

GENEALOGY OF THE FAMILY OF LEMPHERS OF CEYLON.

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I.

Jacob Lempfert of Utrecht, Soldaat, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 4th August 1782, Maria Elisabeth Thoolen, and he had by her:—

- 1 Samuel Pieter Eregod, who follows under II.

II.

Samuel Pieter Eregod Lempfert, Draughtsman in the Survey Department, born 4th July 1784, died 26th March 1822, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 24th October 1806, Maria Johanna Perera, died 21st April 1837. He had by her:—

- 1 Frederick Lionel, who follows under III.
- 2 Susanna Cornelia, married Ferdinand Carel Van Eyck.

III.

Frederick Lionel Lempfers, born 16th September 1809, died 28th August 1866, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal:—

- (a) 30th July 1835, Angenita Sophia Van Eyck.
- (b) 24th January 1842, Thelesia Frederica Andriesen.

Of the second marriage, he had:—

- 1 James, who follows under IV.
- 2 Frederick Thomas, who follows under V.

IV.

James Lempfers, Proctor, died 3rd June 1898, married at Chilaw, Sophia Cooke, daughter of Nathaniel James Cooke and Louisa Arnoldina Peres. He had by her:—

- 1 Florence, born 1881, died 14th February 1898.

V.

Frederick Thomas Lempfers, Chief Clerk, Prisons Department, born 14th October 1851, died 6th June 1922, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 13th November 1871, Eliza Amelia Andriesen, born 10th June 1852, died 31st August 1889, daughter of James George Andriesen, Inspector of Schools, and Ellen Griffiths. He had by her:—

- 1 James Lionel Oorloff, who follows under VI.
- 2 Frederick Joseph, who follows under VII.

- 3 Godfrey Dalton, who follows under VIII.
- 4 Eliza Sophia, born 27th December 1876, died 18th May 1899.
- 5 Peter Samuel, born 27th July 1878, died 5th February 1909.
- 6 William Herbert, born 7th February 1880, died 16th January 1881.
- 7 Juliet Amelia, born 28th June 1881, died 7th July 1894.
- 8 Violet Felicia, born 1st January 1885, died 8th December 1886.
- 9 Hilda Constantia, born 14th January 1886, died 26th October 1926.

VI.

James Lionel Oorloff Lempfers, Motor Engineer at the Hale Garage in Tottenham, London, born 5th October 1872, married in Devonport 16th April 1905, Louisa Elisabeth Bethell, daughter of Francis William Bethell of Hampstead in London. He had by her:—

- 1 Francis Lionel, who follows under IX.

VII.

Frederick Joseph Lempfers, Headmaster, Wesley College, Colombo, born 25th November 1873, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 21st December 1908, Blanche Julia Balthazar, born 21st August 1881, daughter of Desiderius Godfrey Balthazar, Inspector of Police, and Julia Ellen Andriesen. He had by her:—

- 1 Frederica Blanche, born 27th July 1910, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Regent Street Colombo, 21st December 1933, Herbert James Hills, Head Guard, Ceylon Government Railway, born 8th July 1909, son of Herbert Hills, Locomotive Inspector, Royal Store Railway in Slam.
- 2 Frederick Ivor, who follows under X.

VIII.

Godfrey Dalton Lempfers, F.I.P.S. (Lord), born 21st May 1875, married:—

- (a) In St. Luke's Church, Borella, 14th March 1903, Eugenia Rosalind Pietersz, died 11th October 1927, daughter of John Philip Pietersz, Inspector of Police, and Caroline Evangeline Melder.
- (b) In the Methodist Church, Fort, Galle, 8th December 1928, Minette Irene Van Rooyen, born 30th March 1883, daughter of Francis Edward Van Rooyen, Proprietary Planter, and Agnes Frances Perera.

Of the first marriage, he had:—

- 1 Elmo Luther Dalton, who follows under XI.
- 2 Beryl Constantia Eugenie, born 7th May 1908, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagriya, 26th December 1941, James Alfred Henry Atwell Bartholomeusz, Master-at-Arms, Ceylon Royal

Naval Volunteer Reserve, born 23rd September 1917, son of Frederick Roland Bartholomeusz and Harriet Atwell.

- 3 Florimel Elaine, born 30th October 1910, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Regent Street, Colombo, 18th April 1938, Leslie Herbert Melder, Regimental Quarter Master Sergeant Ceylon Army Service Corps, born 4th October 1911, son of James Richard Melder and Rose Letitia Hopman.
- 4 Westloy Samuel, who follows under XII.

IX

Francis Lionel Lemphers, Head Guard, Ceylon Government Railway, born at Kilburn in London, 4th January 1909, married in the Methodist Church, Wellawatte, 28th December 1939, Alice Lillian Balthazar, born 18th March 1915, daughter of James George Balthazar, Revenue Inspector, Colombo Municipality, and Lillian Andree Janasz. He had by her:—

- 1 Frank Morris, born 19th October 1940.
- 2 Brian Ernest, born 15th February 1943.

X.

Frederick Ivor Lemphers, Inspector, Assessor's Department, Colombo Municipality, born 1st August 1914, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Regent Street, Colombo, 3rd September 1941, Ethelind Vida Anderson, born 29th September 1919, daughter of Eric Vernon Anderson and Lizzie Maria Hudson. He had by her:—

- 1 Ethelind Carole Theone, born 28th July 1943.

XI.

Elmo Luther Dalton Lemphers, Captain, Ceylon Army Service Corps, born 4th August 1905, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Regent Street, Colombo, 23rd April 1932, Ina Angela Nugara, born 26th April 1907, daughter of Julian Henry Nugara and Minna Auwardt. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXII, page 75). He had by her:—

- 1 Trevor Elmo, born 16th June 1933.
- 2 Yvonne Ina, born 16th January 1936.
- 3 Chinska Jean, born 25th July 1941.
- 4 Terence Ronald, born 8th November 1943.

XII.

Westley Samuel Lemphers, Lieutenant and Quartermaster, Ceylon Army Service Corps, born 18th March 1913, married in the Baptist Church, Matale, 15th February 1941, Ruby Iris Melder, born 20th June 1926, daughter of Harold Pietersz William Melder, C.C.S., and Daisy Mildred Pietersz. He had by her:—

- 1 Cedric Ralph, born 21st February 1942.

- 2 Beverley Samuel, born 29th March 1943.
- 3 Dawn Evangeline, born 15th October 1944.

Notes:—(1) Maria Johanna Perera, widow of Samuel Pieter Eregod Lempiert referred to under II, received assistance from a remittance sent in 1847 by the Government of the Netherlands possession in the East Indies for the relief of widows and orphans of the servants of the late Dutch Government, who were not already in the receipt of any pension from Government (Government notification dated 17th July 1847).

- (2) James Lionel Oorloff Lemphers, referred to under VI, served in the Great War, 1914-1918, in the Royal Army Service Corps. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XIV, page 4.)

MORE ABOUT LORENZ. *

Once again the subject of Lorenz is before the public eye. Those who have read their Bulletins for October 1944 will have seen the announcement regarding the compilation of a Life of Lorenz which is expected to make its appearance shortly. It is hoped that these expectations will not be falsified, as has happened before, but that we shall soon have before us the life of the greatest Ceylonese of all times, written in a manner that will do justice to this outstanding genius. It seems therefore appropriate that we should discuss his life to-day as a preparation for the more comprehensive Life that we shall shortly have the privilege of reading.

Lorenz touched life at so many points that it is not possible within the brief space allotted for these talks to do anything more than deal in broad outline with the chief aspects of his career. His life may be divided, like ancient Ceylon, into three parts: professional, political, and social. It is proposed in this paper to make reference to his professional and political life only.

As is well known, Lorenz was born in Matara, his father being Sitting Magistrate of that place. He received his early education under the parental roof, and when he had reached the stage at which education of a more advanced type was required, his father decided to send him to the Colombo Academy, now known as Royal College. It so happened that one of his sisters was married to Mr. John Driberg, a highly respected and leading Proctor of Colombo, and it is probably his early association with this gentleman, coupled with the fact that his father was connected with the law, that gave a

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