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- Packers Camp Named after the place where the horse, mule and bullock teams were loaded for the trip over the range to the goldfields. Originally known as Highclere (Receiving Office - 1895) and changed to Highleigh in 1896, the office closed in 1898. Reopened as Packers Camp Post Office in 1951, it was closed again in 1971.
- Palm Cove Situated to the south of Buchans Point, the area was originally known as Buchans Beach. Around 1881, it was developed into a substantial farming plantation, known as Buchans Estate, and growing all manner of fruits, including some 2,000 palms. Doubtless because of the coconuts, the locals deemed the area Palm Beach. To avoid confusion with Palm Beach Sydney, the area became commonly known as Palm Cove.
- Paramatta Park Named after Parramatta in Sydney when it was subdivided in 1886. The word Park was added to avoid confusion with the Sydney suburb. Another version of the origin of the name is that it was derived from the name of a local hotel in the late nineteenth century.
- Portsmith Named after William (Old Bill) Smith (circa 1825-1877), a European pioneer of the Cairns area and discoverer of Smith's Track to the Tableland area. Another version of how Portsmith was named is that it was named after the landing on Smiths Creek, the creek being named after Bill Smith who camped there in 1876.