

## ROBINS FAMILY

*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. Any variations which may occur in the spellings of names are recorded as written in the records at the time.*

**James Charles ROBINS** was born 30 January 1858 (*not in the Falkland Islands*).

James was married to **Emma Jane PERRITON** (*not in the Falkland Islands*).

James came to the Falkland Islands as chief engineer on the South American Missionary Society's schooner *Allen Gardiner* circa February 1884.

Emma and three children arrived from Dartmouth Saturday 23 August 1890 on board the *Neko*. [H45; 54]

A try works was erected at San Carlos in the 1892/1893 season and James was appointed the manager. [FIM June 1893]

On 4 July 1893 James, an engineer living in Stanley, purchased Crown Grant 265 being *one rood and numbered Lot D Sec C No 14 bounded on the north by land formerly Court house yard and garden in the possession of the Crown but now in possession of the Stanley Assembly Room Company 92 links; on the south by Crown land – a public road 92 links; on the west by land belonging to F Newman 269 links; on the east by land formerly belonging to the Reverend J Foran and now in possession of William Wickham Bertrand Esq 269 links* for £40. On 15 August 1894 James sold the land to the Stanley Assembly Room Company for £45. [BUG/REG/5; 10, 43]

James departed 17 August 1894 on board the *Neko* bound for Punta Arenas.

Emma and four children departed 17 February 1895 for the west coast of Chile on board the *Serapis*.

Circa 1898 James was appointed inspecting engineer by Braun and Blanchard in Punta Arenas.

During World War I James and was living on the estancia Segunda Argentina.

James, age 64, died Sunday morning 10 December 1922 in the British-American Hospital in Valparaiso, Chile and was buried in the Municipal Cemetery, Punta Arenas. [Obituary FIM Mar 1923]

## FIRST GENERATION

### Children of James and Emma ROBINS:

1. **Herbert George ROBINS** born circa 1879 (*not in the Falkland Islands*). During World War I Herbert and was living on the estancia Segunda Argentina. Herbert, a farmer living in Punta Arenas, was married to **Katharine Harriet CHAPMAN**, living in Punta Arenas, 20 January 1920 according to the law of the country and the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England by John Williams, acting British chaplain. The witnesses were James Charles Robins, Bernard H Townsend and Alexander Cameron. Herbert's father was recorded as James Charles Robins, consulting engineer, and Katharine's father was recorded as George Parsons Chapman, farmer. Herbert, age 42 and of Santa Cruz, died 16 November 1921 and was buried in the Municipal Cemetery, Punta Arenas. Herbert was supposed to been killed by Revoltosos in their second strike of the Patagonia Rebelde.
2. **Ethel Emma ROBINS** born 8 July 1884 (*not in the Falkland Islands*). Ethel, age 25 & living in Punta Arenas, was married to **Robert Greenshields DOUGLAS**, age 28 & a farmer living in Punter Arenas, 28 May 1910 in St James' Church, Punta Arenas according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England after civil marriage on the same day by J Stanley Smith. The witnesses were John W Douglas and M Robins O. Robert's father was recorded as William Douglas, deceased farmer, and Ethel's father was recorded as James Charles Robins, engineer. Ethel, who was born 8 July 1884 to James C and Emma J Robins, died 12 February 1912 at Estancia Esperanza, South America, and was buried there. Robert left to enlist September/October 1915. [FIM Sep 1915] Robert, age 33 and a second lieutenant in the Suffolk Yeomanry, died 14 August 1916 of wounds in Egypt and is buried in the Alexandria (Hadra) War Memorial Cemetery in Grave B2. [On memorial in St. Bride's Churchyard, Douglas, Lanarkshire, Scotland]
3. **Edith ROBINS** born ? (*not in the Falkland Islands*). Edith arrived in Stanley 10 December 1896 on board the *Osiris* from Punta Arenas. [FIM Dec 1896]
4. **Mabel Annie ROBINS** was born 24 October 1893 in Stanley and baptised 18 November 1893 by Christ Church Cathedral. Her father's occupation was recorded as engineer. Mabel was married to **John William DOUGLAS** (*brother of Robert G Douglas*) in 1914 in London, England. John, age 59, died 29 July 1943 at Netherwood, Newbury, Berkshire, England. [On memorial in St. Bride's Churchyard, Douglas, Lanarkshire, Scotland]