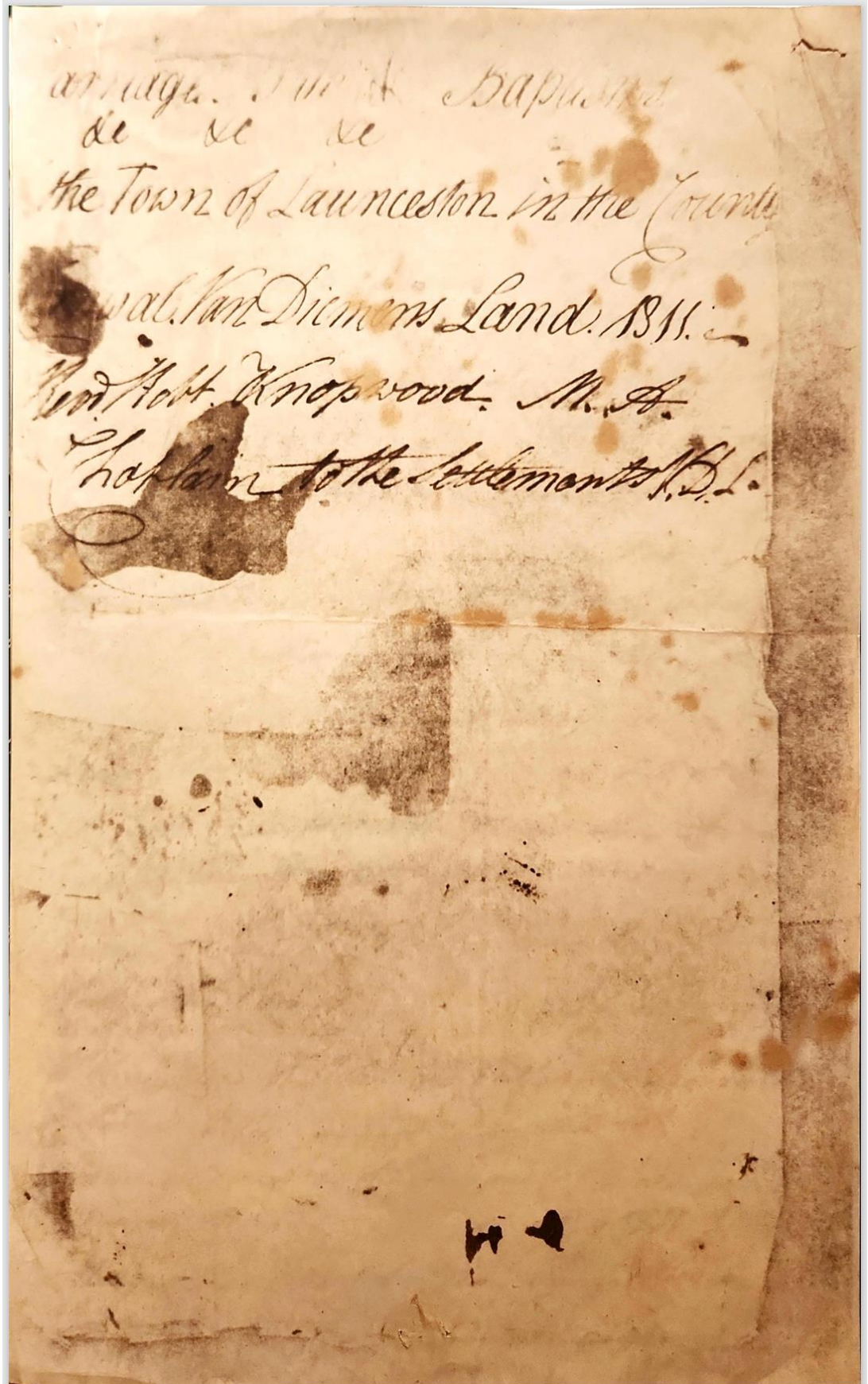


Earliest records of Baptisms and Marriages in northern Van Diemens Land

There are not systematic and continuous records of religious events, including baptisms, marriages and burials, pre-dating the establishment of St. John's Church. There is some evidence of such events, but our earliest listing dates from 1811, mainly covering that year and 1815, but with a reference to 1815. The listing suggests this was a summary prepared by Revd. Robert Knopwood, perhaps from his own papers, and has come down to us through the papers of Revd. W.H. Browne, rector from 1828 to 1868. Knopwood lived on until 1838, and it is quite possible that he prepared this list at Browne's request.

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Marriages Publick
Baptisms et et of the town
of Launceston in the
County of Cornwall [sic]
Van Diemens Land 1811
— Revd Robt Knopwood
M A Chaplain to the
settlement VDL



Facsimile of the cover and first part of Knopwood's list of marriages and "publick" baptisms.

Harriet Daughters of Richard and Ann Dry
late Ann Lyons 25 Feb. 1811. —

Henry Son of Edward and Elizabeth Webber
late Elizabeth Purley --- 26 Feb. —

William Son of Richard and Mary Lyons late
Mary Davis. --- 26 Feb. —

Sophia Daughters of Richard and Mary Lyons
late Mary Davis. --- 26 Feb. —

George Son of John and Mary Dower
late Mary Gyles. --- 26 Feb. —

Anna Maria Daughters of William and Mary
Merry, late Mary Murphy --- 26 Feb. —

Richard Son of William and Mary Merry late
Mary Murphy --- 26 Feb. —

Elizabeth Daughters of Theophilus and Ann
Fewtrell late Ann Cary --- 26 Feb.

Samuel Son of Theophilus and Ann Fewtrell
late Ann Cary --- 26 Feb. —

William Son of John and Catherine Lee, late
Catherine Wiley --- 26 Feb.

Catherine Daughters of John and Catherine Lee
late Catherine Wiley --- 26 Feb. —

Mary Daughters of John and Catherine
late Catherine Wiley 26 Feb. —

Marriages

26 Feb 1811

Walter Cunnison
John Smith X
Jeremiah Briant X

Anne Horde X (widow)
Sarah Wheeler X
Ann Francis

4 March 1811

Thomas Smith X
MacConnell
William Oyens
Joseph Lowe X
Robert Beames
William Pigeon X
Thomas Kerk X
William Carey

Mary Bowater (single woman) Witnesses WH Lyttleton 73r^d Regt.; J
Beatreix [sic] Wilson
Judith Shaw X
Susannah Brersford X
Hannah Hunter X
Elizabeth Edwards X
Mary Malloy X

10 March 1811

Michael Murphey X
Joseph Edmonds X

Hannah Williams X Witnesses GA Gordon, Major Commandant; W Kenny
Ann Keating X

11 March 1811

William Mancy
Peter Mills

Jane Wood X
Jennyfer Ann Brabyn Witnesses GA Gordon, Major Commandant; J Mountgarret

12 March 1811

Thomas Howard

Elizabeth Mills (widow)

16 March 1811

Michael Fitzgerald
John Murphy X

Mary Wood
Ann Dickson X

18 March 1811

Jacob Hacket Mountgarret
James Brumby
Thomas Farrow X
William James
Thomas Sewell X

Bridget Edwards Witnesses Willm Henr Lyttleton[sic]; James Brumby
Elizabeth Annesley X Witnesses W Lyttleton; Thomas Howard
Ann Cossens X
Mary Shannon X
Ann Lewis X (widow)

25 March 1811

Edward Munday

Sarah Haywood (widow)

Public Baptisms 1811

25 February

Harriett d of Richard & Ann Dry late Lyons

26 February

Henry s of Edward & Elizabeth Webber late Elizabeth Burly

William s of Richard & Mary Lyons late Mary Davis

George s of John & Mary Dower late Mary Giles

Anna Maria d of William & Mary Merry late Mary Murphy

Richard s of

Elizabeth d of Theophilus & Ann Fewtrill late Ann Cary

Samuel s

William s of John & Catherine Lee late C Riley

Catherine d

Mary

3 March

Mary Elizabeth d of Alice Granger

William Henry s of

Ann d of Patrick & Isabella Riley late I Sentor

4 March

Maria d of Matthew & Elizabeth Kerk late Edwards

Sophia d

Sarah d of Wm & Mary Carey (Malloy)

William s

John

Margaret d

Edward s of Robert & Susannah Beams (Bressford)

Juliana d of Eliz Clark

William s of Samuel & Sarah Lay nee Cook

Sarah d of John & Susannah Macallester (Fitzgerald)

John s of Thomas & Mary Bradshaw nee Hawton

8 March

John s of Robert & Elizabeth Paterson (Fraser) Xtained at York town

Mary d of John & Ellen MacDonald (Kaine) Xtained at York town

10 March

William Dalrymple s of James & Ann Keating (Middlebrooke)

Ellenor d of Michael & Hannah Murphy (Williams)

Elizabeth

Mary

Jane

11 March

John Brebyn [sic] s of Peter & Jennyfer Ann Mills nee Brabyn

16 March

William s of Michael & Mary Fitzgerald (Wood)

Maria d of

Mary d of Catherine Macdonald

James s

18 March

Charles Mountgarret Launceston a Native Boy of VDL

William Lyttleton Quamby a Native Boy of VDL

William s of James & Elizabeth Brumby (Annesley)

21 March

Eliza d of Richard & Ann Dry (Lyons)

1814

6 March

John s of Mary Taylor
Andrew s of Andrew & [Oulisson] Dixon (Lonsdale)

7 March

John s of James & Mary Cox (Connelly)

9 March

Elizabeth d of John & Agness Marshall (McDonald)
John + Samuel sons of Samuel & Sarah Lee (Cook)
James + Mary s & d of Robert & Susannah Beams (Bressford)
James s of Robert & Elizabeth Patterson (Frazer)
Patrick James & Johannah s & d of Patrick & Ellenor Frawley (Macklin)
James & William sons of Elizabeth Callahan
Mary d of Patrick & Flavilla Riley (Sentor)
James s of Theophilus & Ann Futrill (Carey)
David + Robert sons of George & Janet Smith (Killop)
Robert + Andrew sons of Thomas & Mary Miller (Mundell)
Sarah d of Alexander & Mary Monagan (Ryan)
William s of John & Susannah McAllister (Mitchell)

13 March

Henry s of John & Ellenor McDonald (Kean)
Michael s of Michael & Hannah Murphy (Williams)
Richard + Sarah s & d of Ann Pore

14 March

Mary d of Mary Phillips
Elizabeth d of Edward & Elizabeth Webber (Elizabeth Jane Burley)
John s of John & Margaret Wardle (McDonald)
Thomas + Ann s & d of Richard & Ann Sydes (Scott)

16 March

James s of James & Elizabeth Brumby (Ansley)
Charles Frederick s of Peter & Janet Mills (Brabin [sic])
Robart [sic] s of Ann Byrne

17 March

Flavella d of John & Ann Sentor (Webley)

18 March

Dalrymple a native girl
Hannah a native girl

19 March

Mary Ann + Thomas d & s of George & Ann Jubb (Halleward)

21 March

Elizabeth d of William & Mary Murry (Murphy)
Rebecca d of Wm Henery [sic] & Ann Lyttleton (Hortle)
Maria d of Richard & Ann Dry (Lions [sic])
Norfolk & Eliza s & d of Elizabeth Nickols [sic]
Margaret d of John & Susannah Mc Allister married at Port Dalrymple
Child born 16 Jan, baptized 24 Feb 1815

This is to certify that the several children herein before marriage in the six preceeding pages were baptized by me, namely those commencing in page one & ending at page four with the name of Eliza d of Richd & Ann Dry late Ann Lyons 21 March 1811 in the said year of 1811 & those commencing in the same page four & ending at page six with the names of Norfolk & Eliza son and daughter of Eliz Nicholls 21 March were baptized in the year 1814

R Knopwood A M