

POTGER GENEALOGY.

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(ADDITIONS TO SECTION XVII.)

I. Mervyn Noel Potger and Doris Treherne Dickman, referred to in item I, are the parents of :

- (a) Stanley Treherne, born 29th March 1938.
- (b) Vernon Noel, born 29th November 1939.
- (c) Louis Sherman, born 29th December 1943.
- (d) Mary Anita Lorraine, born 2nd July 1945.
- (e) David Jan, born 24th November 1947.

II. Hector Vernon Potger, referred to in item 2, married in St Paul's Church, Milagiriya, 15th February 1947, Patricia Sylvia Gander, born 17th March 1924, daughter of Oswald Linton Gander and Daphne Gladys Ephraums. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, page 110). He had by her Daphne Louise, born 16th May 1948.

III. Isla Beatrice Potger, referred to in item 3, died 26th June 1940.

IV. Stanley Douglas Potger, referred to in item 4, married in All Saints' Church, Borella, 24th May 1947, Barbara Kathleen Nugara, born 12th June 1927, daughter of Henry Arthur Nugara and Ruby Enid Dickman. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXVI, page 129). He had by her Barbara Mary, born 11th March 1948.

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REIMERS GENEALOGY

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(ADDITION)

Alfred Edward Grenier Reimers and Christobel Marguerite Viola Siebel, mentioned in section XVI, are also the parents of :

- 4 Everard Orville, born 17th May 1940.
- 5 David Ian, born 22nd October 1946.
- 6 Christopher Wilhelm, born 6th October 1949.

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DISCUSSION ON THE WOLVENDAAL CHURCH

In Proceedings of

The Ceylon Legislative Council Sessions 1875-76

The Wolvendaal Church, which to this day, proclaims the old Dutch genius which gave to it a site above the Town of Colombo appears substantially the same as originally designed by the Dutch builders. The windows constructionally, are of the perpendicular style, a fashion chiefly represented in upright lines and enormous dimensions. The deep recesses were originally filled with heavily mullioned wooden frames very simply glazed. The present stained windows of chaste and ornate design were erected seventy nine years ago. The cost was partly borne by the Government and partly donated by a generous public. The dedicatory tablets commemorate the names of the individual donors, a British Governor (Sir William H. Gregory) among them, who although not a member of the Communion, showed during his term of office the warmest interest, not only in the preservation and embellishment of this venerable Church, but also in the welfare of the congregation worshipping within its walls.

The inclusion of a sum of Rs. 3880/- in the Supplementary Supply Bill of 1875-76, for fixing the new windows in the Wolvendaal Church was opposed and led to a spirited debate in the Legislative Council of that time. The proceedings in this connection as reported in the Ceylon "Hansard" are reprinted hereunder. They throw light on an often discussed controversy built round Article 18 of the Terms of Capitulation of Colombo by the Dutch which was entered into on the 15th. of February 1796 — (note, by Editor.)

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF CEYLON

Proceedings on Wednesday, November, 10th 1875.

Upon the following paragraph in the Report of the Sub-committee on the Supplementary Supply Bill:—

3,880 rupees are requested for fixing new windows to the Wolfendahl Church. As Government are not under any obligation to expend public funds in repairs on this Church, and as by so doing they might as reasonably be expected to contribute to the maintenance of other houses of worship belonging to various sects, the Sub-Committee recommend that this vote be disallowed.

The GOVERNOR* said I think it advisable before putting this vote to state that when the estimate was submitted to the Government I did not accept it without full inquiry, by which I ascertained that in the earliest period of our rule the Government had on various occasions undertaken the repairs of this Church. I asked the Department of Public Works when was the last occasion on which repairs had

*E. E. the Rt. Hon'ble Sir William Henry Gregory.