

## George PUDNEY and Mary HILL family history

1894 settler Kaitoke Upper Hutt

### George PUDNEY

B about 1843 Petone New Zealand  
D 08 August 1931 Petone New Zealand  
M 1881 New Zealand

### Mary HILL

B about 1852 place unknown  
D 24 August 1932 Petone New Zealand

### Children:

1. Hilda PUDNEY born 1883 New Zealand

George PUDNEY was born about 1843 Petone New Zealand to parents Elizabeth nee Davies and Joseph Pudney.

Evening Post newspaper 04 June 1866

Resident Magistrates Court This Day – Thomas Murphy, George Pudney Adam Wilson and H Flegg were each were fined 5s for drunkenness

*(Reference Papers Past website Evening Post newspaper 01 June 1866 page 2)*

Evening Post newspaper 13 February 1869

Resident Magistrates Court This Day – George Pudney and David Laird charged with not having their names painted on their carts were fined 5s and costs

*(Reference Papers Past website Evening Post newspaper 13 February 1869 page 2)*

Evening Post newspaper 04 September 1869

Resident Magistrates Court This Day – Assault - George Pudney was charged with being drunk and assaulting a constable while in discharge of his duty

*(Reference Papers Past website Evening Post newspaper 04 September 1869 page 2)*

Wellington Independent newspaper 30 October 1872

Police Court – Tuesday 29 October – Allowing Horses to Wander – George Pudney charged with allowing his horse to wander said it was a horse he had turned out for three months on Mr George's run and that it had made its way back. The constable said his horse was constantly roaming the 4 streets during the night. Fined 10s and costs.

*(Reference Papers past website Wellington Independent newspaper 30 October 1872 page 3)*

Evening Post newspaper 28, 29, 31 August & 01 September 1877

For Sale (privately) 10 draught Horses Apply to George Pudney Ingestre Street

*(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 29 August 1877 page 3)*

Evening Post newspaper 15 November 1878

George Pudney – Te Aro Ward – Removal of night soil 6d per bucket – removal of dust and rubbish 6s per cubic yard or 4s per hour (Did not tender for other wards)

*(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 15 November 1878 page 2)*

1880-1881 Wellington Electoral Roll

- George PUDNEY residential Coromandel Street carter
- Joseph PUDNEY residential Tory Street carter

*(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)*

Mary HILL born about 1852 place unknown

George PUDNEY married 1881 New Zealand Mary HILL

*(Reference RGO NZ marriage registration 1881 folio website 1881/976)*

George and Mary had a daughter Hilda PUDNEY who was born 1883 New Zealand  
(Reference RGO NZ marriage registration 1883 folio website 1883/1058)

Evening Post newspaper 24, 25 January 1881

Wednesday 25th January at 2 o'clock - Great Unreserved Sale of Draught Horses, Harness, Carts, Drays, Buggy, &c. - Francis Sidney & Co. have received instructions from Mr George Pudney (who is leaving Wellington), to sell by auction, at his yards, Tory street, near the Cricketers Arms - 10 heavy draught horses and harness, 6 tip carts, 3 town drays, 1 spring dray, 1 buggy and harness, 2 chaff cutters, Lot of trace harness, And sundries - See Flag on Premises - Terms very liberal - No reserve.

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 24, 25 January 1881 page 3)

Evening Post newspaper 13, 14 July 1885

Sand – Sand – Sand – I the undersigned have leased the Evans Bay Sand Hills. Sand delivered at 4s 6d per cubic yard at the Sand Hills 2 s per load – Island Bay gravel 7s per load – George Pudney - Saga Land (off Tory Street) and Hanson Street

(Reference Papers Past website Evening Post newspaper 13, 14 July 1885 page 3)

Evening Post newspaper 05, 06, 10, 11, 12 November 1886

For Sale or Lease a Farm of 150 acres 10 Milking Cows, Pigs, Horse, Trap, Poultry and Dairy Utensils, together or separately Apply to George Pudney Wallaceville Upper Hutt

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 05, 06, 10, 11, 12 November 1886 page 3)

Evening Post newspaper 29 August 1887

George Pudney, Andrew Spittal and Herbert Cowlan carters were each fined 5s with 7s costs for having driven their drays along Adelaide Road without proper lights.

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 29 August 1887 page 2)

1890 Hutt Electoral Roll Wellington

- George PUDNEY freehold Wellington contractor Section 220 Upper Hutt

(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Roll)

Evening Post newspaper 13, 15, 16, 18 April 1891

Tenders will be received up till Saturday the 18<sup>th</sup> for Building a four roomed House and Outbuildings at Upper Hutt Apply George Pudney Tory Street.

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 13, 15, 16, 18 April 1891 page 3)

George and his family settled in Kaitoke around 1894. This is according to information on his daughter Hilda's 1899 Intention to marry application.

1896 Otaki Electoral Roll

- George PUDNEY Kaitoke farmer residential
- Mary PUDNEY Kaitoke farmer's wife residential

(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Roll)

Evening Post newspaper 14, 15 January 1896

Strayed or Stolen from Kaitoke a white Cow branded "B" Apply to the owner George Pudney Kaitoke Any person detailing same after Saturday the 18<sup>th</sup> instant will be prosecuted.

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 14, 15 January 1896 page 3)

Evening Post newspaper 04 July 1896

Magistrates Court – William Taylor who slept in a loft belonging to a settler named George Pudney at Kaitoke and when discovered on the morning assaulted and abused the owner was sentenced to 21 days imprisonment with hard labour.

(Reference Papers Past website Evening Post newspaper 04 July 1896 page 6)

George PUDNEY Colonial Defence Force Wellington Troop Kaitoke 1896-1911

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington ACGT 18569 LS69 39/ 2330)

#### Evening Post newspaper 25 February 1897

The Vogel School children parents and friends to the number of nearly 500 with their teachers (Misses Browne, Ramsay, Fitchett and Legg) and the whole of the committee left by special train this morning at 9 o'clock for Kaitoke to spend a full day black berrying ample provision having been made for their reception on Mr George Pudney's farm Kaitoke.

*(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 25 February 1897 page 4)*

#### 25 April 1899 Wellington Intention to marry application

George PUDNEY father gave consent for the minor to marry.

Hilda PUDNEY age 15 spinster dwelled Kaitoke 5 years and William Henry EDWARDS age 21 occupation Farm labourer bachelor dwelled Kaitoke 3 years intend to marry at Registrar's Office Wellington by Deputy Registrar R TALBOT

*(Reference Archives NZ Wellington 1899 Intention to marry application Wellington agency BDM series 20 item 48 page 761 record 178)*

#### 1900 Otaki Electoral Roll

- George PUDNEY Kaitoke farmer residential
- Mary PUDNEY Kaitoke married women residential

*(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)*

#### 1905-1906 Hutt Electoral Roll

- George PUDNEY Kaitoke farmer
- Mary PUDNEY Kaitoke married

*(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)*

#### Evening Post newspaper 29 October 1910

Water-Power - To the Editor - Sir in your issue of the 22nd inst. a letter from Mr Turnbull stated that if anybody went to the gorge of the Hutt river, he would see boulders, stones, and gravel rolling down in thousands of yards. Now, Sir, the Public Works Department had a survey party there four years ago. For nine month I carried their provisions in every week, and I never saw any of those boulders, stones, or running: gravel. And the department has had a man there ever since taking the gauges of the water. He has been there four years now, and he has never seen those boulders rolling down the river. Mr Turnbull states running rivers would never do for water power. In the case of the Hutt river, when the dam is built the river bed instead of being confined to one chain wide will be three miles across and two miles long, so the water will have such a wide spread and do away with all removing shingle, as it is only on the flats that the shingle removes from one place to another. Now, Sir, a few words on the great Kaiwarra dam. Mr Turnbull states there was a dam at Kaiwarra about twenty years ago. Forty years ago there was a dam that used to drive a flourmill. At that time the corporation wanted the water for the Karori reservoir, so they left the dam at Kaiwarra with only the drainage of Wadestown and Khandallah. At the same time Mr Shultze, the owner, let the land for quarrying stone to the Government. Mr Lovelock and myself had the contract to get the stone out for the Hutt railway, and the dam was filled in with the waste from the quarry, which in the first place only covered about one quarter of an acre of land compared with the Hutt dam, which will be two thousand acres. I am etc., GEORGE PUDNEY. Kaitoke, 26th October, 1910.

*(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 29 October 1910 page 3)*

#### 1911 Hutt Electoral Roll

- George PUDNEY Kaitoke farmer
- Mary PUDNEY Kaitoke married

*(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)*

#### Evening Post newspaper 16, 17 August 1911

Disclaimer – I am not the George Pudney summoned for debt in the Magistrate's Court last Friday the 11<sup>th</sup> instant – George Pudney Kaitoke

*(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 16, 17 August 1911 page 8)*

#### 1914 Hutt Electoral Roll

- George PUDNEY Kaitoke farmer
- Mary PUDNEY Kaitoke married

*(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)*

#### Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 17 July 1915

Upper Hutt Progress - Pioneer Stables - Bravo, Harry - Away back in the Fifties a Paisley Scot (James Brown) and his family trekked from Alicetown to Rongonui (the place of great reputation) now known as Upper Hutt. There was no road between the two places just a rough track into the dense bush of the Nai-nai and Taita, from the lower valley clearings, a Maori track over the hill into Stokes Valley, across the creek, and up and over the eastern hill (the Hutt river ran at the foot of the cliffs at the northern end) to near the railway bridge, and thence by the track denned by the birch bush on its southern side and totara forest on the north, to the site of the Upper Hutt township (then surveyed into 100 acre blocks) and onward to the distant Wairarapa. Along this tortuous and difficult track came Upper Hutt's Pioneer Settler James Brown, senior, and his family, with their possessions in a small cart - the cart being taken apart and the body and wheels carried by the party over the two intervening ridges to what is now known as the Silverstream. The family put up their first shelter of saplings and sailcloth at "Rongonui" and thus established the pioneer European residence in Upper Hutt. A slab whare replaced the first shelter, and was followed by a dwelling of pit-sawn timber which was later on used as an inn and known as "The Shepherd's Inn". At a subsequent date additions were made to the building and the name was changed to "Criterion Hotel". It was here that the Duke of Edinburgh (brother of the late King Edward VII) stayed in 1865. The hotel was sequently closed and the bulk of the internal walls removed to permit of its being used for entertainment - the tenant (J B Dalton) naming it "Dalton's Hall" and occupying the old bar room as a cobbler's shop. The property at this stage was part of the "Barnard Rhodes Estate". The buildings were pulled down and the block of land having become the property of C T Price, was subdivided and offered at auction. The purchasers of the main road allotment (old hotel ground) being T P Boyd (vacant land and part of bar room site, on which he erected a shoeing forge and, later, added a coach factory), H E Pratt (balance of the hotel site and site of the "pioneer residence) since sold to **W H Edwards**, and on which he has erected an up to date reinforced concrete stable, offices and motor garage. **M Pudney**, since sold to Boyle Bros., on which reinforced concrete motor repair shop and garage is being erected, and J Brown, since transferred to Len McKenzie, the Wellington chemist. On the boundary line of the last two lots is the well-known oak, grown from an acorn planted there in the Fifties by Pioneer settler James Brown of Paisley, Scotland. The new stables and garage built to the order of **W H Edwards** by F H Luckins, at a cost of over £1000, is one of the best in the Dominion. There is accommodation in a fireproof structure, for a number of cars, stalls for horse's line the opposite side of the central passage, and convenient storage provided for fodder horse-stalls. The whole of the main building is fitted with a high-pressure water service from the town board mains and a complete drainage system has been provided. The remainder of the allotment has been roofed in to provide shelter for carts and other vehicles. Concrete drinking-troughs, a concrete manure-pit, and an acetylene gas-plant are installed in this portion of the establishment. There are two convenient offices on the street frontage and in rear thereof are harness, feed and groom's rooms. A verandah of neat design sets off the exterior to advantage. The proprietor did intend to name the building the "Criterion" Stables, after the hotel that formerly occupied a portion of the allotment, but on hearing from a member of our staff that it was also the site of the abode of the first European settler in the district, he decided to call it the "Pioneer" Stables and Motor Garage to commemorate the fact. Bravo Harry. Here's Luck to your Enterprise.

*(Reference Papers past website Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 17 July 1915 page 4)*

I was informed that in 1919 George PUDNEY sold his Kaitoke farm and moved to Cuba Street Petone.

#### 1919 & 1928 Hutt Electoral Roll

- George PUDNEY 37 Cuba Street Petone Settler
- Mary PUDNEY 67 Cuba Street Petone married

*(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)*

George PUDNEY age 88 years died 1931 New Zealand  
*(Reference RGO NZ death registration 1931 folio website 1931/5470 age 88 born about 1843)*

Evening Post newspaper 10 August 1931  
Deaths – On 8<sup>th</sup> August 1931 at his residence 67 Cuba Street Petone George dearly beloved husband of Mary Pudney aged 88 years. Interred at Taita Cemetery this afternoon  
*(Reference Papers Past website Evening Post newspaper 10 August 1931 page1)*

Taita cemetery Old section block ACE plot 67  
George PUDNEY age 88 died 08 August 1931 buried 10 August 1931 performed by Rev Ramson denomination Church of England

George PUDNEY Petone Settler 1931 Probate records  
*(Reference Archives NZ Wellington 1931 Probate records AAOM 6029 721/ 49354)*

Mary PUDNEY age 80 years died 24 August 1932 New Zealand  
*(Reference RGO NZ death registration 1932 folio website 1932/7952 age 80 born about 1852)*

Evening Post newspaper 25 August 1932  
Deaths – Pudney – On 24<sup>th</sup> August 1932 at her late residence 67 Cuba Street Petone Mary widow of the late George Pudney aged 80 years  
*(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 25 August 1932 page 1)*

Evening Post newspaper 26 August 1932  
Funeral – The Friends of the late Mary Pudney are respectfully invited to attend her Funeral which will leave her late residence 37 Cuba Street Petone Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> August 1932 at 20.30 pm for the Taita Cemetery – J R Croft Undertaker Hutt and Petone Telephone 528 Hutt  
*(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 26 August 1932)*

Mary PUDNEY Petone widow 1932 Probate records  
*(Reference Archives NZ Wellington 1932 Probate records AAOM 6029 756/ 51506)*

Taita cemetery Old section block ACE plot 68  
Mary PUDNEY age 80 died 24 August 1932 buried 27 August 1932 performed by Rev Gerrard denomination Church of England

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## George and Mary PUDNEY their children and descendants

- 1- **Hilda PUDNEY** born 1883 New Zealand died 31 May 1949 Silverstream New Zealand 1<sup>st</sup> married 1899 New Zealand (divorced 1905) **William Henry EDWARDS** born 1878 New Zealand died 29 October 1936 Upper Hutt New Zealand 2<sup>nd</sup> married 1906 New Zealand **Patrick BURNS** born died New Zealand  
#Hilda PUDNEY was born 1883 New Zealand reference RGO NZ marriage registration 1883 folio website 1883/1058  
#Hilda PUDNEY age 11 years 7 months standard III Kaitoke School reference Archives NZ Wellington ADEX 16412 EB-W8 20/20 class schedules H-M 1895  
#William Henry EDWARDS born 1878 New Zealand reference RGO NZ birth registration 1878 folio website 1878/16655 parents Philedelphia (Benge) and Thomas Edwards  
#25 April 1899 Wellington Intention to marry application William Henry EDWARDS age 21 occupation Farm labourer bachelor dwelled Kaitoke 3 years and Hilda PUDNEY age 15 spinster dwelled Kaitoke 5 years intend to marry at Registrars Office Wellington by Deputy Registrar R TALBOT. George PUDNEY father gave consent for the minor to marry reference Archives NZ Wellington 1899 Intention to marry application Wellington agency BDM series 20 item 48 page 761 record 178  
#Hilda PUDNEY married 1899 New Zealand William Henry EDWARDS reference RGO NZ marriage registration 1899 folio website 1899/1925

- #William Henry EDWARDS Kaitoke carter residential 1900 Otaki Electoral Roll Wellington reference Ancestry New Zealand Electoral Rolls
- #Hilda EDWARDS Kaitoke married 1905-1906 Hutt Electoral Roll (1693) reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls & William Henry EDWARDS Kaitoke carter
- #The divorce suit of Hilda Edwards against W H Edwards, was heard by the Chief justice this morning. Mr Gray was counsel for the petitioner, respondent was not represented. Evidence was given that petitioner at fifteen years of age was married in 1899 to respondent, who was then aged 21. Shortly afterwards [1900] he left his wife, without giving any reason, and though he returned to the Upper Hutt district after a short absence he had not written to witness nor spoken to her. He had not contributed anything to her upkeep. It was understood that respondent left his wife because of some dispute between her father and himself. His Honour granted a decree nisi; with costs on the lowest scale reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 27 May 1905 page 4
- #Divorce Court Wellington 27 May In the Divorce Court today decrees nisi were granted in the cases Hilda Edwards v W H EDWARDS (and others) reference Papers past website Press newspaper 01 June 1905 page 9
- #Hilda PUDNEY married 1906 New Zealand Patrick BURNS reference RGO NZ marriage registration 1906 folio website 1906/6445
- #Hilda BURNS Kaitoke married 1911 Hutt Electoral Roll (1022) reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls & Patrick BURNS Kaitoke farmer
- #Hilda BURNS Taradale married 1914 Napier Electoral Roll (812) reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls & Patrick BURNS Taradale farmer
- #Hilda BURNS Taradale married 1919 Napier Electoral Roll (1114) reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls (no Patrick)
- #Hilda BURNS Manchester Hotel Fielding married 1928 Oroua Electoral Roll (995) reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls & Patrick BURNS Manchester Hotel Fielding hotelkeeper
- #Hilda BURNS died 1949 New Zealand reference RGO NZ death registration 1949 folio website 1949/24021 age 65 born about 1884
- #Hilda BURNS married Women Wellington from Masterton 1949 Probate records reference Archives NZ Wellington AAOM 6031 W3265 96/ 13418 1949
- 1-1- Dorothy Mary BURNS born 26 June 1908 New Zealand died 1983 New Zealand married 1926 New Zealand Dennis HOURIGAN born 25 May 1895 died 1976 New Zealand
- #Dorothy Mary BURNS born 1908 New Zealand reference RGO NZ birth registration 1908 folio website 1908/13400 parents Hilda and Patrick Burns
- #Dorothy Mary BURNS married 1926 New Zealand Dennis HOURIGAN reference RGO NZ marriage registration 1926 folio website 1926/8808
- #Denis HOURIGAN died 1976 New Zealand reference RGO NZ death registration 1976 folio website 1976/28797 born 26 June 19078 age 75
- #Dorothy Mary HOURIGAN died 1983 New Zealand reference RGO NZ death registration 1983 folio website 1983/28039 born 25 May 1895 age 80
- 1-2- George Patrick BURNS born 24 February 1910 New Zealand died 1980 New Zealand married 1933 New Zealand Alice Lilian HALL born 30 December 1911 died 2001 New Zealand
- #George Patrick BURNS born 1910 New Zealand reference RGO NZ birth registration 1910 folio website 1910/650 parents Hilda and Patrick Burns
- #George Patrick BURNS married 1933 New Zealand Alice Lilian HALL reference RGO NZ marriage registration 1933 folio website 1933/4437
- #George Patrick BURNS died 1980 New Zealand reference RGO NZ death registration 1980 folio website 1980/35997 born 24 February 1910 age 70
- #Alice Lilian BURNS died 2001 New Zealand reference RGO NZ death registration 2001 folio website 2001/11797 born 30 December 1911 age 89
- 1-3- Isabella Rose BURNS born 1914 New Zealand married CUMMING
- #Isabella Rose BURNS born 1914 New Zealand reference RGO NZ birth registration 1914 folio website 1914/4588 parents Hilda and Patrick Burns
- 1-4- Victor BURNS born New Zealand
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