Who: Mac

From: Great-Great-Great-Great

Grandfather, England

**When:** 1842





The Rushes came from somewhere in England, something beginning with C, it's a town.

They arrived when the photos were black and grey. They probably came by boat to Canvastown. Maybe they came to get rich and find gold. They probably found gold because they got a house and had to walk down a bush track

All the family came to NZ. Some came later. Maybe it was too dark and not the best place to stay forever.

They would have brought their favourite stuff like teddies, pictures of their family who had died, a rifle, seeds and clothes. They weren't good believers so they wouldn't have a bible. The Rushes are Mac's ancestors on his mother's side.

Francis Bine Rush was Mac's Great, Great, Great, Great Grandfather and he brought his family to New Zealand on the Bolton arriving on 15 March 1842. Mac is a descendent of his third son Francis Rush and his son Arthur Rush.

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Arthur was born in 1870 at Canvastown. Mac's family still own the old home at Canvastown where Mac has holidays.

