

## Thomas Edward Reilly (g-g-grandfather of Hazen – maternal side)

Age:	YEAR	EVENT	DETAIL
	1817	Birth	Navan, Meath Co. Ireland,

**1** **DATE OF BIRTH:** The year 1817 is taken from convict records, NSW BDM records of children and newspaper notices. Difficulty in obtaining further details as parish records for baptisms/marriages in Navan are not available, or do not exist for the particular year range required. *Have written to Navan parish to seek further information on availability of records & pursuing other avenues of enquiry*

**2** **NATIVE PLACE:** A petition was put forward for leniency of transportation sentence: "*Convict is the sole support of his widowed mother and seven children residing in **Polboy, Navan, Meath Co.***" **Mother's name is Bridget**, she is a widow and Thomas is the eldest of 7 children. The petition was unsuccessful. **REF:** Ireland- Australia Transportation Database CRF 1838 R 10; Copy of letter from mother and references from employers which provide a list of occupations prior to offence. Other convict documents refer to native place as Meath Co.

**3** **Ireland Census for 1821 provides 2 records for a Thomas born in 1817 in Navan/Navantown**

- 1) House 708 in Navan: Head of household James (30yrs labourer); wife Bridget (30yrs); children: John 6yrs (b - 1815); **Thomas** 4yrs (b – 1817); Patrick 1yr (b – 1820)
- 2) House 709 in Navan: Head of household Michael (27yrs labourer); wife Bridget (26yrs); children: **Thomas & Michael** 4yrs (twins b – 1817); Teresa 1yr (b – 1820)

**REF:** 1821 Census records. *Continuing to investigate if there is a connection*

**4** **21 yrs: OFFENCE: 22 February 1838, Trim** Thomas charged with "*robbing the dwelling house of Patrick Clarke on the 19 Feb 1838 and feloniously taking there from: 3 shirts, a double blanket, 3 sheets, a waistcoat and house butter*". Conviction Location: Meath Co. He and 3 others were found guilty of the offence. They were sentenced to 15 years transportation. Prior to transportation Thomas was sent to **Kilmainham Gaol** in Dublin. It was noted on one of the documents that this was NOT a "whiteboy" offence. **REF:** NSW and Tasmania: Settlers and Convicts 1787-1859 & CRF 1838 F16

**5** **NOTE:** At the same trial a MICHAEL REILLY was also convicted for embezzlement (pocketing 5/- from employer); transported 7 years; native place – Meath Co; birth year 1809; transported on the Westmoreland. *Investigating if this might have been a cousin/acquaintance of Thomas.*

**6** **21 yrs: VOYAGE TO AUSTRALIA: 27 April 1838** he left Dublin on the **Westmoreland** bound for NSW. Arriving Sydney 22 August 1838; days travel 117 **REF:** Westmoreland records; NSW, Australia Convict Indents 1788-1842. Refer also to Westmoreland Surgeon's Journal by George McClure

**7** **Indent has following description of Thomas:** "*5' 7"; dark ruddy complexion; brown hair; hazel eyes; broad featured; small scar under back part of left jaw; anchor inside lower right arm, INRI, crucifix, TR inside lower left arm, scar inside left shin, hairy legs.*" Thomas could also read and was Catholic; occupation labourer and was single.

**8** **FUTURE WIFE:** An assisted passenger list entry for a **Jane Smyth**, on the Neptune, arriving Sydney, **11 Feb 1844**. Jane is listed as being 20 yrs old, born Cavan Co Ireland, general servant, Protestant, could read and write. All records referring to Jane have a birth yr as 1825. However Cavan Co. records have gaps. **REF:** NSW Passenger List. *Also on list is an Anne Smyth, aged 19 years, Cavan Co. (sister/cousin??) Also investigating broader connections between Reilly's/ Smyth's in Meath & Cavan.*

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**28 yrs: TICKET OF LEAVE:** Obtained **11 January 1845**, he was allowed to remain in the District of Windsor (Richmond) **REF:** Ticket of Leave Butts 1827-1875 (Nrs 12202)

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**28 yrs: APPLICATION TO MARRY: 10 July 1845** Thomas made an "Application to Marry" to Jane Smyth (free emigrant), residence, Richmond – granted **REF:** NSW Registers of Convicts Applications to Marry 1825-1851

28      1845 Aug 4      **Marriage:**      **NSW, Richmond Jane Smyth** (Abt 1825-1906)  
**REF:** BDM Registration 1241vVol 158

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**CHILDREN:** Thomas and Jane had 10 children, with 3 dying in childhood: Ann Jane – 1846; Thomas Edward – 1848 (D: 1853); James – 1847 (D: 1857); Maria E – 1851; William James – 1853; Elizabeth Badelia – 1855 (D: 1857); Eleanor L – 1858; John Henry – 1861; **George Aubrey – 1862 (Hazen's g-grandfather);** Emily Isabel – 1870 **NOTE:** Several different spellings of "Reilly" – Reilley/Reiley/Riley **REF:** George (13018/1863) & Emily's (16370/1870) birth certificates, other BDM and cemetery records.

*Research continuing on confirmation and further details*

29	1846	<i>Daughter born</i>	<b>NSW, Richmond Ann Jane Reiley</b> (1846- )
30	1847	<i>Son born</i>	<b>NSW, Richmond James Riley</b> (1847-1857)
31	1848	<i>Son born</i>	<b>NSW, Richmond Thomas Edward Riley</b> (1848-1853)

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**32 yrs CONDITIONAL PARDON: 9 June 1849** Thomas received a "conditional pardon". **REF:** NSW, Aust, Convict Registers of Conditional and Absolute Pardons, 1788-1870

34	1851	<i>Daughter born</i>	<b>NSW, Richmond Maria E. Reiley</b> (1851- )
35	1853 Jan 6	Death of Child	<b>NSW, Richmond Thomas Edward Riley</b> (1848-1853)

**35      1853, Feb      SENTENCE COMPLETED**

35	1853	<i>Son born</i>	<b>NSW, Richmond William James Riley</b> (1853- )
37	1855 Nov 29	<i>Daughter born</i>	<b>NSW, Richmond Elizabeth Badelia Reiley</b> (1855-1857)
40	1857 Dec 24	Death of Child	<b>NSW, Richmond Elizabeth Badelia Reiley</b> (1855-1857)
40	1857 Dec 24	Death of Child	<b>NSW, Richmond James Riley</b> (1847-1857)
41	1858	<i>Daughter born</i>	<b>NSW, Richmond Eleanor L. Reilley</b> (1858- )
44	1861	<i>Son born</i>	<b>NSW, Richmond John Henry Reilly</b> (1861-1893).

Died 1893 in Albury

45	1863 Nov 29	<i>Son born</i>	<b>NSW, Richmond George Aubrey Reilley</b> (1863-1932)
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Died 15 Jan 1932 in Bent St, Paddington NSW

52	1870 Jan 10	<i>Daughter born</i>	<b>NSW, Richmond Emily Isabel Reilley</b> (1870- )
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53	1870-71 & 1878-79		<b>Electoral Roll for Hawkesbury/Windsor</b>
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76	1893	Death of Child	<b>NSW, Albury John Henry Reilly</b> (1861-1893)
80	1898 Feb 25	Death	<b>NSW, Sydney THOMAS EDWARD REILLY, 16 Jarrett St Leichhardt,</b>

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**RESIDENCE:** Newspaper death notice indicates that Thomas was a resident of Richmond, NSW for 50 years. **Directories and Electoral Rolls** indicate living at Richmond Bottom and Francis St, Richmond

**DEATH:** Thomas died 25 February 1898 at his last residence 16 Jarrett St, Leichhardt, Sydney, NSW, aged 80 years **REF:** NSW BDM 1978/1898

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**DEATH OF WIFE:** Jane died 24 November 1906, at Burwood, Sydney, NSW **REF:** Newspaper article – Daily Telegraph, 24 November 1906