/11/8)
Swansea	landing waiter	1866	J.Morris apptd.	M13/4
Sydney	store	1860	Beamis store	M13/3
telegraph	electric	1861	Pizey mgr.Orange NNSW	M13/3
telegraph	helestaph	1881	signalling by light flashes	M13/7
telegraph	Mt.Nelson	1879	telephone connection	M13/6
telegraph	Tasmania	1872-1880	development	M13/5,6

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telegraph	undersea cable	1884	broken undersea cable	M13/7 (19/9/84)
telegraph		1872	Adelaide to Darwin	M13/5
telegraph		1876	single needle instrument	M13/5
telephone	connection	1879	Hbt.-New Norfolk-Sandy Bay	M13/6
telephone	experiments	1878-1883	smart,Morris,etc	M13/6,7
telephone	Hobart	1883	Exchange opened	M13/7
telescope		18--	notes on lenses	M13/18
trade & industry	coal	1883	Fingal	M13/7 (7/9/83)
trade & industry	coal mines	1874	Mt.Nicholas	M13/5
trade & industry	cotton	1862	market dull-American war	M13/13
trade & industry	draper	1855	Mather-Morris sr.employee	M13/1
trade & industry	ironmonger	1855	Marsh-Morris employee	M13/1,2
trade & industry	merchant	1855-1864	account book	M13/33
trade & industry	shoemaker	1855	J.&T.Morris	M13/1
trade & industry	tin mining	1880	James Morris	M13/6
trade & industry	tokens	1855	coin shortage	M13/2
trade & industry	printing	1883	pictures-glass engraving proces	M13/7 (3/12/83)
Victoria	Port Albert	1861,1864	Annie (Morris) Ashton	M13/3,4

**MORRIS FAMILY**

**Thomas MORRIS** m 1823 **Sarah ALLARD**  
 b. 11 Apr. 1800 Netteswell Cross, Essex b. 2 June 1803  
 d. 4 Dec. 1874, Mangana d. 20 Dec. 1876, Fingal

- 1 **Sarah Allard Morris**  
 b 12 Aug. 1824, Walhamstow,  
 d. 18 Nov. 1864, Leytonstone
- 2 **Mary Ann Morris** m 1859 **Henry Stevens** (1826-1897)  
 b.13 June 1826 Harlow, UK  
 d. 27 Apr. 1906, Southend, UK
- 3 **Thomas John Morris** m **Jane Garman** (1835-1906)  
 b. 4 Nov. 1828, Hackney, UK (photographer)
- 4 **James Morris** m 25/12/1851 **Elizabeth Bryant**  
 b 8 Oct. 1830, Loughton UK London  
 d 6 Dec. 1899, Swansea, Tas.
- 5 **William Knibb Morris** m 1869 **Sarah Rebecca Rothwell** (1841- )  
 b. 1 Mar. 1833, Loughton, UK dr.John Rothwell, and Sarah (Smith)  
 d 1912, Hobart
- 6 **Martha Morris** (3/4/1836-1/6/1836)
- 7 **John Rice Morris** (3/4/1836-19/7/1836)
- 8 **Anne Morris** m **John William Ashton** (d.28/10/1903)  
 b 20/5/1838 Loughton  
 d 26/11/1874 Port Albert, Vic.  
 Children: John William (b.8/2/1866), George Alfred (b.21/10/1867), Ada (b.3/11/1868),  
 stillborn baby (c 1864)
- 9 **George Morris**  
 b 1/7/1842 Loughton  
 d 13/10/1857

**Mary Ann Morris (1826-1906) m 30 Sep.1859 Henry STEVENS (1826-1897)**  
 Leytonstone and Southend, Co. Essex UK

- 1 Minnie (23/3/1861-15/1/1862)
- 2 Anne (12/2/1863- )
- 3 Henry (17/5/1864-17/3/1884, d. of TB. Hobart)
- 4 Alace
- 5 Ada m **Crouch**

**Thomas John MORRIS (1828- ) m 1859 Jane Garman (1835-7/6/1906)**  
 Leytonstone, Co. Essex and Stratfor (East London)

- 1 **Thomas William Garman Morris** (27/9/1860) m  
 Children: Ethel (b.Jan.1888), Roy Montague (b.Jul.1890), Gladys Helene (b.Feb 1892)
- 2 **William Henry Morris** (2/9/1862-26/2/1866)
- 3 **Emily Jane Morris** (23/3/1865- )
- 4 **Sarah Hygeia Morris** (1/6/1869- )
- 5 **Mary Ada Morris** (7/1/1874- )

**JAMES MORRIS (1830-1899) M 1851 ELIZABETH BRYANT ( -1892)**

Born Loughton, UK, married 25/12/1851, Bishopsgate, London, arr. Hobart 1853, settled Swansea, Tas. 1859.

- 1 Thomas **Morris** (4/11/1852-28/2/1854)  
(born Hacknbey, London, died Hobart)
- 2 William James **Morris** (25/12/1853- )
- 3 Mary Elizabeth **Morris** (13/7/1855-14/12/1876) m Roger **Marshall** (Bicheno)  
Daughter Muriel m. -- Gatehouse)
- 4 Edney Alfred **Morris** (18/4/1857-18/11/1918) m 1882 Sarah Wardlaw  
(Council Clerk, Swansea, Westbury, JP) (Riversdale, Swansea)
- 5 Charles Arthur **Morris** 21/7/1858-31/12/1901)
- 6 Fanny Jane Morris (2/3/1860- ) m 1887 Rev. W. W. Craig  
(Presbytn Minister, Principal Officer College 1888)
- 7 Francis **Morris**
- 8 Albert **Morris**
- 9 Sarah Morris
- 10 Ida Morris
- 11 Alexander **Morris** m  
(WA)

**WILLIAM KNIBB MORRIS (1833-1912) m 1869 SARAH REBECCA  
ROTHWELL (1841 - )**

- 1 Percival G. **Morris**  
b. 25/2/1870 Fingal, d. Oct. 1881 Hobart)
- 2 Thomas Rothwell **Morris**  
(b 29/3/1872, Fingal)
- 3 Albert John William **Morris** (7/12/1873- )
- 4 Celia Sarah Morris (27/3/1876- )
- 5 Mary Louisa Morris (17/8/1878- )
- 6 Robert James **Morris** (14/10/1880-1963)  
(bookseller, Hobart)
- 7 Ada Rosina Morris (21/6/1884- )