

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

REPORT OF CENSUS, 1921.

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STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS,

10th March, 1922.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit the following Report and Summary of the Census of the Falkland Islands and its Dependencies.

2. The Census of the Falkland Islands and its Dependencies was taken on the night of the 24th April, 1921. Census Schedules were received from South Georgia towards the end of July, 1921. Schedules from certain outlying Islands were not received until somewhat later in the year.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

M. CRAIGIE-HALKETT,

Registrar General and Supervisor of Census.

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THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
&c., &c., &c.

1.—AREA.

The area of the Colony, including West Falklands and adjacent Islands is 6,500 square miles, and that of South Georgia 1,000 square miles, making a total area of 7,500 square miles.

2.—POPULATION.

The population of the Falkland Islands and its Dependencies was found to total 3,431, made up as follows:—

Falkland Islands	..	..	..	..	..	2,094
South Georgia	..	..	..	..	..	1,337
Total	..	..	..	..	..	<u>3,431</u>

In the year 1891 the population was 1,789; in 1911, 3,275, and in the present year 3,431.

The distribution of the population is described as follows:—

Port Stanley	..	..	..	..	..	897
Darwin and Lafonia	..	..	..	..	..	365
Other Districts E.F.	..	..	..	..	..	436
West Falklands	..	..	..	..	..	396
						<u>2,094</u>
South Georgia (including shipping)	..	..	..	..	..	1,337
						<u>1,337</u>
Total	..	..	..	..	..	<u>3,431</u>

The increase of the total population during the last ten years was 156, or a decrease in the Falkland Islands of 178 and an increase in South Georgia of 334. The total increase per cent. of the population since 1911 was 4.76. In the previous ten years (1901-11) the population increased by 1,332, or 60.33 per cent.

Port Stanley. The population of the Town of Stanley, including crews of Ships in harbour (seven persons) was 897, or a slight decrease of 8 as compared with the 1911 Census. Probably there was no real decrease, as when the 1911 Census was taken the crews of ships in harbour numbered 20 persons as against 5 in 1921.

The number of uninhabited houses in Stanley was 13, as against 5 in 1911. The majority of these were only temporarily uninhabited. The number of houses inhabited was 176 as against 181 in 1911, a decrease of 2.76 per cent.

Table 2 shows the distribution of the population of the Town of Stanley according to the number of rooms in each house and persons in household.

DENSITY OF POPULATION.

The average density of the population—*i.e.*, the average number of persons living on each square mile was as follows:—

Falkland Islands (6,500 sq. miles)	..	..	·32
South Georgia (1,000 „ „ )	..	..	1.34

SEXES.

The total number of males and females in the Islands and South Georgia was 2,522 and 909 respectively, or an average of only 36.04 females to every 100 males. The average in the previous Census was 38.2 females to every 100 males. The small proportion of females to males is mainly due to the large number of males engaged in the Whaling Industry—excluding the number of males so engaged (1,333), the average number of females to every 100 males would be 76.45.

The following comparative statement shows the number of males and females in every 100 of the population in the age periods mentioned, and the number of females to every 100 males.

Age.	1911.				1921.			
	M.	F.	Total.	No. of females to every 100 males.	M.	F.	Total.	No. of females to every 100 males
Under 5	4.22	3.75	7.97	93	4.19	3.41	7.60	81
5-10	4.00	4.48	8.48	112	3.84	3.20	7.04	83
10-15	3.41	3.41	6.82	100	3.20	3.00	6.20	93
15-20	10.41	2.64	13.05	26	9.82	3.43	13.25	35
20-30	23.38	4.45	27.83	19	24.16	4.28	28.44	17
30-40	13.38	4.08	17.46	30	13.81	3.50	17.31	25
40-50	7.41	2.35	9.76	31	8.16	2.88	11.04	35
50-60	4.00	1.19	5.19	29	4.52	1.55	6.07	34
60-70	1.41	.51	1.92	37	1.28	.72	2.00	54
70-80	.41	1.05	1.46	56	.49	.47	.96	94
80 & over	.00	.06	.06	200	.02	.07	.09	300
TOTALS	72.03	27.97	100.00	38.2	73.49	26.51	100.00	36.04

It will be seen from the foregoing that up to the age of 15 years there is little difference in the proportion of females to males, but from that age up to the age of 60 years there is a marked difference, which is mainly accounted for by the large male population at South Georgia.

AGES.

The return of ages was completely given on all Schedules. The largest proportion of the population are those between the ages of 20 and 30, next in order come those between the ages of 40 and 50. Of the total population of 3,431, 20·84 per 100 were of the age of 15 and under. The following table shows the percentage under certain age groups as compared with the previous Census :—

Age.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Percentage. 1911.	Percentage. 1921.
Under 5	144	117	261	7·97	7·60
5 to 15	238	213	451	15·51	13·14
15 to 60	2,078	537	2,615	73·46	76·21
60 and over	62	42	104	3·06	3·05
TOTALS	2,522	909	3,431	100·00	100·00

Vide Table 3 for return of ages.

CIVIL CONDITION OF THE POPULATION.

The Civil condition of the population is set forth in Table 4.

In 1911, 31·60 of the population were married; in 1921 the percentage was 29·99. In the case of males the percentage for 1911 was 30·84, and for 1921, 27·55, and in the case of females the percentages were 33·59 and 36·74 respectively.

The large number of persons unmarried is to a certain extent due to the large number of children or young persons; as, for instance 34·09 of the population were under 20 years of age. Out of 1,803 males over 20 years 691 were shown as married, and out of 461 females over 20 years 327 were shown as married, or 38·32 per cent. in the case of males and 70·95 per cent. in the case of females. The large number of married males as compared to married females is partly due to the large number of married men employed (348) in the Whaling Industry whose wives are not residing in the Colony.

The following tables show the number per cent. of the population, unmarried, married and widowed in 1911 and 1921.

Age.	YEAR 1911.					
	Unmarried.		Married.		Widowed.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Under 20	21·93	14·26	·15	·34	—	—
20 to 30	18·26	1·92	4·98	2·47	·15	·06
30 to 40	5·46	·46	7·63	3·39	1·27	·24
40 to 50	1·62	·31	5·24	1·65	·30	·39
50 to 60	·89	—	2·93	·97	·36	·21
60 to 70	·43	·06	1·12	·37	·15	·21
70 and over	·09	—	·27	·09	·12	·26
			YEAR 1921.			
Under 20	20·75	12·94	·11	·20	—	—
20 to 30	19·84	1·71	4·22	2·59	·08	—
30 to 40	6·82	·38	6·79	3·06	·29	·06
40 to 50	2·82	·17	4·92	2·45	·38	·23
50 to 60	1·04	·08	3·14	1·00	·35	·47
60 to 70	·29	·03	·78	·39	·17	·32
70 and over	—	—	·26	·05	·20	·43

OCCUPATIONS.

Occupations are classified in Table 5.

The male population of Stanley and the East and West Falklands consisted mainly of:—

Carpenters.	Labourers.	Shepherds.
Farm Hands.	Mechanics.	

and persons engaged in various branches of the Whaling Industry at South Georgia. Out of a total population of 3,431, 43 are shown as unemployed or 1.25 per cent. In the classification of occupations the following are shown as being engaged in the Whaling Industry, viz. :—

Whaling Labourers	..	..	..	497
Engineers, Mechanical	..	..	..	105
Firemen & Trimmers	..	..	..	149
Stewards	..	..	..	70
Gunners (Harpoon)	..	..	..	21
Boiler cleaners	..	..	..	23
Blubber cookers	..	..	..	17
Mariners	..	..	..	197

Whaling labourers total 37.17 per cent. of the total population of South Georgia (1,337). See footnote at Table concerning shipping population at South Georgia. Farm hands, Labourers and Shepherds total 483 or 23.06 per cent. of the total population of the Falkland Islands. The number of children under 15 years of age was 712 as follows:—

In Stanley	..	..	..	..	312
East Falklands	..	..	..	..	293
West Falklands	..	..	..	..	107
Total	..	..	..	..	<u>712</u>

or 20.75 per cent. of the total population of the Colony and its Dependencies. The number of Scholars was 437.

BIRTHPLACES.

Out of the population of 3,431, 1,607 were British subjects born in the Colony and 584 were British subjects born in Great Britain and Colonies. There were 5 Naturalised British subjects. The number of Foreigners was 1,235 out of which number no less than 998 were natives of Sweden and Norway—the whole of these with the exception of 11 were engaged in the Whaling Industry. Birthplaces are classified in Table 6.

BIRTHS & DEATHS.

The average number of Births during the last 5 years was 46, and Deaths 18, leaving an average increase of 28.

CONCLUSION.

The population was enumerated on the lines of the English and (other) Colonial Censuses, that is to say, the population of the Colony and its Dependencies comprised all those persons present within the Colony on the Census night whether permanent or temporary residents.

The number of persons in the Colony and its Dependencies working on their own account was relatively very small and consisted mainly of a few resident Sheep-farmers, General merchants, Boarding House Keepers, Bakers, Publicans, etc.

I cannot conclude this Report without mentioning the very satisfactory manner in which the Supervisor for South Georgia, The Managers of Whaling Stations, Managers of Stations on the East and West Falklands and adjacent Islands and others, appointed Enumerators, performed the work assigned to them and thus contributed very largely to the proper enumeration of the Inhabitants. I must also mention in this connection the enumerator for Stanley, Mr. John Milne, First Clerk in the Treasury and Customs Department.

TABLE I.

CENSUS, FALKLAND ISLANDS, 1921.

HOUSES AND POPULATION 24TH APRIL, 1921, AS COMPARED WITH 2ND APRIL, 1911, AND 31ST MARCH, 1901.

	HOUSES.						POPULATION.								
	Inhabited.			Uninhabited.			Males.			Females.			Total.		
	1901.	1911.	1921.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1901.	1911.	1921.
STANLEY	165	181	179	3	5	13	469	411	432	447	474	458	916	885	890 (a)
DARWIN & LAFONIA ..	60	72	66	14	5	8	205	246	224	138	153	141	343	399	365
OTHER DISTRICTS E.F.	49	51	76	9	4	8	175	234	284	76	90	152	251	324	436
WEST FALKLANDS ..	85	101	88	25	18	7	274	369	242	177	184	154	451	553	396
COLONIAL SHIPPING ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	40	15	7	2	-	-	42	15	7
BRITISH SHIPPING ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	40	55	106	-	-	-	40	55	106 (b)
FOREIGN SHIPPING ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	596	131	-	-	1	-	596	132
SOUTH GEORGIA ..	-	10	43	-	-	36	-	444	1,096	-	4	3	-	448	1,099
TOTALS ..	359	415	452	51	32	72	1,203	2,370	2,522	840	905	909	2,043	3,275	3,431

NOTES.—(a) Does not include crews of ships in harbour (7 persons).

(b) British and Foreign Shipping includes crews of vessels enumerated at South Georgia, the majority of which leave South Georgia in the winter and return to the Whaling Industry in the summer.

TABLE 3.
 CENSUS, FALKLAND ISLANDS, 1921.
 RELATIVE AGES OF THE POPULATION.

Age.	Stanley.		Other Districts E. F.		Darwin, &c.		West Falk.		S. Georgia.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Under 1	12	17	10	6	7	6	5	4	—	—
1 to 5	44	38	27	17	22	14	17	15	—	—
5 to 10	54	52	24	20	30	22	20	16	—	—
10 to 15	42	53	25	22	22	19	21	9	—	—
15 to 20	33	55	22	20	27	16	31	26	224	1
20 to 30	75	67	67	23	39	22	61	36	587	—
30 to 40	66	59	48	21	28	20	33	19	302	1
40 to 50	56	42	35	20	24	14	28	20	136	2
50 to 60	28	37	21	3	16	6	20	7	71	—
60 to 70	18	22	3	—	7	2	4	—	12	—
70 to 80	10	15	2	—	2	—	1	1	1	—
80 & over ..	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—
TOTALS	439	458	284	152	224	141	242	154	1333	4

TOTALS.—Stanley	M.	F.
	439	458
Other Districts E.F.	284	152
Darwin, &c.	224	141
West Falklands	242	154
South Georgia	1,333	4
	—	—
TOTALS	<u>2,522</u>	<u>909</u>

TABLE 4.
CENSUS, FALKLAND ISLANDS, 1921.
CIVIL CONDITION.

MARRIED.

	Under 20.		20 to 30.		30 to 40.		40 to 50.		50 to 60.		60 to 70.		70 & over.		Total.			Total 1911.			Total 1901.				
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.		
																								M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.
STANLEY ..	3	21	37	45	48	34	24	19	13	11	7	2	150	154	304	157	148	305	162	152	314	37	31	68	
OTHER DISTRICTS E.F.	-	8	12	29	20	17	12	2	-	-	-	-	68	51	119	57	29	86	57	47	104	57	47	104	
DARWIN, &c.	-	11	16	19	20	13	13	6	4	2	1	-	63	60	123	72	55	127	67	64	131	67	64	131	
WEST FALKLANDS ..	-	15	24	21	16	18	13	7	1	-	-	-	66	66	132	130	68	198	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SOUTH GEORGIA ..	4	90	-	119	1	79	2	46	-	-	1	-	348	3	351	315	4	319	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS ..	4	7	145	233	105	169	84	108	34	27	13	9	2	695	334	1,029	731	304	1,035	323	294	617			

UNMARRIED.

STANLEY ..	185	212	54	30	20	10	4	2	2	4	-	1	281	258	539	271	283	554	376	272	648			
OTHER DISTRICTS E.F.	108	85	59	11	17	-	1	6	1	3	-	-	204	98	302	186	58	244	136	45	181			
DARWIN, &c.	108	74	28	6	7	-	1	3	-	1	-	-	156	81	237	168	100	268	144	87	231			
WEST FALKLANDS ..	94	69	46	12	10	3	-	5	-	1	-	1	167	84	251	299	115	414	203	111	314			
SOUTH GEORGIA ..	220	1	494	-	180	-	-	20	-	2	-	-	968	1	969	670	-	670	-	-	-			
TOTALS ..	715	441	681	59	234	13	97	6	36	3	11	2	1,776	522	2,298	1,594	556	2,150	859	515	1,374			

WIDOWED.

STANLEY ..	-	-	-	1	1	1	4	2	2	1	11	3	8	46	54	11	35	46	11	25	36			
OTHER DISTRICTS E.F.	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	3	3	-	-	2	12	3	15	8	3	11	2	-	2			
DARWIN, &c.	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	5	-	5	5	-	5	4	4	4			
WEST FALKLANDS ..	-	-	-	2	-	-	2	2	2	2	-	1	9	4	13	7	7	14	4	4	2			
SOUTH GEORGIA ..	-	-	3	3	-	-	5	-	5	1	-	-	17	-	17	14	-	14	-	-	-			
TOTALS ..	-	-	3	10	2	13	8	12	16	6	11	7	51	53	104	45	45	90	21	31	52			

TABLE 5.
FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES, CENSUS, 1921.
 OCCUPATIONS, PROFESSIONS, &c.

Occupation.	Stanley.	Other Districts East Falkland.	West Falkland.	S. Georgia.
A.B.'s, R.N.	—	2	—	—
Bricklayers	—	1	—	—
Blubber cookers	—	—	—	17
Blubber cutters	—	—	—	3
Boiler cleaners	—	—	—	12
Blacksmiths	2	—	—	23
„ Assistants	2	—	—	—
Butchers	4	1	—	6
„ Retired	1	—	—	—
Barbers	1	—	—	—
Bakers & Confectioners	2	—	—	—
Bakers Assistants	1	—	—	—
Barmen	1	—	—	—
Cooks	3	3	—	41
„ Farm	—	11	12	—
„ R.N.	—	1	—	—
Carpenters	16	6	5	29
„ Farm	2	—	—	—
„ Foremen	1	1	—	—
„ Apprentice	1	—	—	—
Clerks, Canning Works	—	1	—	—
„ Store	1	—	—	—
„ ———	5	—	—	10
Coopers	—	—	—	20
Caretakers	—	—	1	—
Ch. Writers, R.N.	—	1	—	—
Ch. P.O.'s, R.N.	—	1	—	—
Col. Treasurers	1	—	—	—
Col. Postmasters	1	—	—	—
Chief Constables	1	—	—	—
Carters	16	—	—	—
Customs Officers	2	—	—	2
Caretakers	3	1	—	—
Ch. Officers, Merchant Marine	1	—	—	—
Cable Operators	2	—	—	—
Clerks in Holy Orders	1	—	—	—
Cashiers	1	—	—	—
Clerks, Merchant	1	—	—	—
Charwomen	1	—	—	—
Camp Managers, Retired	1	—	—	—
Cable Superintendents	1	—	—	—
Cuttermen	1	1	—	—
Donkeymen	—	—	—	13
Dairymaids	—	1	—	—
Dressmakers	1	—	—	—
Engineers, Colonial	1	—	—	—
„ Canning	—	1	—	—
„ Mechanical	3	—	—	105
„ Assistants	1	—	—	—
„ Merchant Marine	—	—	1	—
Electricians	—	—	—	3
Engine Room Artificers	—	1	—	—
Electrical Artificers	—	1	—	—
Engine Drivers	1	—	—	—
Carried forward	84	35	19	284

OCCUPATIONS, &c. (Continued).

Occupation.	Stanley.	Other Districts East Falkland.	West Falkland.	S. Georgia.
Brought forward	84	35	19	284
Farm Students	—	7	7	—
Firemen & Trimmers	2	—	—	149
Flensers	—	—	—	14
Foremen	1	—	3	29
Forestry Officers	1	—	—	—
Farriers	1	—	—	—
Grax Scrimmers	—	—	—	2
Gunners, Whaling	—	—	—	21
Governesses	—	—	1	—
Geologists	1	—	—	—
Governors	1	—	—	—
Gardeners	9	1	—	—
„ Assistants	2	—	—	—
Horsetamers	1	1	—	—
Harbour Masters	1	—	—	—
Houseboys	2	—	—	—
Housekeepers	4	—	—	—
Home duties	222	130	80	—
Labourers, Whaling	—	—	—	497
Laundresses	2	—	—	—
Lamplighters	1	—	—	—
Labourers, general	65	—	71	—
„ Retired	2	—	—	—
„ Farm	2	—	—	—
Licensed Victuallers	1	—	—	—
Lightkeepers	1	—	—	—
„ Assistant	—	2	—	—
Leading Stokers R.N.	—	5	—	—
Lieutenants R.N.	—	1	—	—
Managers, Farm	1	9	11	—
„ Commercial	2	—	—	—
„ Whaling	—	—	—	4
„ Store	1	—	—	—
Mariners	19	5	4	197
Medical Practitioners	2	1	1	5
Master Mariners, British	1	—	—	3
„ „ Foreign	—	—	—	10
Masons	1	—	—	4
„ Labourers	1	—	—	—
Meat cutters	—	—	—	6
„ cooks	—	—	—	5
Magistrates	1	—	—	1
Messengers	4	—	—	—
Mariners (Retired)	3	—	—	—
Merchants, General Store	2	—	—	—
Managers, Hotel	1	—	—	—
Navvys	6	54	—	—
„ Farm	—	56	—	—
„ Foremen	—	5	—	—
Nurses, Male	—	—	—	1
„ Female	2	—	—	—
Nursemaids	1	—	—	—
Organists	1	—	—	—
Officers' Stewards, R.N.	—	1	—	—
Carried forward	455	313	197	1,232

OCCUPATIONS, &c. (Continued).

Occupation.	Stanley.	Other Districts East Falkland.	West Falkland.	S. Georgia.
Brought forward	455	313	197	1,232
Private Domestics	30	25	23	—
Printers	5	—	—	—
Police Constables	4	—	—	1
„ Sergeants	1	—	—	—
Prison Matrons	1	—	—	—
Postal Clerks	2	—	—	—
Painters	1	—	—	—
Preservers—Meat	1	—	—	—
Pensioners	2	—	—	—
Prison Warders (Retired)	1	—	—	—
Priests	1	—	—	—
Repairers	—	—	—	6
Shepherds	4	110	40	—
„ (Retired)	1	1	3	—
„ (Foremen)	—	1	17	—
Sheepfarm Overseers	—	5	—	—
Storekeepers, Farm	—	3	—	—
„ ———	3	—	—	4
School, Whole time	184	23	10	—
„ Part „	25	129	52	—
„ Under School age	103	127	45	—
„ Home taught	—	14	—	—
„ Not at	—	—	3	—
Stewards	2	—	—	70
Surgeons, Dental	1	—	—	—
„ Veterinary	1	—	—	—
Schoolmasters	1	—	—	—
Sanitary Carters	1	—	—	—
Sheepfarmers	4	15	2	—
„ (Retired)	—	1	—	—
Shoemakers	2	—	—	—
Shop Assistants, General Store	8	—	—	—
Shopkeepers	3	—	—	—
Storekeeper, Assists.	2	—	—	—
„ Millinery	3	—	—	—
Stokers, R.N.	2	—	—	—
Stoker P.O.'s, R.N.	—	5	—	—
„ Merchant Marine	1	—	—	—
Sisters of Charity	4	—	—	—
Scavengers	1	—	—	—
Telephone Linesmen	—	1	—	—
Teachers, Travelling	—	1	3	—
„ School	6	1	—	—
Tinsmiths	—	—	—	1
Turners	—	—	—	5
Telephone Operators	3	—	—	—
Telegraph Learners	3	—	—	—
Tailors	1	—	—	—
Telegraphists, R.N.	—	4	—	—
„ Leading, R.N.	—	6	—	—
„ Warrant, R.N.	—	1	—	—
Unemployed	24	14	—	5
Woolsorters	—	1	—	—
Watchmen	—	—	—	7
Wireless Operators	—	—	1	6
TOTALS	897	801	396	1,337

TABLE 6.
CENSUS, FALKLAND ISLANDS, 1921.
BIRTHPLACES.

Birthplace.	Stanley.	Other Districts E.F.	Darwin.	West Falk.	S. Georgia.
BRITISH SUBJECTS.					
At Sea	—	—	—	1	—
Bahama Islands	1	—	—	—	—
Burmah	1	—	—	—	—
Barbados	3	—	—	—	—
Canada	1	3	1	1	—
Falkland Islands	675	343	287	302	—
Fiji Islands	1	—	—	—	—
Great Britain	191	80	68	75	149
India	1	—	—	—	—
New Zealand	—	—	—	1	—
St. Kitts B.W.I.	1	—	—	—	—
St. Helena	1	—	—	—	—
South Africa	1	—	—	—	—
Tasmania	1	—	—	—	—
Uruguay	—	2	—	—	—
NATURALIZED BRITISH SUBJECTS.					
Germany	—	1	—	1	—
Norway	1	—	—	—	—
Sweden	1	—	—	—	—
Uruguay	1	—	—	—	—
FOREIGNERS.					
Argentina	—	—	1	3	2
Chile	3	2	1	—	—
Cape Verde Islands	—	—	—	—	51
Denmark	3	2	—	—	38
Finland	—	1	—	—	16
France	2	—	—	1	3
Germany	1	1	—	—	8
Greece	—	—	—	—	1
Holland	—	—	—	—	4
Italy	1	—	5	—	5
Iceland	—	—	—	—	2
Norway	—	—	1	6	830
Portugal	—	—	—	—	2
Russian	1	—	—	—	40
Spain	1	—	—	—	22
Switzerland	—	—	—	—	2
Sweden	1	1	1	1	157
U. S. of America	1	—	—	4	3
Uruguay	2	—	—	—	2
	897	436	365	396	1,337

Stanley	897
Other Districts	436
Darwin, &c.	365
West Falklands	396
South Georgia	1,337
TOTAL	3,431

