

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 (*not in the Falkland Islands*).

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 David behaved insolently to Frederick Cobb and the Camp Manager, Mr Bertrand, so his passage was withdrawn but his family were still given the means of getting home.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]

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.
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.