Gottfried Thimme born 1772 in Hohnstein, Osterude, OstPreussen (East Prussia) was a Lutheran and a watchmaker. Amalia's mother was Anna Barbara Opfermann and they were married in Heiligenstadt around 1803 when Gottfried was aged 31 years. From this marriage the children were-

- 1.Carl b.1803.
- 2.Georg b.1807.
- 3.Regina b.1809.
- 4.Catharine b.1812.
- 5.Juliane b. 1814.
- 6.Julia b.1815.
- 7.Carolina Elisabetha, b.1817.
- 8.Charlotte b.1818.
- 9.Maria Anna Wilhelmina ,b.1819.
- 10.Bertha, b.1820.
- 11.Catherine b. 1820.
- 12.Carl b.1821.
- 13.Christoph.b.1822.
- 14.Maria Anna Christina, b.1823.
- 15.Amalia b. 24-10-1824.
- 16.Georg b.1825.
- 17.Gottfried b.1827.

City records show the family's address as House 508, Prinzenstrasse, House 4 as Lodgers.

- 1818-19-House 561, Paulinestrasse, House 5 as owners.
- 1821-22-House 156, Lange Geismarsstrasse, House 31.
- 1829-1855-House 615, Johannistrasse, House 25.

Anna Barbara's occupation at marriage was listed as a milliner. Gottingen was a university town founded in 1734 by King George 2, King of England and Elector of Hanover and opened in 1737. It is still ranked today as one of Germany's most prestigious institutions. On a plaque on the restaurant wall a sign reads in Latin-

There is no life outside Gottingen. Even if it is life, it is no life like here!

The main export was textiles, cotton and linen which the German women did in their homes as cottage industry but all this changed in the 1840's when the country underwent an industrial revolution resulting in massive social and economic upheaval. So that was how Amalia left her homeland sometime during the 1840's to seek a better life in Ireland at Lord and Lady Dunnimore's Manor at 13 Cuffe Street in Dublin. This is where she was employed as a maid and met George Dixon who was also a servant. A story passed down from generation to generation has it that Amalia acted as a Lady-in-waiting to Queen Victoria whenever she visited Dublin as she was a second cousin to Prince Albert, Queen Victoria's consort, on her mother's side as both were descended from the Hanovers..

CHILDREN OF GEORGE AND AMALIA DIXON-

1.BARBARA-born 4th August 1850 at Fremantle.

i Barbara DIXON, born 4 Aug 1850 in Fremantle, Western Australia., died 24 Feb 1939 in 45 Mary St, Longeuville, N.S.W., cause of death – Senility.

She married Frederick GREAVES, 1866 in Fremantle, Western Australia., born c1838 in England, died 19 April 1918 in Sydney, N.S.W., occupation 1856 as a Sign Painter. Frederick: Frderick Greaves was born in 1839. On 17 August 1857 he was convicted in the Central Criminal Courts and sentenced to Life for "Threats to accuse someone of an infamous crime", he was imprisoned in Bermuda. He was transpoted to Australia per "Merchantman" on 16 February 1863, convict number 6872. He recieved his 'ticket of leave' on 19 February 1864 and a 'conditional pardon' on 27 August 1869 in Fremantle. He worked as a Labourer in 1964 and by April he was employed as a Clerk. Form 1872 to 1877 he was a Pawnbroker in Perth. On arrival to Australia he was described as :- 5'4", Light hair, Blue eyes, Fair complexion, of SLight apearance and Very Good character. In 1966 he married Barbara Dixon and had 3 children, with one child only living for 9 days. He went to Singapore on 10 April 1873 per "James Wilson", to Pt De Galle on 20 January 1877 then returned to Fremantle, then went back to Singapore on 11 October 1878. By 1882 they were in Sydney, N.S.W. were they had one more child. Frederick Greaves died in 1918 at the Rockwood Asylum, Granville, N.S.W.

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> Frank GREAVES, born 19 Aug 1867 in Fremantle, Western Australia., died 1890 in Manly, New South Wales. ii Charles GREAVES, born 1869 in Fremantle, Western Australia., died 1869 in

> Fremantle, Western Australia. 9 days old. iii Maud Lucy GREAVES, born 1871 in Fremantle, Western Australia., died post

1939.

iv Palmerston George Dixon GREAVES, born 1882 in New South Wales., died post 1939 in Sydney, New South Wales., resided 1939 at 45 Mary St, Longeuville, New South Wales.