HENRY LAWSONS

The house of Henry Lawson's parents has been built as a memorial to Henry Lawson and his ability as a poet. It was originally located at Burundree, near Mudgee, which was located near a gold field.

There are some differences of opinion about the house itself, while its present finish at the moment is exactly as it was as described in books and by a living past resident.

Later research has revealed that the back two rooms of this building were actually a hotel.

There was also a bark kitchen at the back of this, in which all the meals were originally cooked and later just became a store room for the Lawson family. After the Lawsons, other families lived here until the house was eventually pulled down in the first part of this century.

Henry Lawson spent quite a few years here and in fact it is believed that various rooms, particularly at the back, the kitchen and dining room,—the last room on the end of the slab wing—inspired many of the works that he wrote later in his life.

The dining room was wallpapered with newspaper. The front two rooms were built by Henry Lawson's father, who was reputed to be a good carpenter and joiner and built the school at Burundree as well as many others. These two rooms were built from left-overs from the school.