

## DYER 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.*

**James DYER** was born circa 1824 at St Lukes, Middlesex, England.

James, a watchmaker, enrolled in the 57<sup>th</sup> Foot Regiment.

James was married to **Esther JOBOELE** (*not in the Falkland Islands*).

James, a sergeant, Esther and their children Mary, James and Charles arrived in the Falkland Islands on board the British Barque *Ealing Grove* 12 January 1858 as part of the Falkland Islands Company detachment of Pensioners. Apart from the Commanding Officer, Captain Moloney, the Company consisted of three sergeants, two corporals, a drummer and thirty privates. [H14, pg 316]

James' total military service was 22 years and 2 months. On the 25 May 1864 he was recorded as being 40 years old, of very good character and received 4 marks. His overseas service consisted of 3 years and 9 months in India, 10 months in Crimea and 6 years and 6 months in the Falkland Islands. He was discharged due to disbandment of the regiment. James was 5 foot 7 inches tall with brown hair and hazel eyes and a fair complexion. [PRO: WO 117/12]

The family left with Captain Molony and his men on board the transport ship *Velocidade* 23 January 1864.

## FIRST GENERATION:

### Children of James and Esther DYER:

1. **Mary DYER** born ? *(not in the Falkland Islands)*.
2. **James DYER** born ? *(not in the Falkland Islands)*.
3. **Charles DYER** born ? *(not in the Falkland Islands)*.
4. **Elizabeth DYER** born 7 February 1859 in Stanley and baptised 2 June 1859 by Holy Trinity Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as a sergeant in the Falkland Island Company.
5. **Jane DYER** born 23 September 1860 in Stanley and baptised 12 January 1863 by Holy Trinity Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as a sergeant in the Falkland Islands Garrison Company.