

CLARK FAMILY

NB: The following is prepared from Falkland Islands Registers and files – there may be other family born, married, died, etc, outside the Falklands. Unless stated otherwise, all dated births, deaths and marriages occurred in the Falklands.

James CLARK was born 4 August 1886 in Edinburgh, Scotland to **James** and ? **CLARK**.

James, a seaman, was married to **Mabel CLIFTON**, 17 August 1909 in Christ Church Cathedral after Banns by Edward J Seymour, Chaplain & Hon Canon. The witnesses were Christian Andreasen, Maud Clifton and Maud McPhee. James' father was recorded as James Clark, a labourer, and Mabel's father was recorded as Henry Clifton, a carter.

MARRIAGES.

CLARK-CLIFTON. THIS wedding, the notice of which appeared in our last issue, took place in Christ Church Cathedral on August 17th. The bride was given away by her father Mr. H. Clifton. The bridegroom had as his best man, Mr. Christian. The bride was attired in cream satin—the bodice was covered with Paris net all over lace, and Paris net insertion with lace to match. The bridal veil with wreath of orange blossom completed a most becoming toilette. She carried a shower bouquet. The bridesmaids wore dresses of pale blue merino trimmed with white satin, and Picture hats trimmed with chiffon and tips. A reception was held after the wedding at the house of the bride's father. The presents which were handsome and useful numbered over one hundred.
(COMMUNICATED.)

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Mabel, age 33, and her two children departed 8 November 1923 for Liverpool on the *Orepesa*.

James, age 46 and a manager, and Mabel, age 40, went on holiday to the UK in 1933, travelling from Speedwell Island to Montevideo on the *Lafonia*. James was recorded as being 5' 8" tall with grey eyes and grey hair. Mabel was recorded as being 5' 5" tall with blue eyes and brown hair.



James and Mabel in 1933

Mabel, age 46, went to the UK for medical attention in 1939.

James, age 56 and a farm manager, was going to retire to the UK in 1942. In March 1943 he was still on Speedwell Island. In July 1944 James and Mabel were in Montevideo with no hope of leaving before the end of August. [FIC/EF/]

FIRST GENERATION:

Children of James and Mabel CLARK:

1. **Richard James CLARK** born 20 August 1910 and baptised 12 October 1910 by Christ Church Cathedral. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Richard departed 8 November 1923 for Liverpool on the *Orepesa* with his mother and sister.
2. **Ann Bruce CLARK** born 17 November 1912 on Speedwell Island and baptised 16 December 1912 on Speedwell Island by Christ Church Cathedral. Her father's occupation was recorded as Manager, Speedwell Island. Ann departed 8 November 1923 for Liverpool on the *Orepesa* with her mother and brother. Ann arrived from Liverpool on the *Orita* 15 October 1928. Ann, age 20, went on holiday to the UK, via Montevideo, in 1933 travelling from Speedwell Island to Montevideo on the *Lafonia*. She was recorded as being 5' 6" tall with blue eyes and fair hair. Ann arrived 31 May 1934 from the UK on board the *Lautaro*. The engagement of Ann of Speedwell Island and Mr **James P LOW** of Christchurch, New Zealand was announced Tuesday 4 January 1938. [Penguin 4 Jan 1938]



Ann in 1933