

BARCLAY 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. Various spellings of names are recorded as written at the time.

David BARCLAY was born circa 1840 in Scotland.

David, age 25, was a passenger on board the *Ocean Sprite* leaving the West India Docks 6 May 1865. [H23]

Janet GREEN, age 24, was a passenger on board the *Julie Tatham* leaving London at 12pm 21 July 1865. [H24]

David started working for the Falkland Islands Company Limited in the Lafonia area in July 1865 on a monthly wage of £4.

David Barclay, age 24 and a shepherd from Dumfriesshire, Scotland living at Black Rock, Darwin Harbour, was married to **Janet GREEN**, age 22 and from Dumfriesshire, Scotland living in Stanley, 5 October 1865 at Trinity Church Stanley according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England after Governor's Licence by Charles Bull MA Colonial Chaplain. The witnesses were George Andrew Clarke and Jane Sharpe. David's father was recorded as Andrew Barclay, farmer, and Janet's father was recorded as George Green, contractor.

David's dogs escaped one night and killed a number of sheep near his house. On hearing the facts of the case Frederick Cobb, the Colonial Manager instantly dismissed him but through consideration for his wife and children offered to send him home if he behaved himself. David behaved insolently to Frederick Cobb and the Camp Manager, Mr Bertrand, so his passage was withdrawn but his family were still given the means of getting home. David was going to send Janet and the children home and stay in the Falkland Islands. At the last moment, yielding to the entreaties of his wife, David was allowed to go with them at a cost of £5. They departed 28 August 1868 on board the 305 ton barque *Athole*. Frederick Cobb advised London Office that David was surly and bad tempered from the start and shirked work whenever he could. His dogs had previously worried sheep and he had been warned that if they did again, he would be dismissed. [FIC/D2; 32, 33, 45: FIC/IW1; 313, 505: FIC/C1; 474]

David and his family emigrated to Dunedin, New Zealand in 1870.

Janet, age 65 and from Scotland, died 27 May 1905 and was buried 29 May 1905 in Plot 64, Block 191 in the Northern Cemetery. She was born 31 December 1840 in Lochmaben, Dumfriesshire, Scotland.

David, age 77 and of 540 Cumberland Street, died 13 September 1917 and was buried 15 September 1917 in Plot 64, Block 191 in the Northern Cemetery.

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FIRST GENERATION:

Children of David and Janet BARCLAY:

1. **Elizabeth BARCLAY** born 6 August 1866 at Mackinnon Creek and baptised 20 March 1867 by Holy Trinity Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Elizabeth was married to **Sydney James WYNNE**, bookmaker, 2 July 1895 in St Peter's Church, Caversham, Dunedin. Sydney, age 54, died 28 August 1920 at his home 540 Cumberland Street and was buried in Plot 2, Block 57, Anderson Bay Cemetery. Elizabeth, a widow, died at her home 540 Cumberland Street 21 January 1940 and was buried in Plot 2, Block 57, Andersons Bay Cemetery.
2. **Janet BARCLAY** born 7 March 1868 in Stanley and baptised 13 March 1868 by Holy Trinity Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as shepherd.
3. **George Green BARCLAY** born circa 1871 in Dunedin, New Zealand. George, age 69 and a labourer living at 63 Islington Street, North East Valley, Dunedin, died 12 December 1940 and was buried 14 December 1940 in Plot 64, Block 191 in the Northern Cemetery.
4. **Alexander Robert 'Ack' BARCLAY** born circa 1876 in Dunedin, New Zealand. Alexander, age 41 and living at Orepuki, was accidentally crushed between two logs while employed at the Southland Sawmilling Company's mill at Waimeamea. He died 23 July 1920 and was buried in Orepuki Cemetery, Southland. He left a widow, Margaret, and a large family. [Obituary Dunstan Times of 2 August 1920, pg 5]
5. **Andrew BARCLAY** born ? in Dunedin, New Zealand. When his brother died in July 1920 Andrew was living in the Dunstan district. . [Dunstan Times of 2 August 1920, pg 5]
6. **Edwin John BARCLAY** born circa 1884 in Dunedin, New Zealand. Edwin, age 3, died 4 March 1887 and was buried 6 March 1887 in Plot 64, Block 191 in the Northern Cemetery.