People of the Yankalilla District



Manisty Family

Charles and Ann Sarah MANISTY

(Charles c1819 - 1895, Sarah c1802 - 1887)

Arrived in Yankalilla district: 1857

Settled at: Bullaparinga
Occupation: farmer

Buried: St James cemetery

Francis MANISTY

(c1843 - 1917), son of Charles and Sarah

Married: Agnes PARLOR (1853 - 1881) Arrived in Yankalilla district: 1857

Occupation: farmer

Buried: Francis and Agnes both buried in St James

Cemetery

Children of Francis and Agnes

Francis (1874 - 1876)

Charles (1877 - 1958) m Ruby NEWBOLD

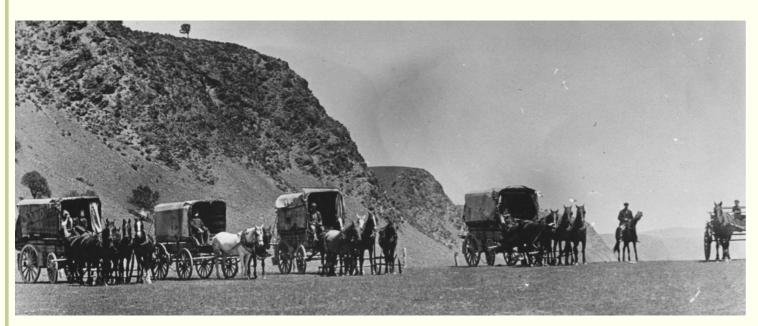
Benjamin (1881 - 1911) (buried in St James cemetery)

Charles and Ann Sarah Manisty and their four year old son Francis came out to South Australia from Scotland about 1847. Charles' father was a clergyman and his brother a High Court judge in England. The family came down to Bullaparinga in 1857 and began farming. At about 19 years of age Francis began buying land, and between 1864 and 1873 acquired a number of small sections near the Bullaparinga cemetery. His father Charles, however, was not doing as well as Francis and in 1872 was declared insolvent, Charles stating that he was chiefly supported by his son.

Francis married Agnes Parlor in 1873 and they had a son Francis the following year but he died at under two years of age. A son, Charles was born in 1877 and another son, Benjamin in 1881. Francis' wife Agnes died about a month after the birth of Benjamin. It is not recorded who helped Francis look after his two young boys (probably his mother Sarah). Francis carried on as a farmer in the Bullaparinga area for a number of years. Charles senior died in 1895 at Bullaparinga.

In 1909 or 1910 Francis' sons Charles and Benjamin moved to Normanville to take over the carrying business of A.R.D.Martin. Charles subsequently sold this business to Langdale & Baldwin and bought an allotment at 149 Main South Rd Yankalilla, where he set up a blacksmith business. His father Francis died there on 9 February 1917, aged 74 years and was buried in St James Cemetery.

Charles and his wife Ruby had five children, including twins Dorothy Pearl and Agnes Ruby. Charles' wife died in 1925 when the children were still young, and so they had to help their father with jobs on the property. Charles Manisty died in 1958 and was buried with his wife in Christ Church Cemetery. Pearl Manisty died in 2014, aged 100 years.



Manisty Carrier vans at Little Gorge Main South Rd circa 1915



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