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**ANNE HALE**

**Diary, 1865-70**

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## **HISTORICAL NOTE**

Anne Hale (1833-1912) was the daughter of Robert Blagden Hale MP of Alderley House, Gloucestershire. Matthew Blagden Hale, the first Bishop of Western Australia (1857-75, was her uncle. In 1912, following the deaths of her two brothers, she inherited Alderley House, but she died a month later.

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#### **Diary, 15 December 1865-31 December 1870**

The diary contains one line entries for each day, succinctly recording the weather, events on Unumgar Station on the Richmond River in northern New South Wales. It refers to visits by neighbours, the departure of drays and station hands travelling to Ipswich, Brisbane, Toowoomba and other places and their return, the arrival of mails and stores, the mustering and slaughter of cattle, fencing, the movement of local Aborigines, floods, horse-riding, race meetings, picnics, a Christmas dinner for Aborigines (1868), and the birthdays and illnesses of Hale's children.

At the beginning of the diary is a record of the heights of the children, 1868-76

At the end of the 1866 and 1867 entries are lists of Aboriginal men and women who has been given blankets.