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Dear Brian,

Greetings from the Land 'down under'!
The delay in posting this information was caused by the delightful arrival of my 4th Grandson - and I totally gave over my time to cuddles + coo-ing as smitten-with-love Grandma's are wont to do.

The documents I've sent represent a fairly 'minor' research, but it's difficult to know what people want for their own family records. Some are satisfied to link up names + dates only; or to follow only a direct line when / once they have the names of their most distant ancestors. I like to know also about the ~~times~~ times in which these ancestors lived, their occupations; the reason they left their countries of origin + how they made their way to Australia - + of course, their lives thereafter.

If you would like more information, please feel free to ask - I love doing this sort of work! For example, there was another family of Turnbulls here very early in our history. They came free to the country + were landowners prior to arrival on the 'Coromandel' - There is a book on

the library shelf about this family. Are they 'yours', do you think?

I was going to write explanation of the material sent, but that may just serve to confuse, so I'll wait 'til you've 'digested' the information + perhaps you'll have questions that need answered that are relative to your needs for your family tree.

Though perhaps some information about Thomas Carter Reynolds would be OK -

William + Susan Reynolds [née Carter] came to Australia from Cornwall on the ship "Elizabeth" in 1849 with their 5 children - with another born on the ship. William was a Mason [worker in stone] and a plasterer. In Australia, he built a magnificent house for a landowner which is now a National Trust Home.

I am related through the eldest daughter Eliza, sister Thomas Carter Reynolds. She was my Great Grandmother. The name 'Carter' was the middle name for the boys of the family, + I think that the the girls also used it - though they were perhaps not christened with it to begin with.

The name - Thomas Carter Reynold - has continued down the line. The present day TCR is a Lawyer - rather Barrister. His father [now retired] was a member of Parliament in successive governments during 1970's + '80's.

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Curious to say, I had known Tom for years, even worked for his campaigns, but never knew we were related.

In 1983, the fires, known as Ash Wednesday fires, destroyed the town in which I lived. Our family became much involved in the rehabilitation of the area + Tom, being our local Government representative, was a constant source of support + information. No wonder we worked so well together — we shared the same genes!

But I have 'rattled on' — + you will want to ~~to~~ read your information!

It's a fascinating story, Brian — + there is a Canadian Connection too which you will be able to explore.

I too have a family connection with Canada through my Grandfather Robert Hansen, who was a Canadian citizen for 55 years. A very 'secretive' character — my father told me he was a spy — but that's another story!!

Best wishes to you + your family — so looking forward to hearing from you.

Morna.

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