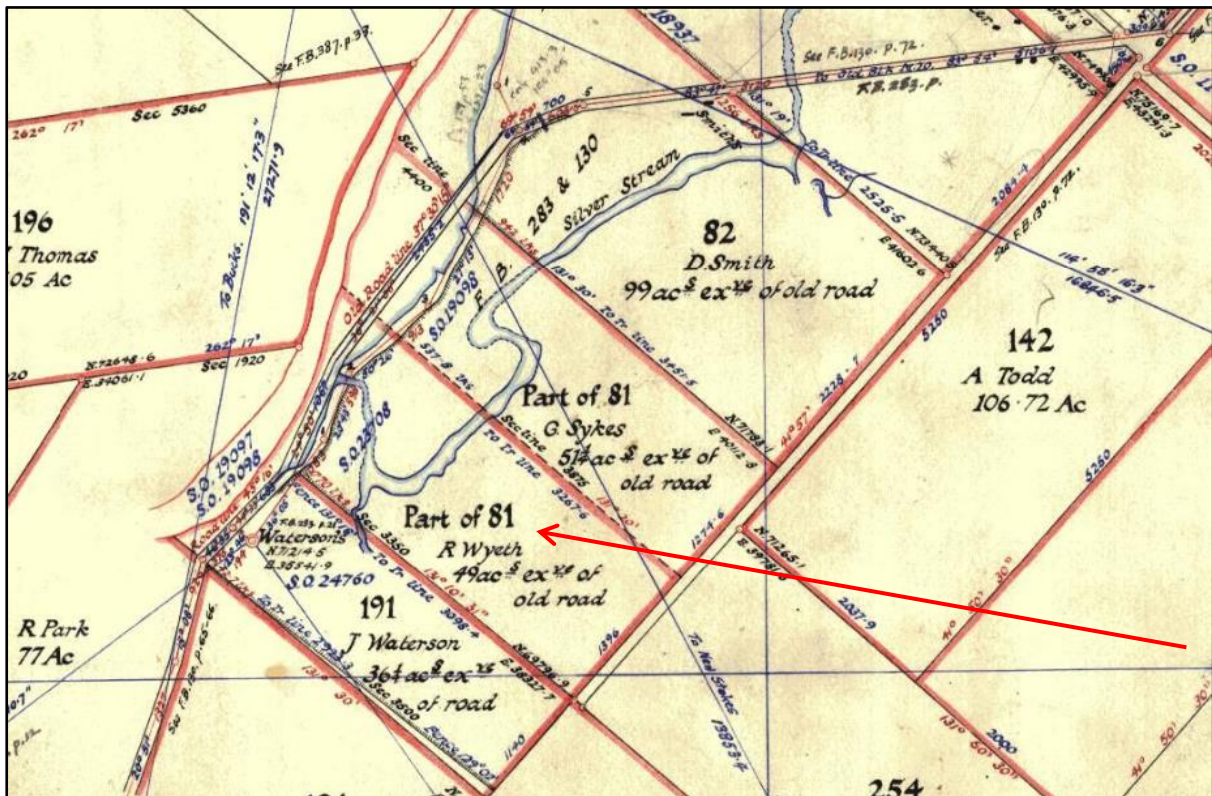


Barley Mow Inn / Hotel- Silverstream

Time line of the Barley Mow Inn

- 1849 50 acres on part Section No 81 was conveyed to Robert Wyeth
- 1851 Robert Wyeth received Crown Grant for Section No 81
- 1851 Robert Wyeth built the Barley Mow Inn on Section No 81 Silverstream
- 1851 Robert Wyeth applied for a Bush License for the Barley Mow Inn
- 1858 Major flooding in Silverstream destroying 3 cottages belonging to Robert Wyeth
- 1858 Thirteen (13) people residing in the 3 cottages drowned in the floods
- 1860 Barley Mow License granted to Robert Wyeth
- 1860 Robert Wyeth placed Barley Mow Inn and land for sale
- 1860 Charles Mudgway held license for Barley Mow Inn
- 1860 Charles Mudgway daughter Ellen accidently crushed by tree
- 1861 Barley Mow Inn closed (license never renewed)
- 1860s George Sykes purchases part Section No 81 from Robert Wyeth
- 1865 Robert Wyeth (Upper Hutt) daughter marries George Sykes (Stokes Valley) son
- 1869 The road bridge was washed away near the site of the old Barley Mow Inn
- 1874 George Sykes dies at Silverstream Upper Hutt
- 1903 Robert Wyeth dies in Masterton Wairarapa

The Barley Mow Inn was built by Robert WYETH around December 1851 on Section No 81 in Silverstream. The Inn was situated in the area below the former Silverstream hospital and Reynolds Bach Drive north on the Eastern Hutt Road leading to Silverstream. In those early years Silverstream was often known and recorded as Silver Stream. This area was also referred to Stokes Valley when it was actually Silverstream.



(Reference 1864MapUHSilverJGillardWNC_SO_10985_1_1.jpg)

Robert WYETH was born 1814 Jamaica. This is according to his obituary. Robert departed England 1839 on the ship "Cuba" and arrived 1840 to Port Nicholson. He was employed by the New Zealand Company as a surveyor's assistant. Jane departed 1839 England and arrived 1840 in Wellington on the ship "Duke of Roxburgh" with her parents Sarah Brent and William Runnalls. Robert met and married Jane RUNNALLS on 27 April 1840 in Wellington. Folklore says that their marriage was the first in the new settlement of the New Zealand Company. Robert and Jane settled in Wellington and later went on to have 12 children.

In the 1840s Robert was the shop keeper in Messrs Wyeth and Co Coffee and Eating House in Lambton Quay Wellington.

Information about Robert Wyeth and his family is located at the end of this document under the section "*People connected with Barley Mow Inn & Section No 81*".

New Zealand Spectator and Cook's Strait Guardian newspaper 10 February 1847
List of all persons qualified to serve as Jurors for the District of Port Nicholson for the year 1847 - Robert Wyeth Lambton Quay shopkeeper (plus various other names)
(Reference Papers past website New Zealand Spectator and Cook's Strait Guardian newspaper 10 February 1847 page 1)

On 14 November 1849 claim number 239 Conveyance was signed by Salvadore Cemino to Robert Wyeth a Wellington Storekeeper for fifty acres of Land part of Section 81 Upper Hutt. The remainder fifty acres of Section 81 was Conveyed to George Sykes a Wellington farmer.
(Reference Archives NZ Wellington [Claim No 239] ADXS 19552 LS-W62/4 196-248 Claims no date)

Wellington Independent newspaper 11, 18, 25 January 1851
On Sale 300 Bushels V D L Oats @ 4s. 6d. per bushel R Wyeth 3rd January 1851 – and - Saddle Horses for Sale – 5 Saddle Horses well broken 1 Gig and Harness nearly new – Robert Waitt [sic] Wellington 10 January 1851
(Reference Papers past newspaper Wellington Independent newspaper 11, 18, 25 January 1851 page 2)

Robert Wyeth purchased part of Section 81 being 50 acres in Silverstream. At the time Robert worked and resided in Lambton Quay in Wellington with his wife Jane and family and operated a Coffee House.

The Publican licenses for 1848 were the responsibility of Henry W Petre the Colonial Treasurer of the Treasury Office in Wellington. In 1849 the Publican licenses became the responsibility of Alfred Domett the Colonial Secretary of the Colonial Secretary Office in Wellington. In 1850 the Publican licenses became the responsibility of the Resident Magistrates Court in Wellington. The licenses were referred to as "*Bush Licenses*".

We the undersigned recommend the said Robert Wyeth as a fit and Proper Person to conduct and manage a Public House.

(Signatures)

George Moore JP – Robt Braithwaitt [sic] - W M Bannintine - William Lyon
(Reference Archives NZ Wellington R24518238 ACFP 8217 NM8 51[59] 1851/1607 Robert S Cheeseman Wellington 27 November 1851 Memorial for Amos Burr for Grant of land at Manawatu and for Robert Wyeth for Bush Licence and George Jeffs for Compensation for damages 1851-1852)

30 September 1851 – Robert WYETH Memorial for a Bush Licence Upper Hutt
To His Excellency Edward John Eyre Esquire Lieutenant Governor in and over the Southern Division of the Colony of New Zealand
The humble Memorial of Robert Wyeth of Lambton Quay Wellington in the Province of New Munster New Zealand Storekeeper
Sweth
That your Memorialist is desirous of Establishing a Public house situated upon the Section Number 81 in the Upper Hutt District a mority of which said section is a freehold Property of your Memorialist

*That your Memorialist will within three months from the date hereof erect a substantial building in order that the Public may obtain the usual accommodation of a Road side Inn
Your Memorialist refers your Excellency to the Merchants and Settlers who have attached their names to the recommendation hereunto annexed and Prays that a licence may be granted for the sale of Spirituous liquor win ale and beer agreeably to the Provisions of the amended Licensing Ordinance on such terms and conditions as your Excellency and the Council shall deem meet and should your Memorialist obtain a licence will enter unto the required recognizance and your Memorialist
As in duty bound will too Pray
Robert Wyeth (signature)*

30 September 1851

We the undersigned recommend the said Robert Wyeth as a fit and Proper Person to conduct and manage a Public house

George Moore JP

Braithwaitt [sic]

N M Bainnating

William Lyon

27 November 1851 Robert Wyeth Memorial for a Bush licence

27 November 1851 Wellington

Sir

I will thank you to lay the enclosed Memorial before His Excellency the Governor in Chief at your earliest convenience

I have the honour to be Sir

Your most obedient Servant

Robert Cheesman

The Humble the Colonial Secretary

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington R24518238 ACFP 8217 NM8 51 [59] 1851/1607 Robert S Cheesman Wellington 27November 1851 Memorial for Amos Burr for Grant of land at Manawatu and for Robert Wyeth for Bush licence and George Jeffs for Compensation for damages year 1851-1852)

There is a Tavern at the Taita "The Travellers Rest" within 4 miles on this side of the locality named on this Memorial and a Licensed Bush House (Brown's) about 4 miles in the further side thereof

Signed Henry Hill Wellington 08th December 1851

To be laid before the Executive Council

The Council recommend that no other Bush licence should be issued in the District (signed)

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington R24518238 ACFP 8217 NM8 51 [59] 1851/1607 Robert S Cheesman Wellington 27November 1851 Memorial for Amos Burr for Grant of land at Manawatu and for Robert Wyeth for Bush licence and George Jeffs for Compensation for damages year 1851-1852)

Robert's WYETH stated on his Bush licence application that he would erect a substantial building within three months so perhaps the Barley Mow Inn was established around December 1851.

Robert Wyeth



(Reference Google Images Geni website Robert Wyeth)

The Barley Mow may have been named after an old Irish/English drinking song

Here's good luck to the pint pot Good luck to the Barley Mow
Jolly good luck to the pint pot Good luck to the Barley Mow

Chorus

Oh the pint pot, half a pint, gill, half a gill, quarter gill, Nippikin and the brown bowl
Here's good luck, good luck, good luck to the barley mow

Now here's good luck to the half-gallon Good luck to the Barley Mow
Jolly good luck to the half-gallon Good luck to the Barley Mow

Chorus

Oh the half gallon, pint pot, half a pint, gill, half a gill, quarter gill, nipperkin and the brown bowl,
Here's good luck, good luck, good luck to the Barley Mow

Now here's good luck to the gallon Good luck to the Barley Mow
Jolly good luck to the gallon Good luck to the Barley Mow

Chorus

Oh the gallon, half gallon, pint pot, half a pint, gill, half a gill, quarter gill, nipperkin and the brown bowl,
Here's good luck, good luck, good luck to the Barley Mow

Now here's good luck to the half barrel Good luck to the Barley Mow
Jolly good luck to the half barrel Good luck to the Barley Mow

Chorus

Oh the half barrel, gallon, half gallon, pint pot, half a pint, gill, half a gill, quarter gill, nipperkin and the brown bowl,
Here's good luck, good luck, good luck to the Barley Mow

(With each verse another term is used and added to the chorus = barrel, daughter, land-lord, brewer, company)

Oh the company, brewer, land-lord, daughter, barrel, half barrel, gallon, half gallon, pint pot, half a pint, gill, half a gill, quarter gill, nipperkin and a brown bowl
Here's good luck, good luck, good luck to the barley mow

On 31 December 1851 Robert WYETH applied for the issue of a Crown Grant (776) on part section 81 in Upper Hutt. George SYKES also applied for a Crown Grant (777) on the other part of Section 81 on 19 December 1851.

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington ADXS 19559 LS-W67/3 claims 401-600 [claim 410 Robert Wyeth] Claims numbers December 1851 – June 1952)

The land description was - Robert WYETH Store Keeper Wellington situated in the Province of Wellington containing Fifty (50) acres more or less Being part of the Country Section number (81) Eight One on the Plan of the Upper Hutt District Bounded towards the North East by other part of the same Section Three Thousand eight hundred and seventy five 3875 Links Towards the North West by the River Hutt Towards the South West by Section Number One Hundred and ninety one Three Thousand three hundred and fifty 3350 Links and towards the South East by a Road One Thousand three hundred and seventy 1370 Links Excepting always such partition of the said Land as is comprised within the Public Road to Wairarapa passing through the said allotment.

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington AFIH W5687 22367 box 67 Crown Grant Record Book1 G (Lands & Deeds) 1852-1856 folio/page 181)

To make the song more interesting you can add the people's names that are with you. The challenge is remembering them in the order they are named. If not, a "penalty drink" is enforced. The object is to finish the entire pint within the song. The company is always the last verse.

(Reference Goggle search the Irish Rover and the Barley Mow Lyrics different website sites)

Robert's wife Jane and family moved to Upper Hutt and settled into the Barley Mow Inn.

In 1852 George SYKES was a farmer resident in the Upper Hutt district and his neighbour was Robert WYETH

(New Zealand Spectator and Cook's Strait Guardian 03 April 1852)

Information about George Sykes and his family is located at the end of this document under the section "People connected with Barley Mow Inn & Section No 81".

New Zealand Spectator and Cook's Strait Guardian newspaper 29 June & 02, 13 July 1853
To the Electors of the City of Wellington and of the Hutt District - Candidate for the Provincial Council – (large list of names) – R Wyeth

(Reference Papers past website New Zealand Spectator and Cook's Strait Guardian newspaper 13 July 1853 page 3)

In 1856 when Robert and Jane's daughter Elizabeth was born Robert's occupation was recorded as Innkeeper of Upper Hutt. In a mortgage deed dated 06 December 1856 it gave Robert's occupation as Licensed Victualler.

A Deed was made 09 December 1856 between Robert WYETH of Upper Hutt Licences Victualler and Salvatore CEMINO of Wellington Master Mariner for the sum of two hundred pounds by way of a loan.

(Reference Archives New Zealand Land Information Deeds LINDS room Deeds Records Book No 3 folio page Deed 130 date 09 December 1856 Mr Robert Wyeth to Salvador Cemino loan)

Wellington Independent newspaper 07 & 10 & 14 & 17 October 1857

Committee for the Hutt District – Robert Wyeth

(Reference Papers past website Wellington Independent newspaper 14 & 17 October 1857 page 2)

In 1858 the publican of the Barley Mow Inn was Robert Wyeth. On his property at Silver Stream Robert had various buildings including three dwellings that he rented to three different families.

In one dwelling there was Thomas and Sarah STANAWAY and their five children, Richard, Sarah, Jane, Fanny and Eliza.

In the second dwelling there was Charles and Mary Ann SOLLERS and their infant son Charles Samuel James.

In the third dwelling was James HAGAN and wife Charlotte (formerly DEW). They had a boarder Mr HARTLEY. Charlotte was expecting and when she was close to her confinement the nurse and midwife Mrs Sarah PRICE came to stay. A baby boy was born during the night of 17 and 18 January 1858.

On Sunday 17 January 1858 it began to rain heavily and the Hutt River rose resulting in flooding around the Silver Stream area.

On 18 January 1858 the three dwellings owned by Robert Wyeth were swept away in the floods and thirteen [13] members from these households drowned. Only James HAGAN and his boarder Mr HARTLEY survived.

Some other buildings on the property were also damaged including part of the Barley Mow Inn.

Later Robert WYETH took a mortgage on part section 81 with John Martin of Wellington Auctioneer on 18 October 1858 to repay Mr Cemino.

(Reference Archives New Zealand Land Information Deeds LINDS room Deeds Records Book No 3 folio page Deed 101 date 18 October 1858 Mr Robert Wyeth to Mr John Martin Mortgage)

Wellington Independent newspaper 08 December 1858

The following transfer of Publicans Licenses was granted upon the application of Mrs Jane Calder of the Rainbow Tavern Kai Wara WQara, Mr John Douglas Bengé of Freemason's Tavern

Lambton Quay and Mr Robert Wyeth of the Upper Hutt, whose late residence had been partially washed away by the recent floods at the Upper Hutt aforesaid.

(Reference Papers past website Wellington Independent newspaper 08 December 1858)

Wellington Independent newspaper Wednesday 20 January 1858

Disastrous Flood at the Hutt - 14 Lives Lost – It is our painful duty to chronicle the most disastrous flood which has ever yet occurred in the Valley of the Hutt, resulting in the loss of fourteen lives. On Sunday evening last it rained heavily and continued with little intermission during the whole of that night and Monday, accompanied with a strong wind from the N W. About daylight on Monday, the river began to rise, and at 5 o'clock had swollen sufficiently to flood the valley from Mungaroa Hill to below the Hutt Bridge. On no former occasion has the river risen so rapidly and occurring at an early hour, when the whole population were in bed, the loss occasioned by it has been heavier than it would have been had the settlers had time to make ordinary provision for the safety of themselves and property. The loss of life which distinguishes this flood from all former ones occurred in the neighbourhood of the Barley Mow a few miles beyond the Taita. The rapid rise of the flood induced the occupants of the several houses to make for the roof, and on the lower portions being carried away they were unfortunately drowned the course of the river preventing any help being afforded to them. One family named Stannaway, consisting of the man, woman, and five children were thus lost, the only survivor of the family being a young girl, living with Mrs Roy in another part of the valley. The other names we have heard are those of Mr and Mrs Price, Mrs Hagan (daughter of Mr Dew), and child, and three others whose names are unknown to us. Mr Hagan was fortunately rescued though much exhausted. Dr Buck the coroner, proceeded to the spot on Tuesday afternoon, and we will shortly learn fuller particulars. The road at the Gorge, is we hear, entirely carried away leaving the face of the rock bare, stopping all cart communication, between the Upper and Lower Valleys for some time. Nearer town the river has formed a new channel and swept away Butler's house besides damaging more or less several small bridges. The Hutt Bridge has fortunately sustained little injury, but the approach on the town side has been carried away some twenty feet. Corbett's public house is a complete wreck and has fallen into the river sideways, thus forming a temporary breakwater and preventing more serious damage to the roadway. The water is out on the Petoni [Petone] side as far as the bridge near to Cudby's, and on the other side has carried away the Waiwetu and Second River bridges. Almost everyone has suffered some injury to their fences, crops, or cattle. Mr Barton has we are told, lost about 300 sheep, Mr Mason a number of young stock, Mr Riddiford about 100 sheep, and various other settlers have met with similar losses, authentic particular of which have not yet reached us. Immediately on the news reaching town, steps were taken by the Government, to remove as much as possible the inconvenience which resulted from the stoppage of communication. Yesterday afternoon the bridleway was made passable for foot passengers, and we hope the vans will run to town as usual to-morrow morning. It will necessarily occupy some time before the communication with the Upper Hutt can be again resumed. No slips of any consequence have taken place on the Petoni [Petone] road, nor have we heard of any other than slight damage to the Ngahauranga line.

and

The Hutt - [From our Correspondent] - Hutt 10th January 1858 - On the East side of the Remutaka, some 20 slips have taken place and it will take fifty pounds to clear and repair the road to its former position. On the west side of the hill little injure is done, five pounds will reinstate it in its former position. The Pakaratahi river rose about 5 feet higher than it and been known to do upon any former occasion. Hodder's had great difficulty in saving their horses from being drowned. It will take fifty pounds to repair the damage done to the road between Hodder's and Collin's. Mr Collins has lost all his sheep and has found 53 carcasses. The river was ten, feel higher than he had ever known it before. Upon crossing the Mungaroa, the river had been 6 and 8 feet above the main line of road. Nearly opposite Petre's Saw Mill, the river has made new channels, and has swept whole fields of grain and potatoes away. On this side of the Mill the main road is blocked up with the wreck of houses and drift timber. The Maories were picking out their apparel and goods to dry. Some of the Pakeha's, whose dwellings were washed away, it is said, would have lost their lives had it not been for the Maories. From six to ten feet of water has been rushing over the road. Mr Barton has lost considerable number of sheep, all the Maori Pa's were well supplied with a number of sheep's carcasses. Near the silver stream the devastation

becomes more apparent, the fences are gone, huge pieces of timber lay across the road, the crops are borne down and at the East abutment of the Bridge is a log stretched across the road about six feet in diameter, but upon reaching Wyeth's, the force of the flood is marked, not only by the disappearance of dwellings but by the loss of life. The flood at the Silver Stream first rushes across the road in a South East direction and then rolls back to the river at Wyeth's, and such was the force of the flood that it carried away several dwellings belonging to Mr Wyeth and the inmates, who were drowned, to the number of 13. At 5 pm 7 bodies had been found and a Coroner's Inquest is to sit at 2 o'clock this day the 20th, upon their bodies. The following are the names given of those that are drowned. Mr Stannaway, wife and five children, Mr Charles Sillary, his wife and child, Mrs Hagin, and her new born infant, also Mrs Price the nurse, a person named Hartley, succeeded in swimming a tree and saved his life by hanging to the tree about 14 hours. The bodies found are Mr Sillary, wife and child, Mrs Hagin (Mr Dew's daughter), Mrs Price, with the infant in her arms, only born at six o'clock the same morning, and one of Mr Stannaway's little girls, about six or seven years old, six of Mr Stannaway's family are not yet found. Four of the bodies are at Blade's, the Traveller's rest and three at Mr Dew's. No lives were lost at the lower Hutt, but considerable damage has been done to property. The Aglionby Arms is tipped endways into the river, and the river has found a new course near Buckridge public house. The Hutt Bridge stands but the Waiwetū is carried from the piles and swept away. (Reference Papers past website Wellington Independent newspaper 20 January 1858 page 3)

Wellington Independent newspaper 08 December 1858

Residence Magistrates Court 04 December 1858 - The following transfer of Publicans Licenses was granted upon the application of (various people) and Mr Robert Wyeth of Upper Hutt whose late residence had been partially washed away by the recent flood at the Upper Hutt aforesaid. (Reference Papers past website Wellington Independent newspaper 08 December 1858 page 3)

Robert WYETH Upper Hutt Licenced Victualler Conveyed to George CRAWFORD Wellington Merchant to put the land up for sale Public Auction 03 November 1859 – George Crawford was the highest bidder (£310) land of 50 acres part Section 81 on plan of Upper Hutt District and all message or tenement and other buildings thereon.

(Reference Archives New Zealand Land Information Deeds LINDS room Deeds Records Book No 5 folio page Deed 109 date 20 December 1859 S Cemino & Robt. Wyeth to Mr Geo Crawford Conveyance)

Between George CRAWFORD of Wellington Merchant and George SYKES of Hutt District Settler sum of £190 for piece of land containing 50 acres Section 81 on plan of Hutt district the said George Crawford became entitled by virtue of Deed dated 20 December 1859 made between Salvatore Cemino and Robert Wyeth register number 1959.

(Reference Archives New Zealand Land Information Deeds LINDS room Deeds Records Book No 16 folio page 722 date 21 October 1868 Crawford to Sykes)

Wellington Independent newspaper 06 May 1859

Electoral District of the Hutt – The following persons are objected to as not being entitled to have their names retained on the List of Voters for the Electoral District of the Hutt – (various names and details) – Robert Wyeth Lambton Quay Household Hutt district No qualification as described having removed from the house for which qualification was claimed.

(Reference Papers past website Wellington Independent newspaper 06 May 1859 page 8)

Wellington Independent newspaper 06, 20, 23, 27 March & 06 April 1860

To be let or sold – The public house known by the sign of the Barley Mow situated in Stokes Valley Hutt. The house contains ten rooms with garden attached. There is Stabling for six horses, Cow sheds, Stock yards and other Out buildings. There are about 45 acres of land divided into Paddocks and mostly laid down with artificial grasses. For further particulars apply to.

R Wyeth on the premises or to S Cemino Storekeeper Molesworth Street 06 March 1860

(Reference Papers past website Wellington Independent newspaper 06, 20, 23, 27 March & 06 April 1860)

The Barley Mow was situated in Silverstream district not Stokes Valley but in the early years

Wellington Independent newspaper 06 20 23 27 30 March & 06 April 1860

TO BE LET OR SOLD.

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THE PUBLIC HOUSE known by the sign of the **"BARLEY MOW,"** situated in Stokes' Valley, Hutt. The House contains ten rooms, with Garden attached. There is Stabling for six horses, Cow Sheds, Stock Yard, and other Out-Buildings. There are about 45 acres of Land divided into Paddocks, & mostly laid down with artificial grasses. For further particulars apply to

R. WYETH,
On the Premises, or to
S. CEMINO,
Storekeeper, Molesworth-street.
March 6, 1860.

(Reference Paper past website Wellington Independent newspaper 06 March 1860)

Wellington Independent newspaper 20 April 1860

Resident Magistrates Court – Tuesday 17th April 1860

This being the General Annual Licensing day the following Licenses were granted (various hotels and proprietors)

Robert Wyeth Hutt Barley Mow

Wednesday 18th April 1860 (various names and proprietors)

Thomas Poads application for his house at the Hutt known as the Farriers Arms, also Michael George Brown, of the Criterion Hotel.

(Reference Papers past website Wellington Independent newspaper 20 April 1860 page 3)

In April 1860 Robert WYETH advertised the Barley Mow and his property for sale.

In April & May 1860 Robert WYETH was granted and renewed the publican's license for the Barley Mow Inn.

Wellington Independent newspaper 01 May 1860

Publicans Licenses - March being the General Annual Licensing month the following Licenses have been granted – (plus various other publicans and hotels) including

George Buck Taita Travellers Rest

Robert Buckridge Hutt Albion

Robert Jillet Hutt Whitewood's Hotel

John McHardie Hutt Highland Home

Robert Wyeth Barley Mow

John Blutchford Hutt Aglionby Arms

(Reference Papers past website Wellington Independent newspaper 01 May 1860 page 5)

Around the 30 April 1860 Charles MUDGWAY was recorded as the proprietor of the Barley Mow Inn but by December 1860 he was the proprietor of the "Farriers Arms".

The Barley Mow Inn name was not changed to the Farriers Arms. The Barley Mow Inn and the Farriers Arms were both operating in December 1860.

Ellen Mudgeway Barley Mow Upper Hutt 30 April 1860

Province of Wellington District Hutt to Wit

An Inquisition Indexed taken for our Sovereign Lady Queen Victoria before the me Mark Kebbell Coroner for the said Province and district of Wellington at the House of one **Charles Mudgeway** known by the sign of **Barley Mow** and situated in the district of the Hutt in the Province of Wellington in the district and Province aforesaid on the 30th day of April In the year of our lord One thousand Eight hundred and Sixty and the twenty third of her Majesties Reign on view of the body of Ellen Mudgeway then and there lying dead upon the oaths of Robert Robinson foreman, John Daysh, James Bennett, James Hosil, George Busk, William Harwood, William Sparks, John Leverton, Peter Krather, Matthew Hamilton, Matthew Gaskin, George Spackman good and lawful men of the said province and district of Wellington and who being then and there duly sworn do upon their oaths say that the said Ellen Mudgeway came by her death by the accidental falling of a tree

-In witness whereof the said Jurors as well as the said Coroner have hereunto subscribed their names the day and year first hereinbefore – Robert Robinson foreman – George Spackman – James Bennett – Matthew Hamilton – Peter Trotier [sic] – John Lanenton – Williams his X mark Sparks witness T Braggins & Mark Kebbell – William Harwood – James Hosie – George Buck - John Daysh – Marks Kebbell Coroner for the district of Wellington

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington1861 J1 13 X 1861/258-268 – Coroner Wellington Inquest proceedings on John Thomas Canty – James Clement – Benjamin Ingram – Manihera – Renfrie Thomas Arundel – Infant child of Edward and Jane Henn – William Martin – Ellen Mudgeway / Mudgway (DJ61/261) – Robert Renall – Sarah Ann Walker)

Information of Witnesses taken touching on the death of Ellen Mudgeway

To whit Information of witnesses taken this the 30th day of April in the district of the Hutt at the dwelling house of **Charles Mudgeway** known by the sign of the **Barley Mow** in the said district before Mark Kebbell coroner for the district of Wellington touching the death of Ellen Mudgeway.

-Richard Mudgeway being sworn states that he is the brother to the deceased Ellen Mudgeway states he was in the Bush and his sister the deceased bought him his dinner and she and he and another sister commenced cross cutting a log together when the tree fell on my sister Ellen and crushed her and I ran for my father I called to my sister Ellen to come towards me as she was running towards me the tree fell upon her - his X mark (witness Mark Hebbel)

-Charles Mudgeway being duly sworn father of the deceased Ellen Mudgeway I was in the bush splitting rails on Saturday with my son Richd. I came out to my dinner when my son and daughter told me that the tree had fell on the deceased I ran directly to the spot I found her between two trees I took and lifted one tree off and released her I took her up and was carrying her home to my house which was a distance of about one mile and half when we was met by Mr Wyeth and my son I was so much overcome I could not get on any further I sent Mr Wyeth into the road to get assistance I sat a long time with the child in my lap until some roadmen came and carried the child home before the deceased reached home the Doctor was waiting at my house I am sure the deceased was dead when I first discovered her and the Doctor states the Childs neck was dislocated – C Mudgway

-All the above information were severally taken and acknowledged this day year and place reported above mentioned before Mark Kebbell Coroner

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington1861 J1 13 X 1861/258-268 – Coroner Wellington Inquest proceedings on John Thomas Canty – James Clement – Benjamin Ingram – Manihera – Renfrie Thomas Arundel – Infant child of Edward and Jane Henn – William Martin – Ellen Mudgeway / Mudgway (DJ61/261) – Robert Renall – Sarah Ann Walker)

The inquest of James Clement on 07 December 1860 in the dwelling house of Charles Mudgeway known by the sign of the “Farriers Arms” in the Hutt district.

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington1861 J1 13 X 1861/258-268 – Coroner Wellington Inquest proceedings on John Thomas Canty – James Clement – Benjamin Ingram – Manihera – Renfrie Thomas Arundel – Infant child of Edward and Jane Henn – William Martin – Ellen Mudgeway / Mudgway (DJ61/261) – Robert Renall – Sarah Ann Walker)

Information about Charles Mudgway and his family is located at the end of this document under the section “*People connected with Barley Mow Inn & Section No 81*”.

The Barley Mow Inn in Silverstream was closed by 1861. No application to renew the hotel license was receive after 1860 by Robert Wyeth or Charles Mudgway.

I have continued to research for information about the Barley Mow, the owners and occupiers of Section No 81. Hopefully with additional information it will assist in locating exactly where the Barley Inn once stood on Section No 81 in Silverstream Upper Hutt.

Wellington Independent newspaper 17 October 1865

Married – Sykes – Wyeth – On the 8th October at St James' Church Lower Hutt by the Rev J E Herring, Isaac eldest son of Mr George Sykes Stokes Valley to Maria Ann eldest daughter of Mr Robert Wyeth Upper Hutt

(Reference Papers past website Wellington Independent newspaper 17 October 1865)

By 1869 there was another flood in Upper Hutt near the site of the old Barley Mow Inn (newspaper quote) and a bridge at Silver stream was washed away. Many years later this newspaper article was often miss quoted and stated that the Inn was washed away in the 1858 floods.

Wellington Independent 02 November 1869

At the Upper Hutt the Silverstream became a torrent and a bridge over the stream near the site of the old Barley Mow Inn being also carried away by the resistless force of the current. Mr Smith's house was completely surrounded by water. The Wairarapa coach had stopped there to change horses and to permit the passengers to take refreshments but so rapid was the rise of the water that by the time Mr Heik the driver was ready to start the bridge was gone and the travellers after being detained for twenty four hours could not resume their journey without the aid of a canoe leaving the coach and mails behind. Their imprisonment however was made tolerable by the kindness of Mr and Mrs Smith.

The road in this part of the valley has been in many places destroyed and at the Gorges a slip said to be over fifty yards in length has completely blocked up the main road which compels persons to go round the hill and so by the track come on to the road near Mr Cotter's farm.

(Reference Papers past website Wellington Independent 02 November 1869 & New Zealand Herald 08 November & Nelson Examiner and New Zealand Chronicle 20 November 1869)

Wairarapa Mercury newspaper 11 March 1871

The effects of last week's rains – (other details not transcribed) The Gorges were not affected by the storm. The next obstruction is near the Silverstream a large portion of the road is carried away, but the traffic is carried through Mr Sykes paddock for a few chains.

(Reference Papers past website the Wairarapa Mercury newspaper 11 March 1871)

Government Notices.



Provincial Secretary's Office,
July 18th, 1871.

TENDERS will be received at the above office on or before **FRIDAY**, the 28th instant, for the supply of **FIVE HUNDRED MANUKA FASCINES**, each fascine to be 10 feet long and 1 foot 6 inches through, and bound together with three bands of supplejack or other vines; also, **FIFTEEN HUNDRED TOTARA STAKES**, 5 feet long, 4 inches thick. The whole to be delivered (within fourteen days from the acceptance of the tenders) on the road near Mr **Sykes'** paddock, Silver Stream.

HENRY BUNNY,
Provincial Secretary.

(Reference Papers past website Wellington Independent newspaper 19 July 1871)

Wellington Independent newspaper 01 May 1872

During the autumn floods last year the Hutt River completely washed away the road near Mr Smith's Silver Stream. It was necessary to purchase from Mr Sykes and Mrs Smith a portion of land in order to make a deviation the price was fixed by two arbitrators one on behalf of the Government and the other for the above named parties, the award was equal to or approximately £140.

(Reference Papers past website Wellington Independent newspaper 01 May 1872)

New Zealand Times newspaper 12 to 16 September 1874

To Let Section 81 Upper Hutt (property of the late George Sykes) for a term of seven years with a right of renewal for another term. There are about forty acres all in grass and fenced. There are thirteen milk cows that can be taken with the property

For particulars apply to – John Leverton Taita Trustee

(Reference Paper past website New Zealand Times newspaper 12 to 16 September 1874)

When George's widow Jane SYKES died in 1893 all of his estate were put up for public auction including Section No 81. All that Valuable Farm being sections Nos 81, 192 193, and 195a Hutt District, containing 362 acres and known as in the occupation of Mr James Walsh.

(Reference Paper past website Evening Post newspaper 07 December 1893)

Information about James Walsh and his family is located at the end of this document under the section "*People connected with Barley Mow Inn & Section No 81*".

Wairarapa Daily Times newspaper 16 July 1903

The late Mr Wyeth later on went to the Upper Hutt, where besides taking up land and engaging in farming, he established a blacksmith's shop, as well as building several houses. In the Hutt he remained twelve years, but lost his all in the memorable flood of 1858. He retired to rest in the evening a comparatively rich man, only to awake in the morning absolutely ruined. At this time he returned to Wellington, and subsequently settled in Masterton thirty years ago, retiring from business ten years ago.

(Reference Papers past website Wairarapa Daily Times newspaper 16 July 1903)

1931 - Evening Post newspaper Thursday 30 April 1931

Ye Wayside Inn - Vanished Hotels - Water Replaces Whisky

Recent and old time flooding in the Hutt Valley was the subject of an interview recently in "The Evening Post" with Mr A J McCurdy who incidentally called to mind that the site of the old Barley Mow Hotel Silverstream is now monopolised by the Hutt River. And that observation prompted other memories. Mr McCurdy stated that in the old days of Wellington to Wairarapa traffic, via Hutt Valley, the chain of hotels in the valley, from north to south, was:

Golden Fleece Mrs Wagg, on rise where the main road runs down to the Pakuratahi River, on right hand side of road looking south. The site can still be traced, through cellar pit and remains of foundations. The hotel is mentioned by the Greytown pioneers, who mention it as the last hotel before crossing Rimutaka divide in 1853.

Mungaroa Hotel Mrs Collins, near where the Mungaroa tributary of the Hutt crosses the main road.

Upper Hutt Eighty Years Ago

Shepherd's Rest James Brown (senior), Upper Hutt. Mr McCurdy remarked that Mr James Brown was late father of the late Mr George Brown, of Upper Hutt, Hutt county councillor. Mr Brown and his hotel and Upper Hutt are also mentioned in the Greytown records of 1853. The hotel was situated in Upper Hutt on the left hand side of the road, looking south, and the site is now occupied by Mr. Cotter's plumbing premises. The hotel was afterwards known as the Criterion Hotel

Highland Home S McHardy on main road at Wallaceville near the site of the "Old Blockhouse". The "Old Blockhouse", with its loop holes, is still standing, and a signboard on the main road directs sightseers to this relic of Maori War scares.

Barley Mow Mr Wyeth (senior), the site of which one-time hotel is surveyed, consciously or unconsciously, by every railway passenger who looks upriver as the train swings over Silverstream railway bridge. This hotel used to be on the left hand side of the road looking south,

and the river used to flow west of the hotel and the road. In its eastward swing the river has taken the place of both hotel and road, and the latter was moved eastward to its present location. Moving the road, said Mr McCurdy, simply meant laying out a deviation through the paddocks to the east, and it was done so quickly that they discovered years afterward that the road site at this point had, never been properly conveyed.

Traveller's Rest, Mr Taita, left side of main road looking south. After that the Lower Hutt hotels awaited the thirsty coach traveller.

A Victorious River.

"If anyone wishes to locate the Barley Mow site more exactly, added Mr McCurdy, all he has to do is to look up river as he crosses Silverstream railway, bridge, and he will see, a few yards upstream, one little willow tree close to the river channel, but west of it, and quite distinct from the row of willows east of it. This willow springs from an old stump that used to flourish as a tree in the yard of the Barley Mow. The willow was east of the Hutt River until the river decided otherwise. It will be seen that on the western side there is still a channel in which the Hutt flows when in flood. That channel crosses the toe of a moraine or fan of material carried down from the western hills. On this fan used to be a whare, it has gone where a Hutt flood took it. Another whare, further east, was also carried away by flood.

It may also be of interest to know that the above mentioned Highland Home Hotel, Wallaceville, was afterwards called the Railway Hotel. The railway was being built at the time and it was thought that Wallaceville would be the principal station. But the late Hutt County, councillor, George Brown, gave the Department of Railways 28 acres of land at Upper Hutt adjacent to the Rhodes estate, and Upper Hutt became the principal station. Land for railway purposes at Silverstream was given by Mr Todd, and that fact helped to secure a station there.

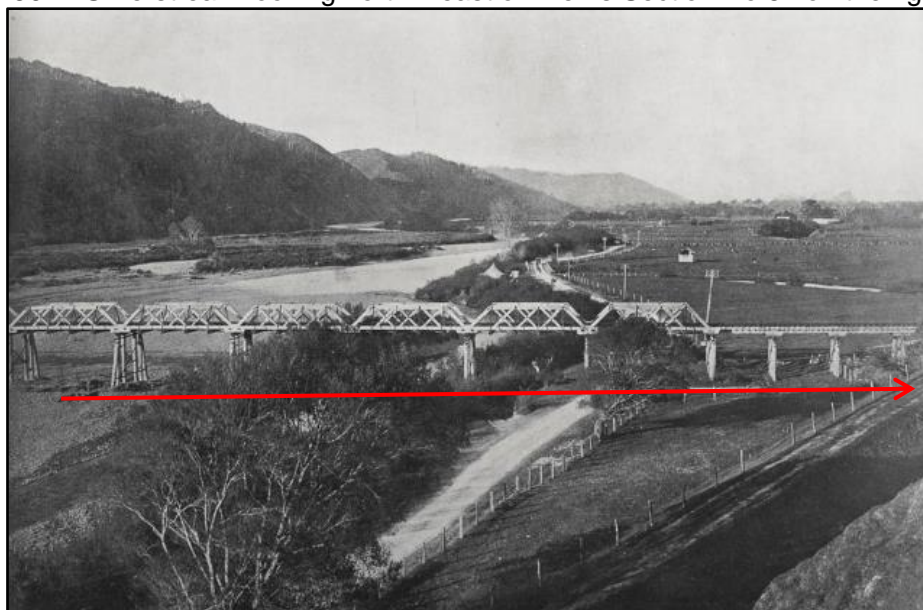
Canoeing In Upper Hutt

"Talking about big floods in the past, would it surprise you to know that on one occasion the Maoris of Maori Bank (no Maoris there now) came to the Upper Hutt sale yards site in a canoe.

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 30 April 1931 page 9)

Images associated with Section No 81 Silverstream

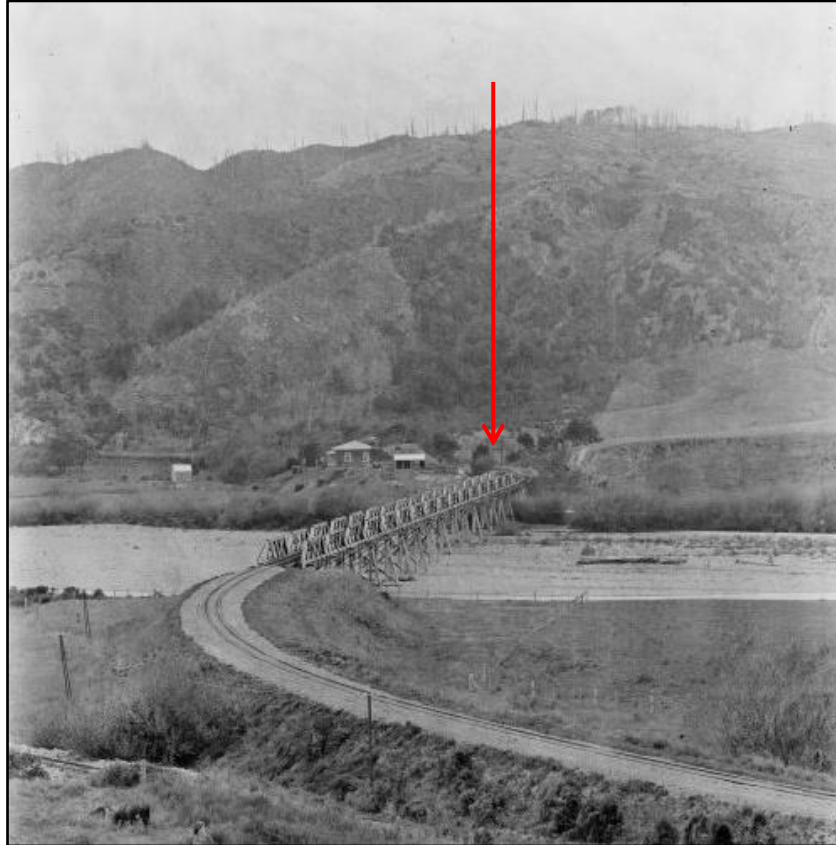
1907 - Silverstream looking north – east of river is Section No 81 on the right



(Reference Digital NZ Auckland Council Library 17 October 1907 AWNS-19071017-2-2)

In the Hutt Valley near Wellington NZ view looking up the Valley showing the Silverstream Railway Bridge. The photographer was S C Smith date 17 October 1907 date period 1900-1909.

1908 Houses on Section 81 – Over the Railway Bridge Silverstream



(Reference Digital NZ National Library of NZ A P Golder 1908 APG-2003-1/2-G)

The railway bridge over the Hutt River near Silverstream – 1908 photographed by Albert Percy Godber.

1915 Map of Manoeuvre Area - Neighbourhood of Trentham Camp Wellington 1915



(Reference 1915 Map of Manoeuvre Area Neighbourhood of Trentham Camp Wellington saved IMG_3002)

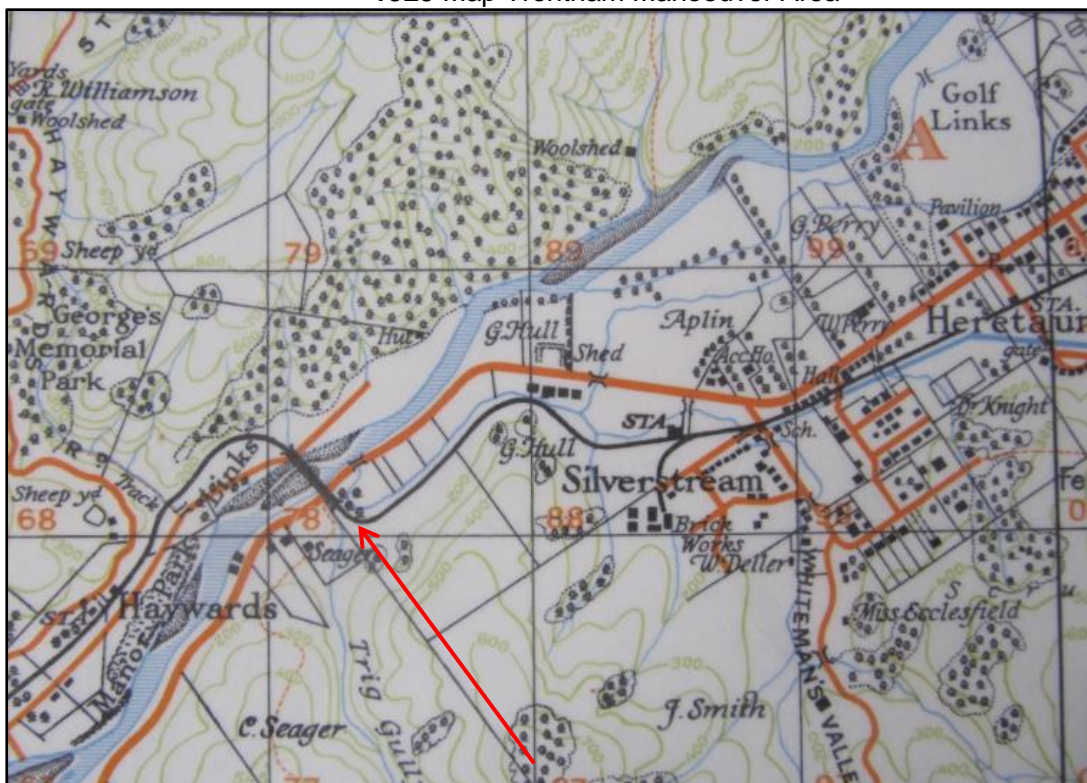
1921 – Train rounding bend near section no 81 at Silverstream



(Reference Digital NZ National Library of NZ 1921 APG-0777-1/2-G)

Train rounding a bend after crossing the railway bridge over the Hutt River near Silverstream. The photograph was taken by Albert Percy Godler circa 1921.

1929 Map Trentham Manoeuver Area



(Reference 1929 Map Trentham Manoeuver Area saved as IMG-2998)

1955 – Silverstream Hospital on Section No 192 next to Section No 81



(Reference Digital NZ National Library 1955 EP/1955/2468=F)

1955 Silverstream Hospital situated near Section 81. The photograph was taken by Evening Post newspaper staff photographer.

Barley Mow Inn Miscellaneous Information

I located information about another three (3) hotels with the same sign of the “Barley Mow”.

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Nelson Examiner and New Zealand Chronicle newspaper 26 April 1851

Publicans Licenses – At the General Licensing Meeting on the 15th instant the following licenses were granted - T Smith Barley Mow, Waimea road (on the Race Course) – plus various other publicans recorded.

(Reference Papers past website Nelson Examiner and New Zealand Chronicle newspaper 26 April 1851 page 38)

[2]

Otago Daily Times newspaper 16 May 1862

Families and Gentlemen visiting Sydney wishing for a comfortable home will find every accommodation at the Barley Mow Hotel Corner of Park and Castlereagh Streets – Being near the race course makes it very healthy. David MOSES.

(Reference Papers past website Otago Daily Times newspaper 16 May 1862 page 6)

[3]

Lyttleton Times newspaper 30 July 1867

Lost - A Tree-slide Telescope on the night of the 24th of July, near the Irwell Bridge. The finder will be rewarded on returning the same to John's Barley Mow or to G B Woodman.

(Reference Papers past website Lyttleton Times newspaper 30 July 1867 page 1)

People associated with the Barley Mow Inn

Robert and Jane WYETH

0- Robert Wyeth born 14 October 1814 Jamaica died 1903 Masterton New Zealand married 1840 Wellington New Zealand **Jane RUNALLS** born about 1816 place unknown died 30 July 1886 Masterton New Zealand

Robert and Jane WYETH had 12 children all born in New Zealand. For additional information about the Wyeth family please refer to the “*Upper Hutt Settlers and Citizens*” section of the website and click on “*UHFWyethRunalls.pdf*”.

Robert Wyeth with eight of his children



(Reference Goggle Images Wairarapa Times newspaper by Emily Norman 28 July 2015)

Charles and Frances MUDGWAY

0- Charles MUDGWAY born 1821 Boughton Malherbe Kent England died 01 October 1898 Porirua New Zealand married 10 August 1846 St James Church Lower Hutt New Zealand **Frances SUNNEX** born 1826 England died 23 June 1887 Wellington New Zealand

Charles and Frances MUDGWAY had 14 children all born in New Zealand. For additional information about the Mudgway family please refer to the “*Upper Hutt Settlers and Citizens*” section of the website and click on “*UHF MudgwayWilson.pdf*”.
