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## Frances Ann Barnett [b.2.8.1]

**Frances Ann (Fanny) Barnett** was the first child of [William Barnett](#) & Ann Matthews born August 23rd, 1826 & christened October 24th, 1826 at Hambleden, Bucks.

In 1841 Fanny & her brothers & sisters were living at Saunderton Grange where her father was a farmer.

At the time of the 1851 census Fanny was visiting Frances & John Hamlyn, an Inspector of Taxes, at 3 Maids Causeway, Holy Trinity, Cambridge.

In 1861 Fanny was visiting her aunt & uncle, Hannah & Joseph Barnett [b.2.9] at Common Barn Farm, Horseshoe Common, Remenham, Berks.

By 1871 Fanny was living at 9 St Peter Terrace, Hammersmith, Chelsea, London & described as living on income from investment of money. She had 2 visitors at the time of the census – Ann (48) & Louisa (18) Saunders. She also employed a domestic servant.

On November 13th, 1874 Fanny married Henry Jeanneret M.D. (formerly Superintendent of the Aborigines of Tasmania & Commandant of Bass Straits) at The Abbey Church, St Mary's, Great Malvern, Worcs. An entry in the Protestant Dissenters' birth registry on March 18th, 1803 shows that Henry was born on December 31st, 1802 at #44 The Poultry in the Parish of St Mary, Colechurch London, the son of Sarah Johnson Warren & Lewis Francis James Jeanneret.

Henry had previously married Harriet Merrett on December 3rd, 1832 in Sydney, with whom he had 7 children. Harriet died in June 1873.

Henry practiced medicine & dentistry in Australia from c1829 before being appointed Superintendent of the Aborigines on Flinders Island in 1842. Although his career there was turbulent he made significant contributions to both medicine & natural history in Sydney & Tasmania. Henry & his family returned to England in 1851. In 1853 Henry was cited in the Insolvent Debtors' Court. Henry, a surgeon, promised to pay £50 a year if he was allowed to carry on his business in Great Tichfield St, London & retain his furniture. The Commissioner stated that he must either pay the amount he owed or the furniture must be given up by a stipulated date. It appears that Henry had a long-standing grievance concerning his lack of recompense for land he was allocated in Australia. He even wrote to Queen Victoria herself about this matter on a number of occasions. Perry's Bankrupt Gazette of May 4th 1861 indicates that Henry was still insolvent.

In 1881 Fanny & Henry were living at 2 Eldon Villas, Eldon Rd, Cheltenham, Gloucs. They had a 14 year old domestic servant. Henry's occupations were listed as many & varied & included: 'physician surgeon, apothecary, dentist, oculist, artist, author, geologist, chemist'.

Henry died on June 16th, 1886 at 2 Eldon Villas, Cheltenham. Administration of his estate was granted to widow Fanny & his effects were £105.

Fanny could not be found in the 1891 census. Widowed Fanny was still living at 2 Eldon Villas in 1901. With her at the time of the census was her sister Susan Elizabeth Barnett [b.2.8.5], secretary of the Tramp's Mission. They had a general domestic servant.

Fanny died at 2 Eldon Villas on November 2nd, 1901. Probate was granted to sister Susan Elizabeth Barnett & her effects were £418.5s.