

**ORIGINALLY 15 PIONEER ROW OR 4 UPPER ROW
OR 27 PENSIONERS COTTAGE ALLOTMENTS
NOW PART OF 15 PIONEER ROW**

This was originally a detached house and was one of the original *“two roomed kit houses worth £50 each”* that were shipped down on board the *Victory* which arrived in Stanley 13 October 1849. Eighteen cottages were built on Pioneer Row (or *Upper Row as it was originally called and Upper Pensioners Row in the latter part of the 19th century*) for the military pensioners who also arrived on the same ship. This house was originally 4 Upper Row and was allotted to **James HOCKING**, a private and military pensioner from England, who had arrived with his family 13 October 1849 on board the *Victory*.

In August 1854 Private James Hocking wrote a memorial stating that he did not want to be sent home with his family as it would have serious consequences to his prosperity as with his pension, light work, his cottage and garden he was able to support his family far more comfortably than in England. Also, he had expended between £30 and £40 on the improvement of his cottage and garden which sum would be lost to him in the event of his leaving the Falkland Islands. [B27; 109]

On 16 July 1856 Crown Grant 104 was issued to **James HOCKING** for services performed, being Pensioners Cottage Allotments 27, containing 24 poles and measuring 60 links x 250 links. [CG 104]

On 10 February 1857 **Patrick FRENCH**, Pensioner of Stanley, and **Ann FRENCH**, his wife, granted to **James Henry HOCKING**, Pensioner of Stanley, *“All that parcel of Land in the Falkland Islands situate in the Southern Suburbs of Stanley containing Ten acres and numbered Thirteen in Pensioners Special Allotments ... And also that Lot or parcel of Land situate in the Suburbs of Stanley containing Twenty four Poles and numbered twenty six in Pensioners Cottage Allotments”* for £49. [BUG-REG-1; 164]

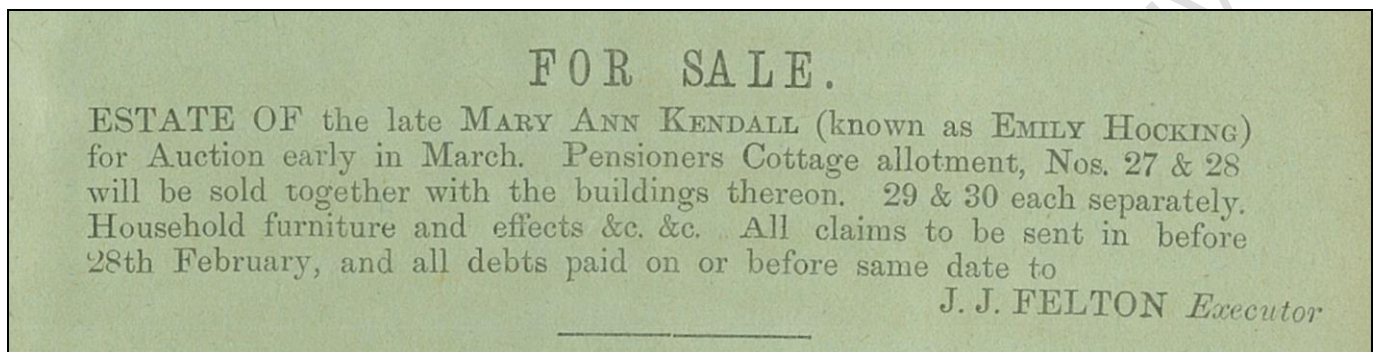


1863 – Fourth house from the left, top row

At some point after 1863 and before 1902 the cottages on 27 and 26 Pensioners Cottage Allotments were joined and made into a semi-detached house.

James Henry HOCKING, age 73 and a naval pensioner, died 23 November 1892. He left his entire estate to his wife, Ann. **Ann Elizabeth HOCKING**, age 76, died 10 May 1896. In her will dated 6 December 1892 she left Crown Grants 104 and 189 as part of her legacy to her granddaughter **Mary Ann KENDALL** *"I give and bequeath unto my granddaughter Mary Ann Kendall, all my personal effects also all those lots of land with the houses buildings and improvements thereon, that is to say all those lots known as Pensioners Cottage Allotments numbers 25, 27, 28, 29 & 30."* [BUG-REG-5; 169]

Mary Ann KENDALL aka **Emily HOCKING** died 7 November 1902 in Leeds.



[FIM Feb 1903]

On 28 March 1903 James TURNER, the Trustee of the Estate **Mary Ann KENDALL** granted to her brother, **Walter John KENDALL** of Fitzroy, No 27, No 28, No 29 and No 30 Pensioners Cottage Allotments containing in all 96 poles and bounded *"on the North and South by Government land 264 links, on the East by Government land 250 links and on the West by Lot 26, 250 links"* for £520. [BUG-REG-6; 24]



Early 1927 – Left-hand half of semi-detached house back-left is on PCA 27

On 16 May 1933 **Walter John KENDALL** of Stanley granted to **Jeff BUNDES** of Stanley, No 27 and No 28 Pensioners Cottage Allotments and bounded *"on the north by Government Road 139 links on the East by Land in the holding of Walter John Kendal 250 links on the South by land in the holding of Walter John Kendall 21 links and further on the South by Government Road 60 links and on the West by Land in the holding of John Cletheroe 250 links"* for £420. [BUG-REG-8; 288]



Late 1940s – Top row; the house on Lot 27 is semi-detached and Lot 28 is bare

On 27 February 1998, 15 Pioneer Row was gazetted as being a building or structure in the Falkland Islands designated as being of architectural or historic interest.



2019 - Left-hand half of semi-detached house