

John Hull

Born 1810 in Dungiven, Ireland and died 21 April, 1856 in Bendigo, Victoria, Australia.

By Cynthia Hull:

This is the story so far of John Hull, son of Thomas 1 and Elizabeth Millar or Miller. He grew up in Londonderry, on The Hull Hillfoot farm with his brothers and sister. According to the engraving on his headstone he was born in 1810. He married and had four sons. At this time we think their names were William, James, John and Robert.

In the 1850's he came to Australia with his brother James and headed for the gold fields at Bendigo, Victoria, Australia. The Hull men were there as carpenters to make barrows and puddling machines for the gold miners.



Puddling Machine

In 1856 there was an epidemic of dysentery in the camp. James cured the other men by giving them mutton fat, however his brother John would not take it. He went to a doctor in the camp who was well known to be drunk most of the time. He eventually died on the 21st April 1856. Before his death, he had asked brother James to give the money to his sons as they came of age.

James returned home, and being an honest man gave the money to John's widow, who was at this time living with another chap. They spent the money. As

the boys became of age they went to their Uncle who had to give them their share.

It was stated in a letter written by Elizabeth Hull, daughter to James that the youngest one, Robert, came to Australia.

John is buried in the White Hills cemetery, Bendigo with a headstone saying:

“Sacred to the memory of John Hull, formally of Dungivan , County Derry, Ireland ,who departed this life April 21, 1856, aged 46yrs.”



These are some of the pages of the will of John Hull where he gives his estate over to his brother James Hull and James promises to give to his wife and his children their proper inheritance which was a follows:

One Thousand Six Hundred Pounds plus property minus debts.

He left instructions to James to manage the money until William, James, Robert and John his sons were of age-Twenty One. and to give money to his wife Margaret Jane Hull also.

In the Supreme Court
of the Colony of Victoria

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Ecclsiastical Jurisdiction

In the Goods of Affair of
John Hull
deceased } James Hull

Filed at Melbourne
the 14th day of August 1864

Wm. Southworth

In the Supreme Court
of the Colony of Victoria }
Ecclsiastical Jurisdiction

In the Goods of John Hull
late of Sydney in the Colony of Victoria Carpenter
deceased

I, Robert Hull of Sydney in the Colony of Victoria
Carpenter make oath and say

- 1 That I am a Freeholder residing at Sydney in the Colony of Victoria
- 2 That I am worth property to the amount of Eight hundred pounds over and above all my just debts
- 3 That my property to the amount of eight hundred pounds consists of freehold property and successions and is situated at Melbourne in the Colony of Victoria and I have received for the last twelve months past

Income of Land and other
said Colony the sum of eight
hundred and fifty pounds

Robert Hull

William Augustus Peck
A Commissioner for taking Affidavits

In the Supreme Court
of the Colony of Victoria }
Ecclsiastical Jurisdiction

In the Goods of John Hull late
of Sydney in the Colony of Victoria Carpenter deceased

I James Hull of Sydney in the Colony of Victoria Carpenter make
oath and say

- 1 That I will with and truly collect and administer the property of John Hull late of Sydney in the Colony of Victoria Carpenter deceased in so far as the same will admit and the Law hereunto in that behalf
- 2 That I will exhibit a full and true Inventory of all his property together with a true account of the administration thereof as may be required by the Rules of the Honorable Court
- 3 That I believe the property of the said John Hull does not exceed in value four hundred pounds

Given at Sandhurst in the said Colony the 14th day of August 1864

James Hull

William Augustus Peck
A Commissioner for taking Affidavits

In the Supreme Court
of the Colony of Victoria }
Ecclsiastical Jurisdiction

In the Goods of John Hull late of
Sydney in the Colony of Victoria Carpenter deceased

I Quincy Adams Gilroy of Sandhurst
in the Colony of Victoria Shopkeeper make oath
and say

- 1 That I am a Freeholder residing in Ball Mee in Sandhurst in the said Colony
- 2 That I am worth property to the amount of one thousand six hundred pounds over and above all my just debts
- 3 That my property to the amount of one thousand six hundred pounds consists of freehold property situated in Ball Mee in Sandhurst of one acre and being part of allotment four of section one of the Town of Sandhurst with the site of dwelling house and buildings thereon. Also of part of allotment eleven of the said section containing a portion of thirty three feet in the said Town of Sandhurst
- 4 That my personal property consists of the late in Trade furniture fixtures and effects in the above mentioned store contained and more

In the Supreme Court
of the Colony of Victoria

Probate and Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

In the last will of John Hall late of
by his last will and testament in the
Colony of Victoria his last will and testament

I James Hall of the City of Melbourne
in the Colony of Victoria his last will and testament
do hereby certify that

That the children left by the above
testament John Hall deceased were
namely, and named respectively
William Hall James Hall, Helen
Hall and John Hall, are under the
age of twenty-one years

Seven and sundries in
the Colony of Victoria the
Twenty first day of May
A.D. one thousand eight
hundred and fifty six
James Hall
Esq.

William Augustine Peckey
A Commissioner for taking
Affidavits

promote and that the said
James Hall as an I believe fully
entitled to the Administration thereof

Sworn at Sandhurst
on the said Colony the
Twelfth day of May
one thousand eight
hundred and fifty six
Before me

Robert Hall

William Augustine Peckey
A Commissioner for taking Affidavits

In the Supreme Court of the Colony of Victoria

Probate and Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

In the last will of John Hall late
of the City of Melbourne in the
Colony of Victoria his last will and testament

Notice is hereby given that upon the receipt
of further steps from the probator of the
above application will be made to the
Supreme Court of the Colony of Victoria
that letters of administration of the goods
& chattels of the said John Hall deceased
may be granted to James Hall Esq.
by his last will and testament his last will and testament
brother of the said John Hall deceased
within the time prescribed by law
to that effect in the Statute in that behalf made
bearing the date of the said Statute
in that behalf made bearing the date of the said Statute
in that behalf made bearing the date of the said Statute

This is the Copy of the Statute
referred to in the annexed Affidavit of
Charles Frederick Peckey sworn before me
this 22nd day of May 1856
James Hall
Esq.

In the Supreme Court
of the Colony of Victoria

Probate and Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction
In the last will of John Hall late
of the City of Melbourne in the
Colony of Victoria his last will and testament

I James Hall of the City of Melbourne
in the Colony of Victoria his last will and testament
do hereby certify that

- 1 That John Hall late of the City of Melbourne
deceased departed this life on the
first day of April in the one thousand eight
hundred and fifty six
- 2 That he left Margaret Jane Hall his
widow (now residing in Ireland) and William
Hall James Hall Robert Hall and John
Hall his children born surviving
- 3 That I do not and truly believe the said
Margaret Jane Hall and the said William
Hall James Hall Robert Hall and John
Hall are the only persons entitled to a
distribution of his property
- 4 That the said John Hall had at
the time of his death property in the
said Colony not exceeding in value four
hundred pounds and that I the said

James Hull am as I believe lawfully
entitled to the administration thereof.

Sworn at Sandhurst in
the said Colony the twelfth day of
May one thousand eight
hundred and fifty five
Before me

William Augustus Roche
A Commissioner for taking Affidavits

Robert his third son also went and stayed in Australia from family letters and we are unsure of the other sons locations at this time.

This is a copy of the marriage record of Margaret Jane Hull who was the first wife of John Hull. After he died in Bendigo, Australia later she re-married to this much younger man. She visited James, John's brother and got from him her inheritance from James.

In the Supreme Court of
the Colony of Victoria

Collocastical Introduction -
In the Estate of John Hull late of
the said Colony of Victoria, Carpenter, deceased -
The twelfth day of May in
the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and fifty five

Upon reading the affidavits of James
Hull of the said Colony of Victoria, Carpenter
brother of the said deceased and Robert
Hull of the same place, sworn herein
respectively on the twelfth day of May
instant, and the affidavit of Charles
Chester Parry sworn herein on the
fourteenth day of May instant It is
ordered that administration of all and
singular the goods chattels credits and
effects of John Hull late of the said Colony of
Victoria, Carpenter deceased be committed to the
said James Hull -

Upon the motion of Mr. Nathan
By the Court
Hull Nathan
Clerk of the Court

REF NO _____ REGISTRARS DISTRICT OF LIMAVADY

	BRIDE	GROOM
NAME	Margaret Jane Hull (1st husband John Hull)	William Greaves
AGE/DOB	Full	25
MARITAL STATUS	Widow	Bachelor
PROFESSION	-	Carpenter
RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE	Chebarkey Parish Dungiven	Magheraboy Parish Dungiven
FATHER'S NAME	James Greaves Quigley	James Greaves
FATHER'S PROFESSION	Farmer	Farmer
DATE OF MARRIAGE	12/1/1860	
PLACE OF MARRIAGE	Registrar's Office	
WITNESSES	Fergus M'Clanean? Mary M'hay	

Robert, John's son, is the only children present at the signing of the will. James kept his agreement plus some. He gave the inheritance that was for all of the children plus his wife to Margaret Jane when he returned to Dungiven. When each child became of age they went to James and he gave them their portion even though he had really given all of it to Margaret Jane earlier. He was a very honorable man!

Through using the DNA testing program facilitated by many cousins donating to our fund we have located a John Irving Hull who is a direct descendant of John Hull through his son, John the fourth child. He lives in Australia. His DNA matches perfectly with Murray Hull, Jay Hull and Dan Hull.