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# Frontier Wars in Australia (1788 – 1930s)

## Student Research Guide

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The screenshot shows the Oxford Reference website interface. At the top, there is a search bar and navigation tabs for 'Subject' and 'Reference Type'. Below this, a 'Back to Results' link is visible. The main content area features a book cover for 'The Oxford Companion to Australian History' on the left. To the right of the cover, the title is displayed, followed by the editors: 'Edited by: Graeme Davison, John Hirst, and Stuart Macintyre'. A descriptive paragraph follows, stating that the book draws on the latest scholarship and covers various aspects of Australian society, politics, and culture. On the far right, there is a biographical note for Graeme Davison, identifying him as a professor at Monash University and listing several of his notable works.

The [Britannica Library](#) has articles, images and more, with a selection of resources especially for teenagers.



The screenshot displays the Britannica Library Teens website. The header includes the '250' anniversary logo, the site name 'Britannica Library Teens', and search and menu icons. The main visual is a large graphic of the Australian Aboriginal flag (black, red, and white horizontal stripes with a yellow circle in the center). Below the graphic, the article title 'Australian Aboriginal peoples' is prominently displayed. To the left, a 'TABLE OF CONTENTS' sidebar lists sections: 'Introduction', 'Origins and Beliefs', 'Traditional Culture', and 'European Contact and Cultural Change'. The 'Introduction' section is currently selected. Below the title, there are navigation icons for back, star, print, share, and volume control. At the bottom, there are tabs for 'Article', 'Images & Videos', and 'Related'.

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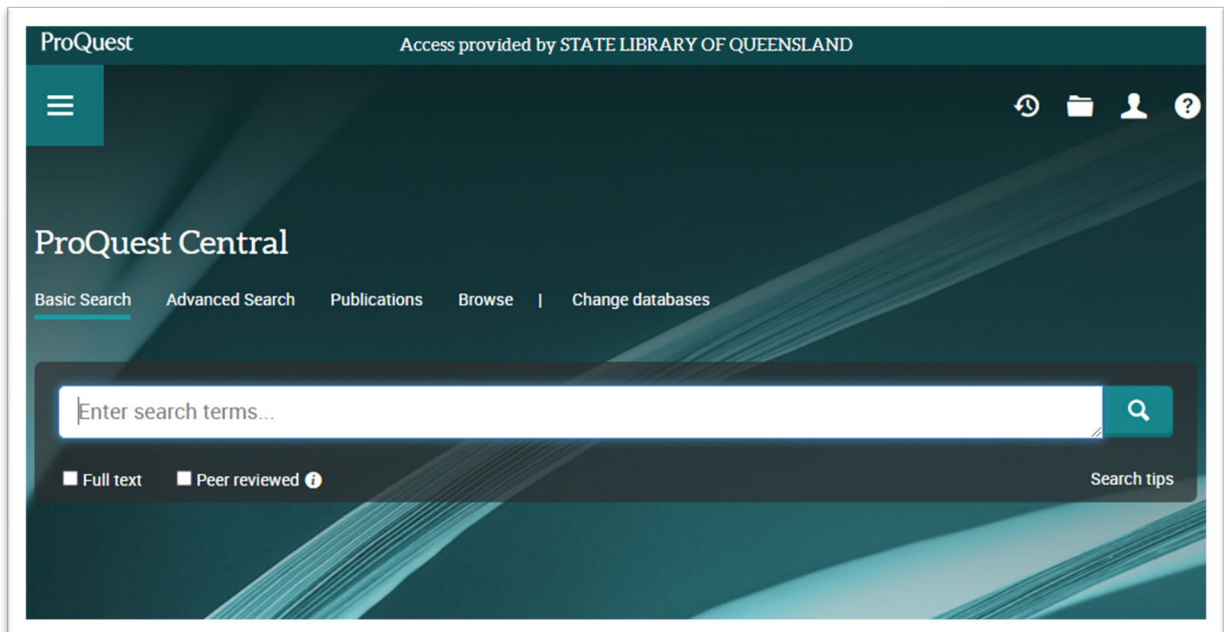
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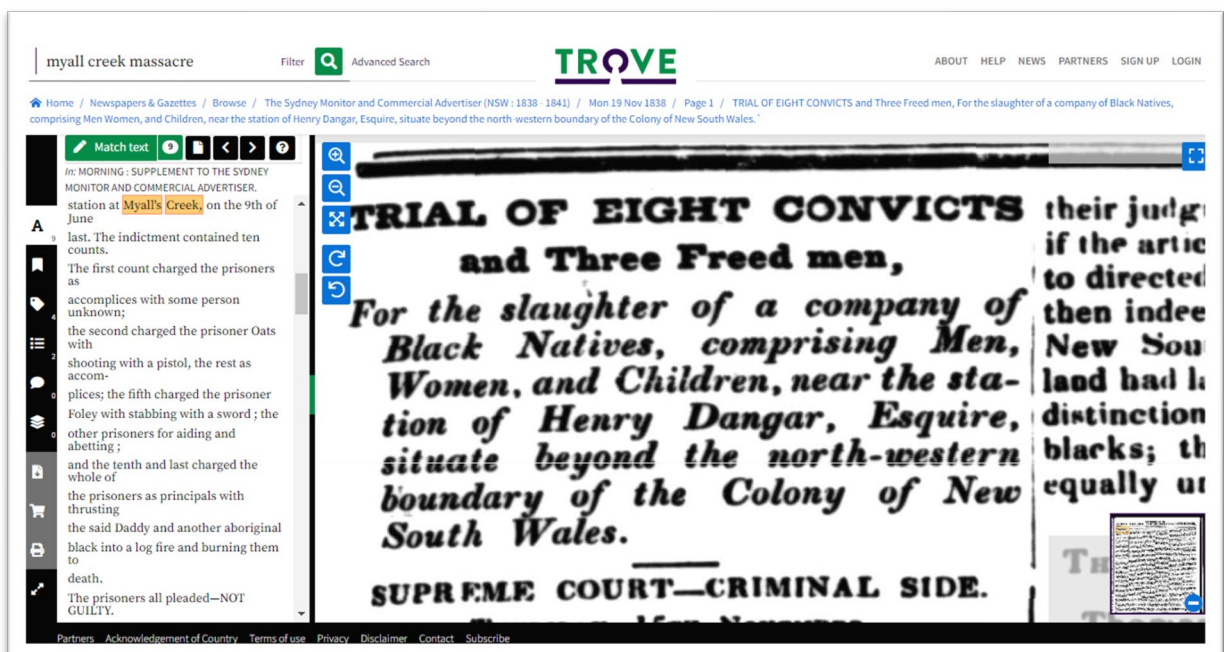
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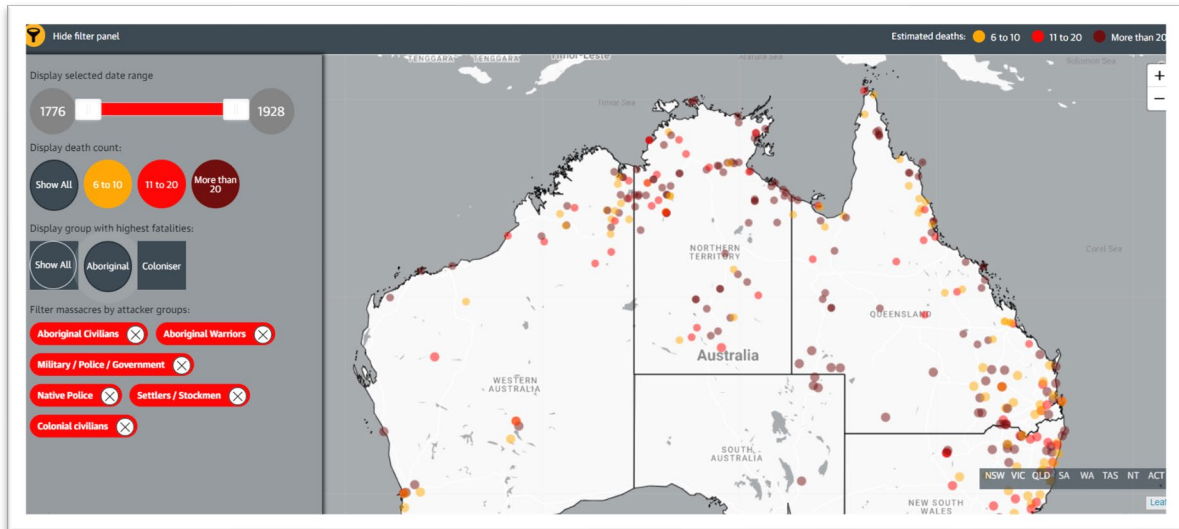
## Newspapers

[Trove](#) provides access to historical Australian newspapers published between 1803 and 1954.



## Useful websites

[The Killing Times](#) includes an interactive map of sites where violence occurred on the Australian frontier. The map presents the [University of Newcastle's research into Colonial Frontier Massacres in Australia, between 1788 and 1930](#).



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A chronological listing that highlights the kinds of incidents that occurred across Queensland involving the Native Police and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

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