

Jeff McLEAN

1873 - 1906

Biography as published in 1995

JEFF McLEAN born 7/2/1873 at Strathalbyn. Registered only as Jeff & not as Jeff Jeffreys as was his cousin. son of Hugh the elder & who died of measles at Adelaide at the age of 13 & who has been constantly confused with this Jeff of Hugh the Younger & vice versa.

Parents : Margaret McLean (nee Tannahill) & Hugh (the younger) McLean

Grandparents : Christina McLean (nee McPhee) & Donald McLean

Jeff was living at Strathalbyn and unmarried in 1896.

"Southern Argus" published 12/11/1896 - (Thursday):

"A Nasty Cut (heading). Mr Jeff McLean, while leading some horses on Thursday morning had a nasty fall from his horse which made an unexpected turn round a corner. Mr McLean fell on his head, some ugly cuts being the result as well as a severe shaking which gave him a great deal of pain for several days."

Jeff seems to have left Strathalbyn about the same time as his brother went to the Kalgoorlie gold fields and himself went to Broken Hill.

DEATH: according to some of his family - at Broken Hill aged 33 years in 1906.

The following in the "Southern Argus" under General News on 15/1/1885 probably also refers to Jeff McLean when he was aged about 12 Years:-

"An accident to a lad named McLean here yesterday morning. He was riding a horse to water when the animal reared up and fell backward on him, hurting his back. He was at once taken into the Robin Hood Hotel and Dr Young was promptly in attendance. The sufferer was able to walk home in a few hours time."

- SOURCE : This biography is an extract from "The History of Donald & Christina McLean and Their Descendants" which was published in 1995 – page 556.
- COLONIALISTS : Christina and Donald McLean and their ten children migrated from Argyllshire to South Australia in 1837. This was in the earliest years of the colony. The McLeans initially settled near Adelaide where they grew the first wheat crop in SA. Then in about 1840 they pioneered the Strathalbyn area. There are now well over 20,000 descendants spread across Australia and elsewhere.
- CHANGES : Please contact us with additions, corrections or suggestions about any part of this family tree.
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