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NB: The following is prepared from Falkland Islands Registers and files – there may be other family born outside the Falklands. Unless stated otherwise, all dated births, deaths and marriages occurred in the Falklands and all numbered graves are in Stanley Cemetery. Various spellings of names are recorded as written at the time.

**David EARLE** started work for the Falkland Islands Company Limited 1 September 1883 on a monthly wage of £5-10-0. [FIC Ledger III, pg 471] There is no mention of him in the letter books as being brought down on contract and no other shepherds appear to have started at the same time. There was no further mention found until David, recorded as an English shepherd living at Hillhead, was married to **Elizabeth Ann MELVILLE**, 30 July 1885 at Mrs Armstrong's house, Darwin, according to the rites & ceremonies of Presbyterian Church by Governor's licence by William Hill Philip, Minister. The witnesses were William Armstrong and Sarah Armstrong. David's father was recorded as William Earle, carpenter and Elizabeth's father was recorded as Charles Melville, harbour master. Elizabeth was born 25 April 1856 in Stanley and was living at Darwin at the time of the marriage. Elizabeth died 12 July 1908 at Hillside, Mount Pleasant, age 51, of heart failure and is buried in Grave Ei696. [Obituary CM Aug 1908]

David finished working for the Falkland Islands Company Ltd 14 February 1913. David departed for Liverpool on the *Oronsa* 16 April 1913. When Arthur married in 1919 David was recorded as being a shepherd and, according to the account of the wedding, living in Norwich, England.

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## FIRST GENERATION

## Children of David & Elizabeth EARLE:

- 1. Charles EARLE born 17 July 1886 at Hillhead. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Worked for the Falkland Islands Company Limited from 10 May 1906 until 15 May 1912 on £5-0-0 a month and was in the North Arm area in 1907 and 1911. [FIC Ledger VII, pg 644, 711; VIII 105-106, 535, 617] Married to Mary Jessie McLEOD 5 June 1912 in the Nonconformist Church (Tabernacle) by Robert Johnson, Nonconformist Minister. The witnesses were Arthur Earle and Mary McIntosh Campbell. Mary's father was recorded as Kenneth McLeod, deceased. Charles' occupation was recorded as labourer. Mary was born 15 April 1889. Charles and Mary departed 11 June 1912 on the *Orcoma*, which was bound for Liverpool.
- 2. **William EARLE** born 4 August 1888 at Hillhead, Darwin. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Worked for the Falkland Islands Company Ltd from 23 March 1904 until 4 June 1913, starting as a Boy on £3-0-0 per month and finishing as a Shepherd on £5-10-0 a month. [FIC Ledger VII, pg 424, 460; VIII 455-456, 713] May have been employed by them after this. In 1924 his occupation was shepherd and he went to New Zealand on holiday with his brother Arthur and his family.
- 3. **Arthur EARLE** born 16 March 1892 at Hillhead House. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Arthur started work with the Falkland Islands Company Ltd 3 September 1908 and worked for them until at least 31 December 1913, earning £5-0-0 a month. [FIC Ledger VIII, pg 179-180, 595-596, 769] Arthur, a mariner, married to **Margaret Ann MORRISON** 4 June 1919 at Christ Church Cathedral by Banns by J Stanley Smith, Clerk in Holy Orders. The witnesses were William Earle and Salvia Middleton Morrison. Margaret's father was recorded as Kenneth Morrison, shepherd. [Account of wedding CM August 1919] Margaret was born 14 December 1892 at Hill Foot. The family went on holiday to New Zealand in 1924 with Arthur's brother, William. Arthur died 24 March 1950, age 58, from a coronary occlusion and is buried in Grave Q1425. He was a barman at the Globe Hotel at the time. Margaret emigrated to the UK in 1952.