
Chambers family

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Series List

James Chambers (I) was born 26/9/1812 Enfield, England, and married Catherine Redin on 6/8/1836. They arrived in S.A. aboard the *Coromandel* on 12/1/1837, returned to the U.K. in 1854, and arrived back in S.A. on the *Albeura* in 1856 - see diary of the voyage. They had 6 children, three boys and three girls. One of the sons was named James. James Chambers (senior) died in 1862.

[See Margaret Goyder Kerr's book *Colonial Dynasty* for further information; also *Pastoral Pioneers of South Australia*, page 90-91.]

James had a brother **John** who was born in 1815, arrived on the *John Renwick* 1837 and died in 1889. Through hard work and enterprise these brothers became wealthy and were well known in the colony. They were sponsors of the John McDougall Stuart expeditions.

James Chambers (II) was born in S.A. on 7/5/1839. He married Emily Norrell in 1863, a year after his father's death. They had 4 children, the only son was named James. He died in 1918.

James Chambers (III) married Mary Provis and had one son who was named James.

James Chambers (IV) married Doris White on 27/2/1943. He was the owner of Wonnaminta Station, near Broken Hill - see newspaper cuttings re Royal Flying Doctor Service. No issue from this marriage. He died 6/5/1977.

Diary kept by James Chambers (I) on his voyage out to Australia on the <i>Albeura</i> . 1856. 2cm. Also includes transcript of diary.	<u>1</u>
Indenture of James Chambers (I) for his apprenticeship to Bartholomew White as a carrier. 1827. 1 item.	<u>2</u>
Notes on James Chambers (I), voyage to South Australia on the <i>Coromandel</i> . Also includes biographical notes on James Chambers (I). By unknown author. n.d. 0.5cm.	<u>3</u>
Biographical note on James Chambers (I) by unknown author. n.d. 0.5cm.	<u>4</u>
Miniature photograph of James Chambers (I). n.d. 1cm.	<u>5</u>
Copy of an obituary for John Chambers, brother of James (I).	<u>6</u>
Biographical notes on the Chambers family. n.d. 0.5cm.	<u>7</u>
Copy of a speech by the Governor-General of S.A. at the opening of a Royal Flying Doctor Conference. 1964. 0.5cm.	<u>8</u>
Newspaper cuttings relating to James Chambers (IV) and the Royal Flying Doctor Service. 1964. 0.5cm.	<u>9</u>
Two family bibles: one belonging to James Chambers (III) and another to his wife Mary Provis. 1893 & 1912.	<u>10</u>
Genealogy of the Chambers family nd. 0.5 cm Typescript photocopies Includes papers re Chambers/Barker reunion 1994	<u>11</u>
Transcript copies of the Wills of James Chambers and William Finke 1862. Typescript photocopies.	<u>12</u>

Newspaper cutting of reminiscences of Mrs John
Chambers
1898.
From the 'Observer' 9 July 1898 'Old-Time
Memories: A worthy woman pioneer' page 34. Mrs
John Chambers was Mary Redin, sister of
Catherine, Mrs James Chambers. [formerly A 346]

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