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Title

Digging for Gold: Locating British Miners and their Records

Summary

Many miners coming to Australia came with skills learned in the hard rock and coal mines of the British Isles. Learn about the records they created, where to locate them, and how to put them into social context.

Abstract

Hard rock and coal miners are all over the British Isles and many took their skills overseas. Identify the tools needed to find places of origin, explore the British Mining Database, and learn about mining history and how to put your miner into a true social context. Issues covered include:

- Tools for finding places of origin
- British Mining Database
- Mining history
- Learn the differences between hard rock and coal mining
- Learn how to find definitions of technical and colloquial terms
- Put your miner into a social history context
- Accessing publications and records

(Note: Paul Milner is a former Mining Engineer having worked underground in England and Australia, and as an exploration geologist in the USA)

Audience

All levels