

## CRAIGIE HALKETT 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.*

**Frederick CRAIGIE-HALKETT** was born in 1852 in India to Major General **John CRAIGIE-HALKETT** and **Caroline CRAIGIE-HALKETT** née **MAXWELL**.

Frederick entered the Royal Indian Engineering College in 1872.

Frederick was married to **Edith Annie PARRY** in Auckland, New Zealand. Annie was born circa 1858 in Islington, London, England.

Frederick was appointed Colonial Secretary 4 October 1894 on an annual salary of £450 plus unfurnished quarters. He also held the offices of Treasurer, Postmaster, Collector of Customs, Harbour Master and Registrar.

Frederick, Edith and their three children arrived 4 November 1894 on board the *Tanis* from Antwerp.

Frederick administered the Government from 16 April to 20 October 1897.

Frederick died in London 19 October 1899. [FIM Nov 1899]

There is a plaque commemorating his service as captain of the Falkland Islands Volunteers in Christ Church Cathedral, Stanley.

Edith, age 69, died 25 November 1926 (*not in the Falkland Islands*).

## FIRST GENERATION:

### Children of Frederick and Mabel CRAIGIE-HALKETT:

1. **Montague Cecil CRAIGIE-HALKETT** born 28 December 1880 in the Fiji Islands. Montague arrived 4 November 1894 on board the *Tanis* from Antwerp with his parents and two siblings. Montague was appointed typerwriter and extra clerk in 1895 and in 1897 became acting private secretary to the governor. By 1912 he was the postmaster. Montague, a gentleman working for the Colonial Service, was married to **Anne Elizabeth ROBSON** 20 April 1904 at St Mary's Roman Catholic Chapel, Stanley by Special Licence by P J Diamond Roman Catholic Priest. The witnesses were George Robson and M A Enestrom. Montague's father was recorded as Frederick Craigie Halkett, deceased Colonial Service, and Anne's father was recorded as Timothy Robson, deceased sheep farmer. Ann died 25 November 1926, age 47, from heart failure and acute septic pharyngitis and was buried in Grave N955. Montague, a widower and civil servant, was married to (2) **Mabel Ruby Eleanor ENESTROM** 18 February 1928 at St Mary's Roman Catholic Chapel, Stanley by Mario Louis Migone, Priest in Charge. The witnesses were J M Ellis, J M Coutts and Charles Enestrom. Montague's father was recorded as Frederick Craigie Halkett, deceased, and Mabel's father was recorded as Charles W Percy Enestrom, engineer. Montague, age 47 and a civil servant, and Mabel, age 31, went to the UK on leave in 1928. Montague was recorded as being 5' 8 ½" tall with blue eyes and auburn hair. Mabel was recorded as being 5' 6" tall with grey eyes and brown hair. Montague, Colonial Secretary, and Mabel departed 16 April 1940 on board the *Lafonia* on Montague's retirement from public service. Montague died in Southwark in 1951. Mabel died in March 1974 in Surrey, England and was buried in Dorking Cemetery.



Montague and Mabel in 1928

2. **Edith Vere CRAIGIE-HALKETT** born in 1893 in the West Indies. Edith, age 23, died 23 November 1916 in Bournemouth, Hampshire, England.
3. **Frederick John CRAIGIE-HALKETT** born 30 March 1899 in Paddington, London, England. Frederick was married to **Beatrice Mary PITT** in 1936 (*not in Falkland Islands*). Frederick, age 65 and a major in the Royal Pioneer Corps, died 22 December 1964 in Vancouver, Canada and was buried in Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Burnaby, Vancouver. Beatrice died 21 October 1992 and was buried in Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Burnaby, Vancouver.