

HORROCKS 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. Any variations which may occur in the spellings of names are recorded as written in the records at the time.

Joseph HORROCKS was born circa 1830 in Lancashire, England to **Samuel HORROCKS** and **Elizabeth HORROCKS** née **RAWSTHORNE**. [Family history]

Joseph was married to **Isabella MARCROFT** (*not in the Falkland Islands*).

Joseph, a blacksmith, wife and two children, arrived in the Falkland Islands on board the 450 ton British Barque *Record* 28 September 1852. The *Record* under Captain PITELLO was 101 days out from Liverpool and carried 33 passengers and a full cargo for the Falkland Islands Company Limited. Joseph had come out under contract to the Falkland Islands Co Ltd. [SHI/REG/1; D6, pg 152; H11]

On 24 September 1855 Corporal Brown, the gaoler, was given permission to release Joseph Horrocks from custody. [D7, pg 75]

On 28 November 1859 James Lane, the Colonial Manager of the Falkland Islands Co Ltd wrote: *“I have engaged the Blacksmith (Horrocks) for 3 years, subject to dismissal on 6 Months notice. I had been obliged 6 months ago to refuse to employ him from drunkenness & to take the only other & very inferior man (Ennis) – Horrocks then came almost to want & I sent him on labourer’s wages to Darwin Harbour with his Wife & Child – he returned with his debts pd & abt £10 in hand last month, just when the Vessels came in so thickly & I then engaged him as above at 7s/- a day & givg him one of the Coy’s Cottages, the most distant from the Settlemt, occupied by Llamosa & I hope he will remain steady being a very good workman. He has lately wholly made an anchor for a large Cutter & turned it out well...”* [FIC/E3]

Isabella, age 32, died 27 May 1862 in Stanley from exhaustion and was buried 29 May 1862 (*no grave record; possibly buried in Section E*).

On 29 October 1862 James Lane wrote: *“Our Blacksmith has again taken to drinking and his work is much complained of by Shipmasters – Captn Barclay says that at the Scotch Ports there are many who wd be glad to come out at 5s/- a day regular week & no extras – even 6s/- might be given but the man shd be a good Ship’s Blacksmith accustomed to such work – it wd be very advisable to send out such a Man”.* [FIC/E2]

On 26 September 1863 James Lane wrote: *“The non arrival of a Blacksmith is to be regretted, the present one being much complained of by Captains – but a good ship’s Blacksmith is required, & any other would be worse than the present one to have.”* [FIC/E2; 144]

Joseph died in Lancashire, England in June 1896. [Family history]

Children of Joseph and Isabella HORROCKS:

1. **Child HORROCKS** born circa ? (*not in the Falkland Islands*). *No further mention found. See 28 November 1859 only one child mentioned; did this child die young?*
2. **Elizabeth HORROCKS** born circa April 1852 in St Helens, Lancashire, England and baptised 11 April 1852 by L W Sampson, vicar of St Mary the Virgin, Prescott, Lancashire, England. Her father's occupation was recorded as blacksmith living in St Helens. <http://www.lan-opc.org.uk/Search/indexp.html> Elizabeth, a minor (*under 21*) living in Stanley, was married to **Arthur BAILEY**, a widower living in Stanley, 7 April 1868 at the Registrar's Office. The witnesses were John P Smithen and Eliza Smithen. Arthur's father was recorded as Charles Bailey and Elizabeth's father was recorded as Joseph Horrocks. Elizabeth, age 25 and a native of Liverpool, died in Stanley 23 August 1877 from heart disease and was buried 29 August 1877 in Grave E430. Arthur, age 63 and a widower and Police Magistrate, died 14 September 1883 from cirrhosis of the liver and was buried 19 September 1883 in Grave E420.



3. **Mary Ann HORROCKS** born 26 April 1854 in Stanley and baptised 4 June 1854 by Holy Trinity Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as blacksmith and he signed with his X mark. Mary Ann, age 2 years and 3 days (*NB: see date of birth; parents appeared to illiterate so may be a mistake at death*) and of English parents, died 27 April 1856 in Stanley from burning and scalding and was buried 3 May 1856 (*no grave record; probably buried near or with her mother*).

FIRST GENERATION:

Children of Elizabeth and Arthur BAILEY:

1. **Elizabeth HORROCKS** born 3 October 1867 in Stanley. Her father's occupation was recorded as gentleman. Elizabeth, age 2 ½ days and the daughter of Arthur Bailey and Elizabeth Horrocks, died 6 October 1867 from convulsions and was buried 7 October 1867 (*no grave record; probably buried in or near to Grave E430*).
2. **Agnes BAILEY** born 17 March 1869 in Stanley and privately baptised 19 March 1869 by Holy Trinity Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as gentleman. Agnes, age 3 days, died in Stanley 20 March 1869 from convulsions and was buried 22 March 1869 in Grave E430.
3. **Agnes Anne BAILEY** born 14 May 1870 in Stanley and privately baptised 16 May 1870 by Holy Trinity Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as gentleman. Anne, age 34 hours, died in Stanley 16 May 1870 from convulsions and was buried 17 May 1870 in Grave E430.
4. **Edith Mary BAILEY** born 10 May 1871 in Stanley and baptised 27 June 1871 by Holy Trinity Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as surveyor general of Falkland Islands. On 25 October 1894 Edith was living at Brackens, Parkstone, Dorset, England, when she sold her one third share of her father's estate for £166-13-4. [BUG/REG/5; 57] Edith may have returned to the Falkland Islands early to mid-1896 as there are two entries for a "Miss Bailey" in the shipping news of the Falkland Islands Magazine. Edith, age 25, was married to **Montague STEPHENS**, age 35, a paymaster in the Royal Navy and serving on HMS *Barracouta*, 12 December 1896 in the Parish Church according to the Rites & Ceremonies of the Established Church after Banns by Edwin Coupland Aspinall. The witnesses were Charles W Hill, Hewitt Elmer and Viola C Felton. Montague's father was recorded as William Beay Stephens, surgeon, and Edith's father was recorded as Arthur Bailey, magistrate. The couple left on board the *Osiris* for Montevideo about 10am of the same day bound for England. [FIM Dec 1896]
5. **Arthur Joseph BAILEY** born 1 July 1873 in Ross Road, Stanley and baptised 5 September 1873 by Holy Trinity Church. His father's occupation was recorded as surveyor. On 15 October 1894 Arthur was living at 43 Handeforth Road, Brixton, Surrey, England when he sold his one third share of his father's estate for £166-13-4. [BUG/REG/5; 55]
6. **Orissa Mabel BAILEY** born 23 June 1875 in Stanley and baptised 2 September 1875 by Holy Trinity Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as surveyor. On 31 July 1896 Orissa was unmarried and living at 26 Gresham Road, Brixton, Surrey, England when she sold her one third share of her father's estate for £166-13-4. [BUG/REG/5; 181] Orissa was married to **Dr Stanley STEPHENS** (*not in Falkland Islands*). Orissa died 1 September 1918 at her home Zebminster, Dorset, England. [Obituary FIM Jan 1918]
7. **Charles BAILEY** born 7 August 1877 in Stanley. His father's occupation was recorded as surveyor. Charles, age 2 days, died in Stanley 9 August 1877 from convulsions and was buried in Grave E430.