

Peter Thomas BRANIGAN and Clara PETFORD
Chart 20-21

(Weblink Branigan Petford 1862 New Zealand)
(Weblink to Peter's parents to be created chart 40-41)
(Weblink to Clara's parents Petford Cassera 1839 England chart 42-43)

Peter Thomas BRANIGAN

B about 1834 England or Ireland
D 17 March 1875 Dunedin New Zealand
M 1st 13 October 1862 Wellington New Zealand

Clara PETFORD

B about 1842 England
D 14 November 1910 New Zealand
M 2nd 1878 Wellington New Zealand

Erick NIELSEN

B about 1850
D New Zealand

Children:

1. Peter Nicholas BRANIGAN born about 1865 Wellington New Zealand

The family history of
Peter Thomas BRANIGAN and Clara PETFORD

Peter Thomas BRANIGAN was born about 1834 in England
SEARCH (Reference FHC LDS parish records on microfiche)

Peter Thomas BRANIGAN came to New Zealand about 1857
Can not located any shipping records **SEARCH AGAIN** (Reference Archives NZ)

Clara PETFORD was born about 1841 St Lukes Middlesex England. Her parents were Merina Antene formerly CASSERA and John PETFORD.
SEARCH (Reference RGO UK birth registration 1841)

1851 Census 35 Ironmonger Road St Luke Findlay Middlesex England

- John PETFORD head married age 35 (born about 1816) occupation Brass Finisher born Birmingham England
- Marian Hannah PETFORD wife married age 27 (born about 1824) born Clerkenwell Middlesex
- **Clara PETFORD** daughter age 9 born Middlesex Islington
- Priscilla PETFORD daughter age 7 born Middlesex Islington
- Caroline PETFORD daughter age 5 born Middlesex St Lukes
- Mary Ann PETFORD daughter age 2 born Middlesex St Lukes

(Reference National Library of NZ Ancestry 1851 Census St Lukes Old Street city road ed 19 household 93 Middlesex England)

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Intention to Marry 13th October 1862 Wellington District

Peter BRANIGAN condition bachelor calling or profession Mariner aged 28 years dwelling place Wellington length of residence 5 years and Clara PETFORD spinster age 21 years dwelling place Wellington 5 years. Intention to Marry in St Peter's Church in Willis Street by the Rev Arthur Stock and others

(Reference Archives of NZ Wellington Intention to marry Agency BDM Series 20 Item 7 1862 page 180/70)

Peter BRANIGAN of full age Batchelor occupation Mariner married Clara PETFORD of full age spinster on 13 October 1862 at St Peters Church Wellington. The Officiating Minister was Arthur STOCK. The witnesses were Henry THOMPSON a Mariner of Wellington who made his X mark and Mary HOURLE of Wellington.

(Reference RGO NZ Marriage 1862 folio 0417 and web reg. 1862/1540 & web reg. 1862/259 Wellington District)

Wellington Independent 14 October 1862

MARRIED

At St Peter's Church Te Aro on the 13th inst. By the Rev Mr Stock, CLARA, eldest daughter of Mr PETFORD, to Mr. PETER BRANIGAN – all of Wellington

(Reference National Library NZ Papers past Wellington Independent 14 October 1862 volume XVII issue 1778 page 3)

Wellington Independent 13 November 1862

MARRIAGES

BRANIGAN-PETFORD – At St Peter's Church Te Aro on the 13th October by the Rev Mr Stock Mr Peter Branigan to Clara eldest daughter of Mr Petford – all of Wellington

(Reference National Library NZ Papers past Wellington Independent 13 November 1862 volume XVI issue 1791 page 2)

SEARCH Electoral Rolls Peter BRANIGAN 1862-1878

Return of Masters and Mates to whom Certificates of Service have been granted under "The Merchant Ships Officers" examination Act Amendment Act 1871 up to the 30th June 1873. Name = Peter BRANIGAN, Rank for which Certificate has been Granted = Mate, Class of Certificate = Home Trade, Date of Issue of Certificate = 4 April 1873, No of Certificate = 2,204

(Reference Archives of NZ Wellington Marine Department Report 1873 AJHR 1873 Section H19A page 9)

Peter BRANIGAN died about 1875 age 45 years (born about 1830)

SEARCH (Reference RGO NZ death registration 1875 folio and web reg. 1875/2952)

Evening Post 19 March 1875

DEATH

On the 17th inst. At Dunedin, Peter Branigan, late chief officer s.s. Sampson and late of Wellington.

(Reference National Library of NZ Papers Past Evening Post 19 March 1875 volume XL issue 17 page 2)

Intention to Marry 12 May 1878 Wellington district

Clara BRANIGAN formerly PETFORD widow occupation Dressmaker aged 34 years dwelling Wellington for 3 years and Erick NIELSEN bachelor occupation Farmer aged 28 years dwelled Wellington 3 days. Intend to Marry at St Peter Church Willis Street Wellington by Revble. Archd. STOCK.

(Reference Archives of NZ Wellington Intention to Marry Agency BDM Series 20 Item 23 page 1057? Wellington District)

Clara BRANIGAN formerly PETFORD married Erick NIELSON 1878

ORDER (Reference RGO NZ Marriage 1878 folio 1057 and web reg. Wellington district)

Erick NIELSON died 1895 age 43 years NZ (born about 1852)

SEARCH (Reference RGO NZ death registration and cemetery transcripts and newspapers

Evening Post 19 November 1910

DEATHS

BRANIGAN – On the 14 November, at Linwood Christchurch suddenly, Clara, relict of the late Captain Peter Thomas Branigan and beloved mother of P.N. Branigan, 22 Waterloo Avenue Newtown aged 68 years. Interred Linwood Cemetery 16th November. Her end was peace. Auckland papers please copy.

(Reference National Library of NZ Papers Past Evening Post 19 November 1910 volume LXXX issue 122 page 1)

Clara NELSON ex BRANIGAN formerly PETFORD died 1910

ORDER (Reference RGO NZ death registration 1910 folio and web reg. 1910/

SEARCH cemetery transcripts

Peter & Clara BRANIGAN their children and descendants

1- Peter Nicholas BRANIGAN born about 1865 Wellington NZ died 26 July 1937 Wellington NZ married 11 October 1889 Wellington NZ Eliza Ann RITSON refer chart 10-11

BRANIGAN & PETFORD miscellaneous information

NZSG First Family Collection

- FAMB00898 Peter BRANIGAN
- FAMR00206 Peter Thomas BRANGIAN

P BRANIGAN Date of Arrival 1879 Number 5093 Age 39 years (about 1840) Male Married Occupation Miner Country Ireland Accommodation STG Ship "Rotorua" Port of Departure Melbourne Australia Sate of Departure 31 December 1879 Port of Arrival Wellington Source PROV VPRS 948 LDS Film 0352112