

THE ORIGINS OF AUSTRALIAN FREEMASONRY

This lecture traces the establishment of Freemasonry in Australia from the landing of the first Freemason in 1770, through the failed attempts to create a Masonic movement, and the eventual successes achieved with the help of the Grand Lodge of Ireland and the military lodges stationed in the new colony. The problems of the rivalry between the Irish English and Scottish constitutions until the formation of a United Grand Lodge in each of the Australian states.