**Beecroft School – Willabah**

**The Cumberland Mercury, Sat 14 Oct 1893**

Brief Mention.

Miss Ogden, of Willabah School, Beecroft, resumed duties on the 6th instant.

**The Cumberland Argus and Fruitgrowers Advocate, Sat 23 Dec 1899**

“Willabah School”,”Beecroft.

“Willabah”School, conducted by Miss Ogden, broke up for the Christmas vacation last Tuesday. An excellent entertainment was given by the pupils to a highly appreciative and numerous audience consisting of visitors from Sydney, Strathfield, Pennant Hills, Epping and Rhodes. It was the first entertainment of its kind at “Willabah.” Admirably grouped tableaux vivants formed the chief feature of the programme, “Blue Beard’s wives,” “Brimstone and Treacle,” ”You dirty boy,” and “Good night” being exceptionally well presented. Several pianoforte solos were also cleverly rendered. The following young people particularly distinguished themselves Dorothy Whittell, Flora McCall, Hilda Holcombe, Katie McMillan, Bessie Stobo, Doris Tucker, Harold Ogden, Clement Meadmore, Alice Chorley, Jeane Dobbie, Irene Thompson, Nellie Dongers, Phyllis Meadmore, Mabel Chorley, Rupert Tucker, Leila Conley, Gladys Allard and Flo Tucker.

**The Sydney Morning Herald, Tue 30 Jan 1900**

Family Notices

Deaths.

OGDEN. – January 29, at his residence, Willabah, Beecroft, in his 79th year, George Ogden, formerly surveyor to the Australian Agricultural Company.

**The Cumberland Argus and Fruitgrowers Advocate, Sat 17 Mar 1900**

Beecroft.

**Dancing Classes**. – Residents of Beecroft will be pleased to learn, from an advertisement in another column, that Miss Ogden has made arrangements with Miss Beatrice Long, who was a pupil of Mrs. Warskitts, for seven years, to conduct dancing classes in the Willabah schoolroom on Saturday afternoons and evenings. It is hoped that many will avail themselves of this opportunity to attend a class near home.

**The Cumberland Argus and Fruitgrowers Advocate, Sat 22 Sep 1900**

Beecroft.

**Social**. – The members of the Kennedya Lawn Tennis Club were last week the guests of Mrs. Chorley, of Cheltenham, who invited them to a social evening in Miss Ogden’s school at Beecroft. The building had been very tastefully decorated for the occasion. Dancing to excellent music was indulged in; and a sumptuous supper was provided.

**The Cumberland Argus and Fruitgrowers Advocate, Sat 27 Dec 1902**

Beecroft.

WILLABAH SCHOOL. – The village was *en fete* on Thursday evening, the occasion being the breakup of “Willabah” school for the Christmas holidays. The scholars met in the school hall and a most pleasant evening was spent. Dancing, singing and recitations made the happy hours fly. The opportunity was taken to invite all the old pupils of “Willabah” to be present. A large number availed themselves of meeting once again their former schoolmates. The Misses Ogden are relinquishing the school after ten very successful years. These ladies opened the school with only a handful of pupils and it has been very gratifying to observe the steady progress from year to year. Miss Sampson, who is taking over the school, has already been assisting for some time. She comes with a considerable amount of scholastic experience, gained chiefly at Miss Wallace’s school “Äscham,” Darling Point, and also at Tamworth.

**The Cumberland Argus and Fruitgrowers Advocate, Sat 15 Dec 1917**

PERSONAL PARS.

Mrs. Ogden, of “Willabah,” Beecroft-road, Beecroft, and her daughter, have gone to take up their residence at Mudgee.