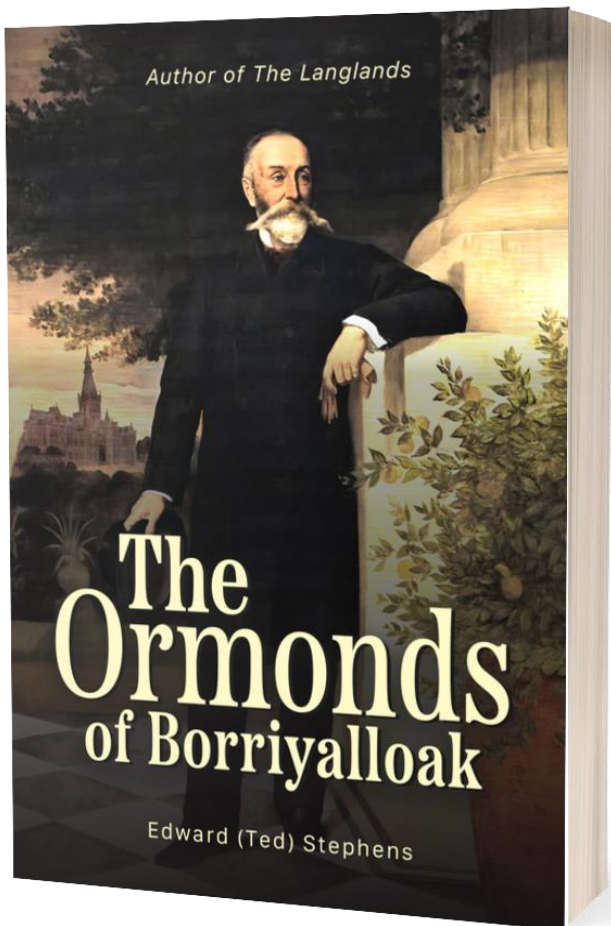


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With much to be credited to his name, Francis Ormond, the man, remains a mystery to many.

Inside, the life of this forgotten pioneer is delved into and explored with authentic research and passion for the content of the subject.

Originating in a time of knighthoods and honours, Ormond lived a life without significance or recognition, giving much of his wealth to the betterment of the community.

*Despite a life full of loss, Ormond had a profound impact on the building of education for the future generations and the culture of his work would evolve to many levels beyond his own history being told. A story of a loving family who left an indelible mark on the early Australia.*

## ABOUT THE AUTHOR



Ted Stephens was raised in a family very aware of its roots. His father was involved with writing the histories of Nhill and Horsham. His mother too, often told the stories handed down to her from her grandmother who was brought up in the Ballarat goldfields. This is his second book, following his debut work *The Langlands*.

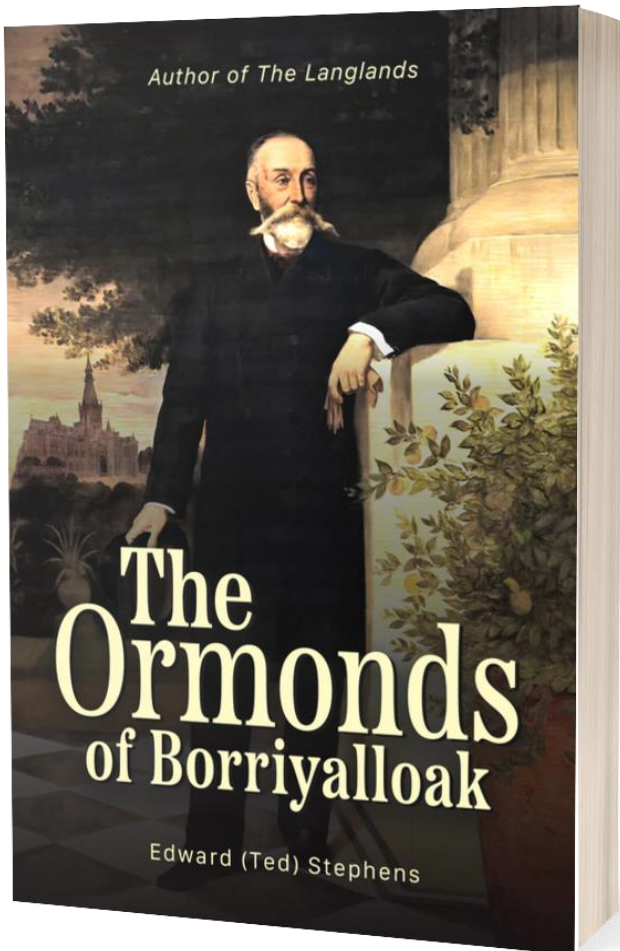
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## A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR

**Why did you write this book? What were your inspirations?**

I read a plaque on the roadside at Shelford about the Ormond family and was so impressed with what I discovered; I felt this story had to be told.

**How long do you spend researching before beginning a book?**

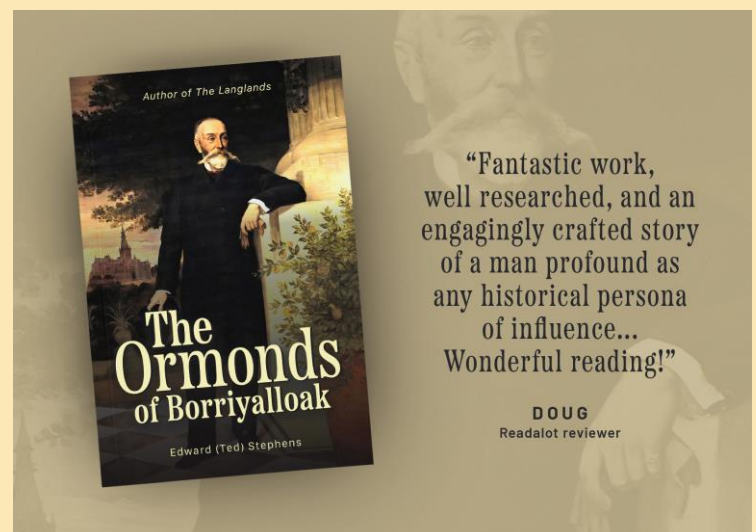
I start first, and then research when one knows what questions to ask.

**What does literary success look like to you?**

People saying: "I enjoyed that!"

**If you could tell your younger writing self anything, what would it be?**

Start writing at a younger age.



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