**BANKART Howard, MORGAN Catherine Adelaide and son Henry Percy**

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and they await confirmation/correction, and further detail/expansion from family descendants …

**Howard BANKART**, son of [**Frederick BANKART**](https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Bankart-29) and [**Elizabeth FOWLER**](https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Fowler-2456), was born 17 Nov 1827, Leicester, England.

**Catherine Adelaide MORGAN**, daughter of **James and Jane Morgan**, was born 17 July 1827, Limerick, Ireland. She was baptised, 27 October 1830, at Saint Mary’s Cathedral, Limerick. Catherine was commonly called ‘**Ada**’.

**Howard** and **Ada** were married, 16 August 1860, at Saint Finbar’s Cathedral, County Cork, Ireland.

Together they gave birth to eight children:

* [Frederik James Bankart](https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Bankart-20)
* [Charles Howard Bankart](https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Bankart-21)
* [Ada Clara Bankart](https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Bankart-22)
* [Alice Mary (Bankart) Erson](https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Bankart-18),
* [Walter Morgan Bankart](https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Bankart-23)
* [Alfred Seymour Bankart](https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Bankart-33) (**twin)** - became an electrical engineer; assisted in the fitting of the electrical lighting in the *Onehunga Woollen Mills*
* [**Henry Percy Bankart**](https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Bankart-24)(**twin**) - was an artist who studied at the *Royal Academy*, London and at the *Kensington School of Art*

*(Alfred and Henry (twins) were born in 1870, in Neath, Glamorgan, Wales)*

* [Edith Florence (Bankart) Cox](https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Bankart-41)

**The BANKART family** arrived in New Zealand on May 17th, 1887. **Howard** and **Ada** were in their early sixties upon arrival.

Six months after the family’s arrival, tragedy struck the family.

**Henry BANKART** aged 17 years, died on 26 Dec 1887 – he drowned in a boating accident (the capsizing of the yacht *‘Truant’* off Rangitoto)six months after arriving in New Zealand. **Alfred**, his twin brother witnessed the drowning tragedy. Seventeen days later, his grieving family buried **Henry** in **Saint Peter’s Cemetery**, Onehunga, Auckland (Plot 99).

(see the biography of **Henry BANKART** on this website)

**Howard BANKART** (husband of [**‘Ada’**](https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Morgan-4541)) aged 66, died after a long illness on 20 December 1893 - six years after arriving in New Zealand - and was buried in **Saint Peter’s Cemetery** (Plot 51).

**‘Ada’ (Catherine Adelaide) BANKART** died 15 August 1907 - twenty years after arriving in New Zealand -and was buried with her husband **Howard** (Plot 51) **Saint Peter’s Cemetery.**