

## MOLONY 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.*

**John Sharman MOLONY** was born 5 November 1823 in Dublin, Eire to **Doctor Michael MOLONY** and **Susan MOLONY** née **SHARMAN**.

John enlisted in 1845 in the 83<sup>rd</sup> Regiment and was in active service in India during the Indian Mutiny of 1857.

John, age 28, was married to **Rosa WOOD** in 1852 (*probably in India as Rosa was born in Cawnpore 18 July 1834*). According to John's obituary he received the medal and clasp and returned to England in 1859 as a captain.

Captain John Molony, Commanding Officer of the Falkland Islands Garrison, wife and family arrived 2 September 1860 on board the *Fairy*.

John and his family departed 23 January 1864 on board the *Velocidade* bound for London. Governor MacKENZIE wrote "...*the Commanding Officer Captain J S Molony of whose professional efficiency I must speak in the highest terms, he has maintained a proper discipline and good order among his men under circumstances of difficulty much augmented by his having been the only military officer in the Colony. I mention this in case Your Grace should think it proper to mention it to the War Department.*"

According to family history John and his family emigrated to Canada circa 1864. John, age 95, died 20 September 1919 in his son-in-law's house.

### Children of John and Rosa MOLONY:

1. **Edward MOLONY** born in 1855 in Bombay, India.
2. **Francis MOLONY** born in 1856 in Bombay, India.
3. **Louisa Edith MOLONY** born 18 December 1860 in Stanley. Her father's occupation was recorded as captain commanding troops and detachments.
4. **Arthur James MOLONY** born 30 July 1862 in Stanley and baptised 20 September 1862 by Holy Trinity Church. His father's occupation was recorded as captain commanding troops and detachments.
5. **Charlotte Emma MOLONY** born 4 April 1864 at sea.