

## Emma Jane LOGAN

Date of Birth ( <i>Baptism</i> )	24/08/1838
Place of Birth ( <i>From</i> )	Glasgow
Role on Ship	Chief Cabin
Journey Outcome	Lost

### Notes:

Emma Jane Logan was a seventeen-year-old passenger born on August 24, 1838, in the Mymensingh district of Bengal, India. She was the daughter of William Reallie Logan, a Scottish indigo planter, whose family originated in Prestwick, and Isabella Hastings Dick. Emma's early life was marked by the loss of her mother, who died of cholera in 1845 at the Dumcole Factory near Calcutta when Emma was only six years old. Following this, Emma and her brother Andrew were sent to Scotland, where they were raised in Prestwick and educated at the Ayr Academy.

In 1856, Emma and Andrew boarded the *Josephine Willis* to reunite with their father, who had already been established in Wairoa, Auckland, New Zealand, for several years. When the collision occurred off the coast of Folkestone, Emma rushed from her cabin onto the deck wearing only her nightdress. In the freezing night air, she was found by George Andrew, who wrapped her in his own greatcoat and assisted her into the mizen rigging.

For upwards of an hour, Emma clung to the rigging, supported by George Andrew. During this time, she witnessed the ship's master, Captain Edward Canney, being washed overboard. As the vessel began its final plunge, Andrew attempted to carry her along the mizen mast, which was then laying flat upon the water. However, the combination of the extreme cold and the physical ordeal proved too much; Emma was completely exhausted and, according to Andrew, may have already expired from the cold before a heavy sea finally washed her from his arms at the cross-trees.

While Emma perished in the disaster, a small part of her journey was recovered when divers later retrieved her luggage from the wreck. Her father, William, remained in New Zealand and eventually remarried Elizabeth Martin in 1857. Through this second marriage, Emma's family line continued in the colony with the birth of two half-siblings, ensuring the Logan name remained in the land Emma had hoped to call home.