

## Hann Family Archive

The Hann family came to North Queensland from Mannus Station in Victoria. This collection of diaries covers the last year at Mannus as well as the pioneering days at Bluff Downs Station (Qld) and, from 1870, at Maryvale Station (Qld). In 1872 William Hann was given charge of a well-organised official party to explore the interior of Cape York Peninsula. The records of the 1872 William Hann expedition that went as far as Princess Charlotte Bay are included in the collection.

*Archive Location: 122L - 122R*

### Detailed Listing

#### *H/1-H/17 Diaries*

H/1 17 August 1860 - 27 July 1861, kept by William Hann at Mannus Station, Victoria. Accounts at the back of the diary. 4p. Mss Transcribed version (2).

H/2 1 January 1862 - 30 December 1862 (gap between 28 May - 24 November). "Letts's Diary or Bills Due Book and an Almanack for 1862." Joseph Hann, William Hann, John Hann. Inspection and selection on Bluff Downs and Maryvale. Kept by Joseph Hann. Mss. Transcribed version (2).

H/3 The dates in this diary have been altered, 1 January - 22 July contains entries for 1863, 24 July - 31 December contains entries for 1862. Notes in front of diary. 6p. "Letts's Diary or Bills Due Book and an Almanack for 1862." The diary covers the purchase of cattle from Clapperton, Nanango District. 1,800 mixed cattle start north. 1863 Master Joseph Hann and family arrive at Red Bluff. Richard Daintree arrives at Red Bluff. Kept by Joseph Hann. Mss. Transcribed version (2).

H/4 22 July 1863 - 5 December 1863. Improved Patent Metallic book. Accounts at beginning of book. 2p. Handwritten contracts between Joseph Hann and employees and sundry accounts at back of book. 18p. Contains: Agreement boundary between Red Bluff and Hillgrove. Sheep from Yeates Inkerman to Red Bluff. Kept by Joseph Hann. Mss. Transcribed version (2).

H/5 26 August 1863 - 5 September 1863. 17 September 1863 - 22 September 1863. Back of diary: 25 January 1864 - 5 February 1864, contains sundry accounts and records of sheep shorn between September and October. Bluff Downs to Port Denison, obtained sheep near Inkerman from G. B. Yeates, S. Yeates and A. S. Williamson. Lodged application for Lolworth. Return Bluff Downs. To Port Denison via Lolworth and Southside Lava Wall. Build year, shear sheep near Inkerman. To Melbourne. Kept by William Hann. Mss. Transcribed version (2).

H/6 1 January 1864 - 23 December 1864. 1 January 1865. "Letts's Diary or Bills Due Book and an Almanack for 1864." Accounts at beginning of diary. 5p. Buys sheep Darling Downs. Joseph Hann drowned 3 January 1864. Mrs Joseph Hann died at Bluff Downs 24 June 1864. Miss Caroline Hann married to Edward Cunningham 5 April 1865. Kept by William Hann. Mss. Transcribed version (2).

H/7 12 February 1866 - 1 December 1866. "Letts's Diary or Bills Due Book and an Almanack for 1866." Sundry accounts at beginning of diary. 10p. Sundry accounts at back of diary. 17p. Kept by William Hann. Mss. Transcribed version (2).

H/8 1 January 1870 - 31 December 1870. "Letts's Rough Diary for 1869." Beginning of trip taking sheep south from Maryvale. Kept by William Hann. Mss. Transcribed version (2).

H/9 1 January 1871 - 25 December 1871. Sundry accounts at beginning of notebook. 47p. Sundry accounts at back of notebook. 41p. Kept by William Hann. Mss. Transcribed version (2).

H/10 26 June 1872 - 12 November 1872. "Letts's Diary or Bills Due Book and an Almanac for 1872." Covers the William Hann Expedition by daily entries. Kept by William Hann. Mss.

H/11 27 June 1872 - 9 November 1872. Diary started at back of notebook. Bearings, 2p. William Hann Expedition covered from Camp 1 - Camp 86. Kept by William Hann. Mss.

H/12 1 January 1872 - 17 November 1872. "Letts's Diary 1872." Sundry accounts at beginning of diary. 7p. Sundry accounts at end of diary. 14p. Exploration Baser of Peninsula (First Book). Kept by William Hann. Mss.

H/13 15 July 1872 - 13 November 1872. Includes Daybook, 1870. 2p. Sundry accounts and stores for 1872 expedition. 8p. Expedition 1872 (Second Notebook). Kept by William Hann. Mss.

H/14 1 August 1872 - 20 October 1872. Includes extracts from Leichhardt's Journal of Expedition from Moreton Bay to Port Essington during the years 1844 - 1845. William Hann's 1872 Expedition (Third Notebook). Kept by William Hann. Mss.

H/15 26 June 1872 - 12 November 1872. Copy of the diary of the Northern Expedition under the leadership of Mr. William Hann. Government Printer, 1873. Typescript. 26p.

H/16 10 April 1874 - 30 May 1874. Trip to the Palmer River with Fat Cattle, 1874. Kept by William Hann. 29pp. Back of diary: Account with the Bank of New South Wales, Melbourne, for Joseph Hann and sundry accounts. 19p. Sundry accounts in middle of diary. 2pp. Mss.

H/17 1875 Diary (cover missing) used for another year which is not specified, from 1 January to 24 May by at least three different writers. Accounts on first page. Entries 21 June until 10 November have been used as month record, for example, a record from January 1923 until January 1926. Mss.

H/18 Accounts book (cover missing). 31 December 1867 - 16 August 1869. Pages 63-70 have been used as a diary from Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February - Monday 9 March, year unspecified. Mss.

H/19-H/30 Miscellaneous Items, Correspondence, Maps, etc.

H/19 Part of a diary of a prospecting party consisting of S. G. Hackett and others started from Glen Dhu Station, Valley of Lagoons, in search of Kirchner Ranges, 7 February 1871. Mss. 4p.

H/20 Draft of the Report sent to the Hon. The Minister for Works on completion of William Hann's 1872 expedition. Dated 20 December 1872. Mss. 68p.

H/21 The Province of Queensland by James Wyld, Geographer to the Queen, Charing Cross East, 457 Strand and 2 Royal Exchange, London. Published by James Wyld, 1865. Map. Scale 40 British miles to 1 inch. Typescript.

H/22 Expedition Route Maps, drawn by hand, from Camp 1 on page 7 to Camp 85. Annotated by the author with distances, times of arrival/departure, minerals located, soil, flora, directions, etc. Notebook. Mss.

H/23 Bank of New South Wales, Townsville, Current Account book with William Hann. 2 September 1872 - 15 May 1878. Mss.

H/24 Letter from Norman Taylor, Geologist, to William Hann, testifying to the standard of provisioning and organisation of the 1872 expedition. Dated 5 February 1873, from Brisbane. 1p. Mss.

H/25 Letter from Alexander Watson thanking William Hann for forwarding journal and chart and promising news of the planned prospecting trip at the earliest opportunity. Dated 4 June 1873, from Georgetown. 1p. Mss.

H/26 Letter from James Venture Mulligan to William Hann. The expedition had arrived back safely with samples of gold. Mr Hann was thanked and told that his journal and map were correct. Dated 8 September 1873, from Georgetown. 2p. Mss.

H/27 Envelope addressed to William Hann Esq., Maryvale, Townsville from Brisbane. Dated 6 October 1873. Stamp removed. 1p. Mss.

H/28 *The Queenslander*, Vol. XXIX, No. 551, Saturday, 17 April 1886. *The Naturalist* has an article "A Tree-Climbing Kangaroo", on p.612, Column 4, regarding William Hann's discovery in 1872. Typescript. pp.601-640.

H/29 *Townsville Daily Bulletin*, Vol. 7, Number 2019, Saturday, 6 April 1889. Typescript.

H/30 "Joseph Hann and Family Settlement in North Queensland 1861-1871," transcribed by Mr H. M. Clarke, Fanning River Station, 154p. Typescript. The diaries are transcribed from original diaries written by Joseph Hann and his son William Hann over the ten year period.

H/31 Certificate of death, Joseph Hann, 3 January 1864.

H/32 Certificate of death, Elizabeth Hann, 24 June 1864.

H/33 Certificate of death [photocopy], Charles James Hann, 6 March 1923.

H/34 Diaries of Frank Hugh Hann kept at Lolworth Station:

Volume 1, January 1866 - December 1872.

Volume 2, January 1873 - April 1875.

H/35 Hann Family Diaries transcribed and edited by Harry Clarke [bound typescript copy].

H/36 A summary statement of the Hann diaries 1861-1889 prepared by Mr Harry Clarke, 1 September 1989 [typescript].

H/37 William Nation Diaries.

H/38 Letters found in Nation's diaries.

H/39 William Nation Diary: "Notes of events on an overland trip from Kennedy District Queensland to Port Darwin (1<sup>st</sup> September, 1873)" [typed transcript].

H/40 Article in early 1990s edition of *Townsville Bulletin* by Jan Green, "Pioneering Magazine Publisher Brings Interior Design to the North," on publisher, Rhonda Bannister, quoted as being "the great-great-granddaughter of pioneering explorer and landowner William Hann."