



Welcome
to our bi-monthly
“Chained Mail”
which will keep you informed of
what is happening at our GSQ
Inc. Interest Group
“Convict Connections”



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DO YOU KNOW?

- Why there were female factories?
- What was their purpose?
- What were the conditons in the numerous female factories?

At our December meeting, Female Factories will be our theme for the day.

ON THE WEB

Are you keeping up with the progress of the on-line availability of the Australian Joint Copying Project (AJCP) records as they are being digitised by the National Library of Australia??

<https://www.nla.gov.au/content/australian-joint-copying-project>

200 years ago... *The Sydney Gazette* 25 Dec 1819 – GOVERNMENT AND GENERAL ORDERS.

Head Quarters, Parramatta, Saturday, 25th December, 1819.

SATURDAY Next being New Year's Day, the same is to be observed as a Holiday throughout the Colony, and the Government Artificers and Labourers are accordingly to be exempted from Work on that Day. The Deputy Commissary General is to direct the Issue from the King's Store of the usual Donation of Half-a-Pint of Spirits, and an extra Ration of One Pound of fresh Beef to each Non-Commissioned Officer, Drummer, and Private of the 48th Regiment, and Royal Veteran Company, including the Governor's Guard of Light Horse; as well to the Detachments of the several Corps now doing Duty at Head Quarters, and at the subordinate Stations of this Colony; and also an extra Ration of One Pound of fresh Beef to each of the Artificers and Labourers in the immediate Service of Government, on Saturday next, the 1st of January, in Honor of the Day.

By Command of His Excellency The Governor,
H. C. Antill, Major of Brigade.

OUR DECEMBER MEETING 2019

Join us for a day of fun, feast and activities. Bring a plate to share for lunch. Learn about one of the lesser known Matrons of the Parramatta Female Factory – Mrs Julia Leach – how she was appointed and why she was forced to resign. Will you be sent to 1st Class, 2nd Class or 3rd Class?

**Convict Connections
wishes all
a very Merry Christmas and
the enthusiasm to begin the New Year's
researching of your ancestry.**