



Edward Garvey was born in County Mayo in Ireland in 1835. After service in the Crimean War, Garvey enlisted in the Otago Mounted Police. On 23rd September 1863, Garvey and Mounted Constable McDonald set out to inspect a new rush of Clarke's on Mount Burster where they arrived the next day. Unable to find feed for their horses, they departed that same day, together with a baker, Harry McGee. As falling snow blanketed the track, the three men disagreed over directions, Garvey making his way alone. McDonald arrived back at the Hogburn on 26th September and a search party was organized. On 30th September, Garvey's body was found, beside a rock on the Hawkdun Mountains, his horse grazing nearby. Sergeant Ryan of the Hogburn came in for some criticism over an alleged delay in organising a search party, but he was eventually cleared. At the head of Long Spur, on Hut Creek, is a cairn which serves as a memorial to Sergeant Garvey.