

Sharland, John Frederick (1796-1870)

Sponsored: John(son) Pye (Suffolk, shepherd and labourer)
 Elizabeth Taylor (Suffolk, cook and dairymaid)



Sharland was born on 7 Dec 1796 at Calcutta, West Bengal, India and died on 10 January 1870, 'Prospect Villa', Hamilton, Tasmania at the age of 73 years.

John's father, also John (1762-1855), made a moderate fortune in India, where he was on the staff of the governor-general, Sir John Shore, later Baron Teignmouth (1751-1834). On his return to England he bought land at high post-war prices and began farming. In the 1820s he fell on difficult times and, with a recommendation from Teignmouth, emigrated to VDL where he arrived with his two sons, William and John in the 'Elizabeth' in July 1823. He settled on some 1800 acres (728 ha) near Hamilton. (*Australian Dictionary of Biography*, Vol 2, 1967)

Sharland was a highly regarded surgeon of Hamilton. In 1838 he was presented with an embossed Salver bearing the following inscription: 'Presented to John Frederick Sharland, Esq., JP, by the inhabitants of the district of Bothwell, as an expression of their high sense of his professional abilities and the skilful manner in which he discharged his duties as district surgeon, during the period of eight years.' Sharland was active in many public movements including being the parliamentary member for Hamilton. He was also the Warden of the Hamilton Municipal Council.

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JS Sharland, surgeon, Hamilton applied for Bounty Immigrant Tickets on 5 April 1854 and 30 June 1856.