

***DIED 100 YEARS AGO IN
NEW SOUTH WALES***

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Sir—Perhaps the following would be of interest to your large circle of readers. It has been copied from a headstone in the old Catholic cemetery of East Maitland, which is about 20 miles inland from Newcastle :

“ Erected by Philip Ryan in memory of his brother, Michael Ryan, of Swan Reach, a native of Thornback, Co. Kilkenny, Ireland, who has been circumvented of his just and legal property, prosecuted by wilful and corrupt perjury, returned guilty by an infamous and bigoted jury, for being a sincere patriot, and sentenced wrongfully by the laws of the land. Died on the 28th Sept., 1859.”

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