The Streets of York

Do You Live in Scott Street?

Robert Goodens Scott (1824-1898) arrived from Norfolk on the Ganges in 1841.

He married in 1847 at Woodside, Charlotte, the daughter of Jesse and Elizabeth Cheveril, who arrived on the Warrior in 1830 as servants for Francis Byrne who was to be the first Acting Resident Magistrate at York. This was the same ship which the Bussell family emigrated on. Charlotte's older and younger sisters both died on the voyage.

Robert worked as a shepherd in the Avon District in the 1840s, buying 15 acres in 1856 and a further 40 acres in 1861. In 1856/57 he also held the liquor license for the Travellers Arms Hotel on the Old York Road.

During the 1860s and 1870s he became a prominent farmer and grazier in the Beverley/York district, employing 13 Ticket of leave men including a splitter and a teamster and purchasing the Glen Irwin Estate from Andrew Strange, later run by his son, also called Robert Goodins Scott. 10 children were born to the couple who lived in a mud house on the riverbank, the children going to school at Gilgering.

Robert and Charlotte and their son Jesse are buried in the St Peters Churchyard at Gilgering.