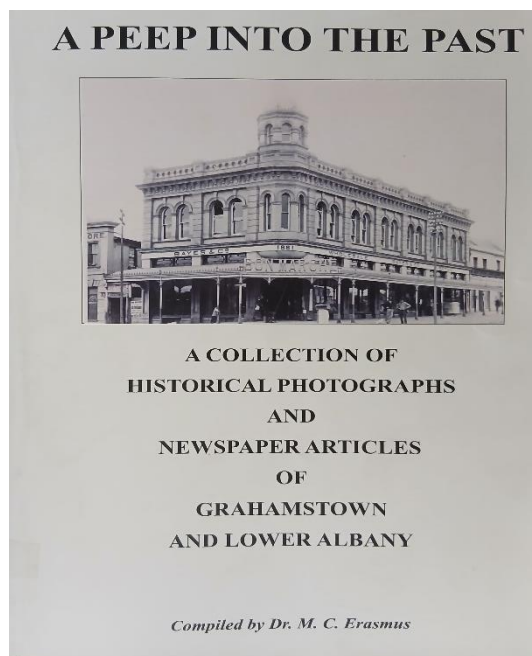


FEATURED BOOK OF THE MONTH

A Peep into the Past: A Collection of Historical Photographs and Newspaper Articles of Grahamstown and Lower Albany

Compiled by Dr. M. C. Erasmus

In this beautifully compiled collection of early photographs and reprinted Grocott's Mail newspaper articles on the history of Grahamstown and its surroundings come to life. The first part of the book comprises hundreds of historic photographs with captions. The second part consists of a selection of articles printed in the Grocott's Mail in times past.



The early photographs include:

Wagons in Church Square, Upper High Street, Lower High Street, Bathurst Street, Baye's Corner, City Hall and Jubilee Memorial Tower, Hill Street, The Drostdy and Military Barracks, the Observatory Museum, Artificers Square, Haytons Building, Upper High Street, The Military Provost, Market Square, Fire Tenders and Fires, Old Hospitals, Fort England, Fort Selwyn, Cory Lantern slides, Beaufort Street, churches of Grahamstown, Monuments, Houses and Buildings of Yesteryear, Cars of Yesteryear, early paintings of Grahamstown, Printing works, trains and station, airport, 1898 Grahamstown exhibition, cinemas, windmills, panoramic views of Grahamstown, Schools, The Albany Museum, People and Groups, and miscellaneous photos.

In addition a number of historical newspaper articles in Grocott's Mail, selected and introduced by Eric Turpin, were reprinted from 1961-1969. Some of the early articles include: A Start of the Jetty, Bathurst and Kowie Inns, the Battle of the Koonap Heights, Capper's Ferry on the Sundays River, Fingoes Watch While Residents Sleep, Grahamstown Makes History in Nursing Field, Grahamstown-The First 25 Years, Kowie 1881, Pioneer Road Builder, Skirmishes in the Frontier Wars, Some Early Taverns on the Great Post Road, The Diary of Joseph Stirk, the Kowie's Last Tug, The Last Wagons Made Here, Settlers of Southwell, Grahamstown and Port Alfred Railway, Blaauwkrantz Bridge Disaster, and many more.

This book is available to read and enjoy by appointment at the Lower Albany Historical Society library. The library is located in the Settlers Retirement Village. To make an appointment contact any Historical Society board member.