

Osborn Abling Henry
(Uncle of Robert & Augustang)

Abling Henry Osborn, youngest son of Abling Osborn of Umatac and Sea Cow Lake Sugar Estate and who passed on in 1961 aged 89, gave this historian a first hand description of a concreter at work
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With respect to the cane supply to the Newlands mill it is interesting to note that this historian's uncle, Mr Abling Osborn, who spent his boyhood on the Umatac and Sea Cow Lake Estates, said just before his passing that he could remember seeing cane for Kennedy's mill being thrown from the top of surrounding cliffs to the mill yard below etc etc

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Arling Osborn

Manager of the Piesang River Estate, ^(situate on the Ungeni, north of Sea Cow Lake) for ^{Jeweera} ^{← Cane first planted 1857} ^{discontinued 1861} ^{as sugar estate.}
2nd 1861/70 ^{Philip} in partnership with ^{Jeweera} in new estate, Umtata Sugar Estate

He was brother of Sir Melmoth Osborn, first British Commissioner in Zululand, was born in the Cape and was a son of Dr Robert Osborn sent out by the Imperial Government.

Arling and his brother came overland to Natal in 1849 with Mr Masham, later a well known Natal magistrate. Masham and the two young men started in Durban as landing agents, but after two years entered the public service in the law courts, etc etc.

In extent the Umtata estate, ^{Jeweera in partnership with Arling Osborn} covered a little more than 1120 acres and was bounded on the south and west by the Ungeni Sugar Co and the north and east by Shere's and Isabelle's estate. 1867 ^{Jeweera insolvent & Umtata sold to Natal Plantations Co. Still managed by Arling Osborn in 1870}
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See also ref pg 9-12 Notes on Natal Old Colonists Book on Umtata Sugar Estate

Osborn garden

" Relative of my husband is R Moss garden Osborn,
son of late William Osborn who used to be Durban
librarian He lives at Greenwood Park. Born 1855
Letter Dorothy Moss to Kellie Campbell 2 Jan 1943

Osborn William, J.P. Librarian & Hon. Secretary Durban
Public Library since 1895

Born in Surrey

married daughter of late David Stanley, Warwickshire

Came to South Africa in 1891

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