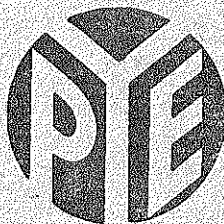


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EDWARD HENRY VAN DER WALL.

The Editor of the *Monthly Bulletin* of the Dutch Burgher Union has fittingly expressed the grief of Harry van der Wall's friends at his death, which took place so unexpectedly; and has admirably summed up the leading characteristics of one who not only held a distinguished place in his own Community but was also respected throughout the Island. It is not easy in so short an interval after his death to review more fully his life and work; but memories are short, and an attempt must be made.

Edward Henry van der Wall was born on the 8th May 1871, at Matara, the home of C. A. Lorenz, and in ancient times the most renowned seat of learning among the Sinhalese. The proverb says: "To be born at Kalutara and educated at Matara is the best fate a man can desire". It is odd that those two towns should be strikingly associated with E. H. V.; his life began at Matara and ended at Kalutara.

He was the son of the Rev. Wilfred Charles van der Wall, of the Dutch Reformed Church, and Emily Harriet Ernst his wife. The family traces back to Anthony van der Wall, Onderkoopman and Administrateur of Tuticorin at the middle of the eighteenth century.* E. H. V.'s father died when he was eight years old, and he was placed under the care of his uncle, J. H. Ernst, and his grandmother Mrs. J. H. Ernst, Sr., of both of whom he used to speak with deep affection. From Matara he came to St. Thomas' College, which was then at Mutwal, and ruled by Warden Miller. His career was not unmarked by achievement. In 1885 he passed the Cambridge Junior Examination (Class 3), and again in 1886 (Class 1, with distinctions in Latin and Mathematics). In 1888 he

*See the Genealogy in *D.B.U.J.* Vol. xxiii, pp. 151 A.

passed the Senior Examination (Class 1, with distinction in Religious Knowledge), just missing the English University Scholarship that year, when it was won by C. E. de Vos of the Royal College by a few marks. His name appears on the College panels as Grenier Prizeman 1887, Victoria Gold Medallist 1889, and Government Exhibitioner 1889.

The College games do not appear to have had much attraction for him, but in 1887 the Greek play *Alcestis* was acted by the College boys, and the principal parts were taken by A. Driberg (*Alcestis*), E. H. van der Wall (*Admetus*), G. B. Ekanayaka (*Pheres*), W. P. D. van der Straaten (*Heracles*), A. B. Gomes (*Thanatos*), K. Prins (*Apollo*), and O. E. Martinus (*Leader of the Chorus*).

On leaving College E. H. V.'s desire was to study Law, and enter a profession in which others of his name had made their mark. But difficulties presented themselves, and a vacancy occurring in the Royal College, he was appointed Assistant Master in January 1891. Mr. J. H. Marsh, Jr., was then Principal, but in a year's time he was succeeded by Mr. John Harward, during whose term of office the College rose to the height of its reputation. Between him and E. H. V. there soon grew a respect and confidence which remained unshaken to the end. One of Mr. Harward's hobbies was the pronunciation of English, and it was probably from Mr. Harward that E. H. V. derived his own interest in the subject. He was keenly interested. The meticulous study of vowel sounds, Daniel Jones, and Southern English were as familiar to him as the Codes to a lawyer, and he was ready to discuss them anywhere.

He served the Royal College for fifteen years, and throughout the Island there are pupils of his who speak of him with admiration. He was Librarian of the College, "and as such", wrote a newspaper editor in 1911, "skilfully helped many a boy to acquire a taste for books by timely hint and tempting description. His judicious efforts probably affected many a subsequent career for good, by inculcating just the kind of taste which was needed to save the lad from stooping to trash and sensational shilling shockers".

When the Cadet Battalion was organized in January 1902, E. H. V. was appointed Honorary Captain of the Royal College Company, and this post he held with credit till he left the College.

In 1906 the death of Mr. E. A. Seneviratne made a vacancy as Inspector of Schools, and in August of that year E. H. V. was appointed Inspector of the Central Group Division of Schools. In the same year Mr. J. R. Jayetileke the distinguished Mathematical Master of St. Thomas' College, was appointed Secretary of the Kandy Municipality, and the curious coincidences in the careers of the two men were a subject of general remark. Van der Wall, educated at St. Thomas', became a teacher at the Royal, and served there fifteen years. Jayetileke, educated at the Royal, became a teacher at St. Thomas', and served there fifteen years. In the same year, both changed their duties, and both came to Kandy.

As Inspector of Schools E. H. V. was again brought into close association with Mr. Harward, who was then Director of Education. To him succeeded Mr. E. B. Denham, and in January 1922 Mr. Lachlan Macrae was appointed Director. E. H. V. was by this time the Senior Inspector of Schools, and Mr. Macrae soon discovered the value of his character and experience. There was complete understanding between them.* When E. H. V. began as Inspector he was accustomed to judge schools by the standard to which he was accustomed at the Royal College; but he was quick to discover that this was not a fair test, and the general regret felt in the schools when he was transferred from one Division to another proved that he was not only a fair but also a helpful Inspector. When he retired from Government Service it was as Chief Inspector of Schools, and in recognition of his work he was appointed a Justice of the Peace for the Island, a rather unusual distinction.

In August 1920 he sailed for England with Mrs. van der Wall and their young son. They had a pleasant voyage, and E. H. V.'s first impressions of England are briefly but pointedly described. After a week in London he writes: "We have got over our first pangs of astonishment and even over our nerves, for we now cross the heaviest traffic with confidence. We are busy all the day and part of the night sight-seeing, watching the crowds, gazing in at shop windows, or moving about by bus, tube, or underground. Whatever we do, we feel that all London is doing—that will give you some conception of number. When we went to a large shop we wondered why all London was there on the same day; and when we took Harold to the Zoo, we actually inquired whether it was a special day, which it was not."

* For Mr. Macrae's generous appreciation see under "News & Notes."

The London Policeman : " If I am asked to name the greatest wonder in London, I would name the Policeman.....The respect paid to the Policeman's authority here is wonderful. When he puts up his hand all traffic stops, even a Cabinet Minister's car."

The visit to Oxford in October with Dr. Allan De Saram, is described with the feeling of a lover of Oxford University.

We left Paddington Station on a typically English morning, dull, misty, and with 'low visibility'. But as we neared the town of Reading, where Huntley and Palmer's factories loomed largely in view, the mist began to lift, and we passed through glorious country scenery in a fine light. Orchards and farms, woods and valleys, with charming glimpses of the Thames, passed us in quick succession, and as the train began to slow we saw the spires of Oxford.

It was so reposeful after London, such an old-world charm and quietness in this ancient seat of learning, just the atmosphere to breed 'classical repose'.

We visited Christ Church, Balliol, St. John's, Keble, New College, and Brasenose. We also passed by the buildings of Merton, Wadham, Oriel, All Souls, Magdalen, Exeter, and Trinity. We met three Ceylon Students, De Saram and Jayawardana of Keble, and Loes of Wadham. As you know, women are now admitted as members of the University, and you see them all over the place in cap and gown, the former not with the stiff mortar board, but a graceful square cap with a Tam-o-shanter top. Oxford men do not wear caps; they wear only gowns, and everywhere the bare-headed young men can be recognized as Oxford undergrads.

I was much impressed by the quadrangle of Christ Church, the Magdalen Tower, and the fine avenue of elms in the Broad Walk leading to the Isis. It was a glorious afternoon, and the river was full of boats. Oxford never works in the afternoon. At 2 p.m. we saw the men hurrying down to the river, to football, hockey, &c.

Oxford is venerable. The walls are just mouldering, and are never colour-washed. You feel as if you are suddenly plunged into the middle of the fifteenth century. The atmosphere is free of noise and hurry, and suits thought and culture. It is a grand place, and I felt my nerves tingling with shock when I got back into the noise and tumult of London."

An Inspector of Schools could hardly keep away from the educational systems in England : " I have been visiting schools a good deal here and almost feel as if I am back in harness. But it is refreshing to feel that the Ceylon school and the Ceylon scholar are not very diverse from the English."

He had a good view of the welcome to the Prince of Wales on his return from his Imperial tour in 1920. " When the Prince passed, it was a joy to hear London's loud-throated cheer of welcome. I have heard such cheering only at one other place...."

Early in 1921 he visited Holland, but before the visit he made the acquaintance of a party of six Dutch girls at a dinner in London.

" I told one of the girls that our idea of Dutch womenfolk was that they were substantial and of considerable tonnage. How they laughed " Ja ", said one, " that is what you read in some books, and is just as true as those pictures of Holland with a small Dutch boy smoking a pipe. Why, a small Dutch boy who smoked a pipe would get a smacking for his pains ! "

" Out of deference to us the girls spoke chiefly in English and more than one girl remarked, " Oh ! how horrible it is to hear two Dutch people speak to each other in English ! "

" I remember hearing it said that one of the reasons for the disappearance of the Dutch language in Ceylon and the survival of the Portuguese was that the former was harsh and guttural, and unsuited to the lips of delicate ladies, while the latter was mellifluous. This gross libel vanished into thin air when the Dutch girls spoke to each other in Dutch. There is as much music in their speech as in any other language under the sun."

His visit to Holland is described in the JOURNAL (Vol. XIII), where also appears his Lecture, given at Amsterdam on the 9th April 1921 before the Royal Geographical Society of Holland (Koninglijk Nederlandsch Aardrijkskundig Genootschap); and at Utrecht on the 12th April before three Associations—the Historical Society (Historisch Genootschap), the Provincial Utrecht Society (Provinciaal Utrechtsch Genootschap) and the Utrecht Branch of the Dutch Union (Afdeling Utrecht van het Algemeen Nederlandsch Verbond). These Lectures were delivered on the invitation of Dr. Hulshof of Utrecht University. There were crowded audiences, and many enquiries were made about Ceylon and the Dutch people in Ceylon.

E. H. V. was undoubtedly " race conscious ", and he was never ashamed of it, though it would appear from the attitude of some that only to a Dutch Burgher is race consciousness forbidden. There is a race consciousness which implies and exhibits an unworthy and aggressive depreciation of other races; of that E.H.V. was so little guilty that he was respected and admired by the best of all other races with whom he came in contact. He was proud of his race, and that made him give due credit to others. His constant effort was to promote the welfare of his own Community and make them more keenly aware of their origin and traditions.

When the Dutch Burgher Union of Ceylon was founded in 1908, he was one of its Original Members, and one of the most enthusiastic in the formation of the Union. Wherever his duties took him he advocated the cause of the Union, explained its objects, and induced all whom he could to join it. There was no subject on which he would expand more freely. His persistence may have

wearied some, but the Union benefited by his efforts, and he would doubtless regard it as the most fitting tribute to his memory that the Union should be so enlarged as to make it coextensive with the Community.

A Member of the Union Committee from the beginning, he was unanimously elected President in March 1936, and served one year, declining to be re-elected. His work for the Union, before and after his Presidentship, is well deserving of record. His persuasions added largely to the Membership. His persistence secured for English-speaking children the free education in English which had not been given them before. Unjust aspersions on Dutch rule and the Dutch character, vaingloriously flaunted in books (even books for children in Schools!) and newspapers, were questioned and refuted; a saner view of the Dutch has thus been made possible. And in none of these efforts was there any thought of personal advantage; it was his Community, not himself.

E. H. V.'s contributions to the JOURNAL are nearly all on matters relating to the Dutch in Ceylon. Two of them are of special importance: "The Contribution of the Dutch towards the Making of Ceylon", and "Dutch Words in the Sinhalese Language". He contributed also to various other publications, and in these papers on a variety of subjects his light touch and graphic narrative made pleasant reading. He was thus in continual demand by editors of annuals and periodical magazines.

It has been rightly said of him that "he was not quick at forming friendships, and only the very few whom he admitted into the inner circle of his life understood and appreciated his great qualities of head and heart". But to a friendship once formed and proved he was intensely loyal, and he would seek out opportunities for doing friendly acts to his friends. His geniality, when he unbent, was remarkable. As a host he would entertain his friends with anecdotes, songs, and mimicry which was irresistible.

On his retirement from office in June 1932, he bought a small estate at Kalutara, just outside the town limits, and settled down to a country life, his only "hobby" being snipe-shooting. The old house standing on the estate was re-built, and made entirely self-contained. In November 1909 he had married Miss Effie van der Straaten, the youngest daughter of Mr. A. M. van der Straaten,

the well-known Proctor of Kandy. To her the house and garden owe its orderliness and simple beauty.

It is no formal commonplace that the Community and our public life in Ceylon suffer a heavy loss in the death of Harry van der Wall. Those who knew him best will miss him most, and will understand what it means to lack at this time the clear judgment, the resolute advocacy, and the courageous loyalty of a gentleman of unquestioned honour, who was endowed with great and many gifts, all of which he used for the noblest purposes.

L. E. B.

GENEALOGY OF THE FAMILY OF de VOS.

(Compiled by the late Mr. F. H. de Vos in 1910; revised and brought up to date by Mr. D. V. Altendorff in 1937.)

I.

Victor de Vos, married at Bruges, 27th December 1642, Maria Jooris, baptised at Bruges, 10th July 1614, daughter of Josse Jooris and Marie Bussier. He had by her:—

- 1 Catharina, baptised 17th March 1645.
- 2 Franciscus, baptised 20th March 1647.
- 3 Franciscus, baptised 14th January 1649.
- 4 Donatianus, baptised February 1651.
- 5 Olivier, who follows under II.
- 6 Johannes, baptised 4th May 1656.
- 7 Carolus, baptised 16th May 1658.

II.

Olivier de Vos, born at Bruges, 13th February 1653, died circa 1699, arrived in Ceylon in 1673 in the Ship "t Wapen vander Goes" (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. I, page 160) married at Colombo, 13th May 1691, Johanna Melchiors, widow of Adolph Truvel of Rynbach. He had by her:—

- 1 Maria, baptised 16th November 1693, died at Matara before 1717, married at Colombo, 9th March 1710, David Otmar Boekhouder, baptised 17th October 1675, son of Hendrik Otmar of Hildesheim and Maria Rodriguez.
- 2 Victor, baptised 19th June 1695.
- 3 Pieter, who follows under III.

III.

Pieter de Vos Boekhouder, baptised 27th December 1698, died 6th March 1734, married at Colombo:—

- (a) 15th October 1724, Jurika de l'Orme, baptised 10th May 1705, died before 29th April 1725, daughter of Jacob de l'Orme of Cochin and Marie Arendsen.
- (b) 28th October 1726, Christina Polnitz, born 1st April 1699, died 17th March 1750, widow of Jan de Vos, and daughter of Herman Jansz Polnitz, of Hadamar and Maria Rodriguez, widow of Hendrik Otmar.

Of the first marriage, he had:—

- 1 Olivier born 5th April 1725.

Of the second marriage, he had:—

- 2 Johanna Maria, born 4th October 1727, married at Colombo 14th October 1742, Cornelis Fransz, Surgeon.
- 3 Johannes Coenraad, baptised 2nd September 1729.
- 4 Olivier Harmanus, born 5th January 1730, died 23rd May 1730.
- 5 Pieter, who follows under IV.

IV.

Pieter de Vos, Boekhouder 1760, Onderkoopman 1781, born 12th April 1731, died 29th January 1793, married:—

- (a) In the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 21st April 1754, Anna Jacoba Warner, baptised 27th January 1737, died 1758, daughter of Gerrit Warner of Amsterdam and Christina Eggers.
- (b) In the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 10th February 1760, Magdalena Meyer, born 26th July 1744, died 18th April 1780, daughter of Juriaan Meyer of Lupke and Elizabeth Pardon.
- (c) In the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 28th January 1781, Isabella Bernarda Martheze, born 13th November 1743, died 15th May 1789, widow of Reverend Andreas Spoor and daughter of Hendrik Levin Martheze and Anna Catharina van Doornik. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. II, page 93).

Of the first marriage, he had:—

- 1 Johanna Maria, born 28th January 1757, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 25th November 1770, Michael Nicolaas Engelbregt, son of Johannes Engelbregt, Surgeon, and Catharina Van Zitter.

Of the second marriage, he had:—

- 2 Christina Elizabeth, born 15th February 1761.
- 3 Petrus Gerardus, who follows under V.
- 4 Johannes Andreas, who follows under VI.
- 5 Olivier Harmanus, born 9th April 1768, died 27th March 1770.
- 6 Cornelia Philippina, born 5th October 1769, died 15th December 1806, married at Galle, 22nd November 1789, Andreas Justinus Van Zitter, died 24th June 1806.
- 7 Albertus Cornelis, who follows under VII.
- 8 Pieter Juriaan, who follows under VIII.
- 9 Aletta Magdalena born 14th April 1780, died 6th July 1781.

Of the third marriage, he had:—

- 10 Anna Catharina, born 19th September 1781, married at Galle, 30th July 1797, Gerrit Joan Poulter, Sitting Magistrate, Weligama, baptised 1773, died 9th July 1844, son of Adrian Poulter and Rebecca Christina Belissa. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, page 21).

V.

Petrus Gerardus de Vos Boekhouder, and afterwards Sitting Magistrate of Jayale, born 18th November 1762, died 2nd June 1815, married:—

- (a) In the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 24th August 1788, Beata Cornelia Van den Broeck, baptised 14th February 1773, daughter of Captain-Lieutenant Johannes Van den Broeck and Gertruida Cornelia Van Zitter.
- (b) In the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 23rd February 1794, Johanna Dorothea Potger, baptised 21st November 1779, died 3rd September 1798, daughter of Barend Lodewyk Potger and Sophia Elizabeth Vogelaar. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. IX, page 129, and Vol. XXVII, page 108).
- (c) In the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 6th February 1810, Susanna Petronella Van Dort, born 18th August 1790, daughter of Adriaan Van Dort and Justina Cornelia Visser.

Of the second marriage, he had :—

- 1 Pieter Lodewyk, who follows under IX.
- 2 Gerard Willem, born 5th May 1796, died 31st December 1845.
- 3 Johannes Adrianus, born 16th August 1798, died 24th April 1806.

Of the third marriage, he had :—

- 4 John George, who follows under X.
- 5 Henry Benedict, who follows under XI.

VI.

Johannes Andreas de Vos, Chief Clerk, Customs, Galle, born 26th February 1766, died 26th September 1833, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle :—

(a) 2nd November 1788, Johanna Gerardina Kryger, born 15th September 1771, died 20th June 1815, daughter of Cornelis Kryger of Middelburg and Maria Elizabeth Broeckman.

(b) 4th November 1820, Johanna Margarita Ludovici, baptised 20th February 1791, widow of Johan Lodewyk Quyn of Matara, and daughter of Johan Hendrik Ludovici of Amsterdam, Garrison Surgeon of Matara, and Gertruida Rudolphina Hoffman. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. III, page 60).

Of the first marriage, he had :—

- 1 Magdalena Maria Helena, born 1st August 1790, died 28th December 1820, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 11th March 1804, Hendrik Van Hek, Assistant Customs Master, Galle, died 10th December 1823, (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. VI, page 100), son of Andries Van Hek of Amsterdam and Maria Vander Hoff.
- 2 Pieter Abraham, born 18th July 1792, died 11th August 1792.
- 3 Gerardina Dorothea, born 28th January 1794, married 11th June 1816, Johan Paul Hansen. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XIV, page 21).
- 4 Pieter Willem, who follows under XII.
- 5 Andreas Cornelis, who follows under XIII.
- 6 Johanna Henrietta Susanna, born 31st September 1802, married at Galle :—

(a) 23rd September 1819, Reynier Van Alken, born 31st May 1790, died 5th August 1826, son of Gerrit Van Alken of

Amsterdam, Garrison Surgeon, and Elizabeth Petronella Hoffman. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. III, page 60).

- (b) 14th February 1831, Captain Thomas James Anderson of Scotland, widower of Adriana Gertruida Toussaint. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. IV, page 36, and Vol. VI, page 65).
- 7 Christiana Petronella, born 13th November 1805, married William Frederick Andree, (Marriage licence issued on the 5th April 1827) son of William Hendrik Andree and Clara Elizabeth Van Hoven. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. X, page 14).
- 8 Everardina Dorothea, born 1st February 1807, married 21st July 1834, Charles Cornelis Toussaint, son of Johannes Frederick Toussaint and Johanna Adriana Henrietta Johnson. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. IV, pages 35 and 36).
- 9 Wilhelmina Magdalena, born 17th October 1810, married at Galle, 9th June 1834, James Dunbar Robertson, District Judge, Matara, born 1812, died 30th June 1854.
- 10 Johanna Dorothea Cornelia, born 4th October 1812, died 25th October 1815.

Of the second marriage, he had :—

- 11 Pieter Gerard, who follows under XIV.
- 12 Petronella Charlotta, baptised 24th July 1825.
- 13 Cornelis Everardus, baptised 30th March 1826.
- 14 George Paul, born 24th June 1829.

VII.

Albertus Cornelis de Vos, born 8th February 1774, died 30th July 1827, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 30th October 1806, Louisa Wilhelmina Knouw. He had by her :—

- 1 George Gerardus, baptised 5th August 1802.
- 2 Gerardina Eusonia, baptised 20th November 1803, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 20th September 1819, Lucas Francois Schokman, born 5th June 1794, died 2nd September 1879, son of Jan Arend Schokman and Sarah Petronella Wolff. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXV, pages 104 and 105).

VIII.

Pieter Juriaan de Vos, born 3rd May 1778, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 25th July 1802, Jacoba Henrica Rottiers, baptised 19th July 1798, daughter of Jacobus Abraham Rottiers and Henrica Franckena. He had by her :—

- 1 Gerardina Philippina, born August 1803, married Johannes Christianus Anthonisz, son of Jacobus Cornelis Anthonisz of Jaffna and Christina Gysberta Catharina Trek.
- 2 Georgiana, married..... Zeehuyzen.
- 3 Johanna Adriana, born 7th August 1806.
- 4 Pieter Hendrik, who follows under XV.
- 5 Johannes Gerardus, born 28th December 1811.
- 6 Johan Gerardt, baptised 28th May 1815.
- 7 Engelberta Pieterella, born 26th December 1816.

IX.

Pieter Lodewyk de Vos, Notary Public and Second Clerk, Kandyan Department, Chief Secretary's Office, baptised 22nd February 1795, died 26th July 1863, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 14th October 1819, Julia Theodora Kessels, baptised 23rd August 1801, daughter of Jacobus Kessels of Maastricht and Johanna Petronella Roerbach. He had by her:—

- 1 Anna Eliza Charlotta, born 9th October 1820, died 28th June 1856, married in St. Paul's Church, Pettah, Colombo 28th November 1839, James Swan, C.C.S., Principal Assistant Colonial Secretary, born 20th October 1817, died 13th May 1880, son of Joseph Swan and Louisa Anna Gonilliard. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXVI, pages 66 and 67).
- 2 Adriana Henrietta, born 6th November 1821, died 29th January 1845, married in St. Paul's Church, Pettah, Colombo, 24th February 1840, Diederich Cornelis Meier, born 25th February 1817, died 15th July 1885, son of Jacques Fabricius Meier and Catharina Claudia Ebert. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. VI, page 77, and Vol. XXIV, page 143).
- 3 Robert Francis, who follows under XVI.

X.

John George de Vos, Proctor, born 13th November 1810, died 3rd December 1889, married at Jaffna, 3rd February 1834, Elizabeth Euphrosine Merciana Francké, born 28th August 1817, died 25th October 1883, daughter of Adriaan Sebastiaan Francké and Johanna Henrietta Gratiaen. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. VIII, page 8, and Vol. VI, page 18). He had by her:—

John George, who follows under XVII.

XI.

Henry Benedict de Vos, Head Clerk, Loan Board Office, born 5th December 1814, died 7th February 1867, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 9th March 1840, Anna Elizabeth Brohier, born 19th July 1818, died 6th December 1875, daughter of Pieter Isaac John Brohier and Anna Louisa Isabella Van Ranzow. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. I, page 105). He had by her:—

- 1 Edmund Henry, Surveyor, born 30th November, 1840, died 18th November 1860.
- 2 Carolina Louisa Maria, born 27th December 1842, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 25th July 1859, Philip Edmund Joseph, born 22nd April 1836, son of Andries Adrianus Joseph and Carolina Amelia de Neys. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XII, page 25).
- 3 Richard Morgan, who follows under XVIII.
- 4 James Percival, who follows under XIX.
- 5 Harriet Frances, born 29th July 1851, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 19th November 1868, Henry Arthur de Vos, who follows under XXXII.
- 6 Walter Cecil, born 13th October 1853, died 1876.

XII.

Pieter Willem de Vos, born 7th October 1795, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal:—

- (a) 4th January 1813, Gertruida Cornelia Ebert, born 22nd October 1793, died 20th October 1823, daughter of Ryclof Johannes Ebert, Sitting Magistrate, Kalutara, and Susanna Vander Laan. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. VI, page 77).
- (b) 4th May 1825, Charlotta Eliza Von Hagt, born 16th July 1808, daughter of Jacobus Ernestus Von Hagt and Agnes Emerentia de Jong. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. IX, pages 125 and 128).

Of the first marriage, he had:—

- 1 Johanna Wilhelmina Gertruida, born 2nd November 1813.
- 2 Johan Gerardt, baptised 28th May 1815.
- 3 Willem Hendrik, who follows under XX.
- 4 Pieter Gerard, who follows under XXI.
- 5 Charles Paul Gerard, who follows under XXII.

Of the second marriage, he had:—

- 6 Agnes Susanna, born 23rd September 1826, died 6th May 1880, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 13th July 1846, Henricus Cornelis Jonklaas, born 15th July 1813, died 27th March 1894, widower of Louisa Wilhelmina Reimers, and son of Johannes Frederick Jonklaas and Catharina Henrietta Camp. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, pages 204 and 205).
- 7 Sophia Antonetta, baptised 14th November 1828, died 28th March 1869, married at Galle, 10th July 1845, Trutand Frederick Morgan, Police Magistrate, Matara, born 4th February 1819, died 10th August 1870, widower of Johanna Elizabeth Sophia Gauder, and son of Richard Owen Morgan and Bernarda Lucretia Lourensz. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. VIII, page 70, and Vol. XI, pages 62 and 63).
- 8 Frederick William, who follows under XXIII.
- 9 Adelaide Henrietta, born 2nd September 1834, married at Galle, 7th January 1856, William Bagenal Roosmale-Cocq, born 22nd June 1832, son of Stephen Henry Roosmale-Cocq, Sitting Magistrate, Negombo, and Maria Henrietta Schneider. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. VIII, page 69, and Vol. XIV, page 18).
- 10 Georgiana Wilhelmina, born 6th June 1836, married 14th May 1855, John William Ludovici, Proctor, born 23rd November 1830, son of Petrus Jacobus Hendrik Ludovici and Henrietta Josephina Smit. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. III, page 62).

XIII.

Andreas Cornelis de Vos, Deputy Fiscal, Galle, born 4th October 1799, married 10th July 1820, Edith Elizabeth Petronella Smit, baptised 24th April 1805, died November 1858, daughter of Joseph Smit of Dusseldorp, Agent of Revenue, Galle, and Peternella Henrietta Vollenhoven. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol III, page 61, and Vol. XXIII, page 93). He had by her:—

- 1 John Henry, born 25th August 1821, married Anna Carolina Schrader, born 5th May 1824, daughter of Christiaan Hendrik Schrader and Jane Spencer. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XI, page 71).

- 2 Johanna Sophia, born 1st April 1825, died 18th August 1846 married at Galle, 2nd September 1844, Bernard Adriaan Toussaint, born 10th April 1818, son of Pieter Frederick Toussaint, Police Magistrate, Point Pedro, and Anna Elizabeth Gratiaen. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. IV, page 38, and Vol. VI, page 18).
- 3 George Paul.
- 4 John Richard, born 18th October 1829, died 31st October 1831.
- 5 James Gerard born 2nd December 1832.
- 6 George Francis, born 24th May 1838, married Susan Toussaint, born 1840, daughter of Charles Cornelis Toussaint and Everardina Dorothea de Vos (vide VI, 8, supra, and D.B.U. Journal, Vol. IV, page 36).

XIV.

Pieter Gerard de Vos, baptised 27th July 1823, married at Colombo, 7th December 1842, Sarah Spencer. He had by her:—

- 1 James Frederick Dunbar, born 23rd April 1846.
- 2 Catharine Maud, born 21st October 1854.
- 3 Thomas, who follows under XXIV.
- 4 George.
- 5 William.
- 6 Margaret.

XV.

Pieter Hendrik de Vos, born 28th July 1810, married:—

- (a) Von Bergheim.
- (b) At Galle, 22nd February 1838, Elizabeth Anthonisz, daughter of Jacobus Cornelius Anthonisz and Christina Gysberta Catharina Trek.

Of the second marriage, he had:—

- 1 Henry, born 1840.
- 2 Pieter, born 1842.
- 3 Ellen, born 6th May 1845, died 11th September 1898, married Thomas de Vos, who follows under XXIV.

XVI.

Robert Francis de Vos, Doctor of Medicine, born 19th November 1824, died 11th August 1845, married at Calcutta, Eliza Frances Moran, and had by her:—

- 1 Ida Alice, married William Parker,

XVII.

John George de Vos, Registrar of Lands, Kurunegalle, born 5th June 1835, married 28th November 1857, Harriet Hunter. He had by her :—

- 1 Frances Harriet, born 24th August 1858, married 19th December 1891, James Forbes, Planter, Watterentenne Estate, Kandy.
- 2 Evelyn Caroline, born 3rd September 1860, married at Plymouth, 1st May 1899, Alfred Harold Lissant Cox, Surgeon, Royal Navy, H.M.S. "Victory".
- 3 Cyril James Hunter, who follows under XXV.
- 4 Hester Ellen, born 17th March 1864, married 23rd January 1889, Louis Philip Van Cuylenburg, Advocate, Straits Settlements, son of Frederick William Van Cuylenburg and Sophia Harriet Wootler. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. VII, page 82).
- 5 Alice Rosalie, born 12th July 1865, married 6th November 1893, George Bassett, Drill Instructor, Ceylon Light Infantry Volunteers, born 29th April 1868, son of George Bassett and Elizabeth Sterman of Swinford in Leicestershire, England.
- 6 Hugh George Miller, born 14th November 1867.
- 7 Lilian Marie, born 28th March 1869, married 8th September 1891, Richard Robertson, Sergeant Major of the Gordon Highlander Regiment.
- 8 Charlotta Ida Elizabeth, born 14th December 1871, married 28th December 1895, Charles Kent, Drill Instructor, Ceylon Light Infantry Volunteers.
- 9 John Douglas Boutflower, born 28th March 1873.
- 10 Arthur Edwin Gratiaen, born 7th September 1874.
- 11 Jessie Agnes, born 4th November 1876, died 10th December 1876.

XVIII.

Richard Morgan de Vos, born 14th February 1847, died 4th June 1908, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 28th June 1869, Anne Sophia Von Hagt, born 13th January 1851, died 4th May 1927, daughter of George Augustus Von Hagt and Henrietta Wilhelmina de Waas. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. IX, page 129). He had by her :—

- 1 Alfred Ernest Edward, born 30th March 1870.
- 2 Edith Hortensia, born 10th January 1872, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 22nd September 1897, Edgar Alfred Brohier, born 22nd November 1867, son of John Robert Augustus Brohier and Selina Margaret Louisa Koch. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. X, page 129).
- 3 Lloyd Percival, born 7th January 1874, died 14th October 1893.
- 4 Walter Harris, born 23rd December 1876, died 15th September 1926.
- 5 Alice Henrietta Juliet, born 25th August 1880, married :—
 - (a) In the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 7th March 1900, Albert Eric Van Rooyen, born 9th August 1867, died 19th December 1907, son of Charles Richard Van Rooyen and Charlotta Petronella Mack.
 - (b) In the Dutch Reformed Church, Bambalapitiya, 21st October 1908, William Henry Arthur Mack, born 23rd August 1872, son of William Henry Mack and Anne Catherine Van Dort.

XIX.

James Percival de Vos, Chief Clerk, Kachcheri, Colombo, born 1st March 1850, died 22nd January 1931, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal :—

- (a) 26th June 1879, Agnes Leonora Schokman, born 29th February 1852, died 28th November 1893, daughter of Johan William Schokman and Henrietta Florentina Van Geysel. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. X, page 73, and Vol. XXV, page 108).
- (b) 17th October 1895, Joseline Margaret Foenander, born 8th December 1866, daughter of Francis James Templer Foenander and Eliza Gerardina Ludekens. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XI, page 29, and Vol. XXIII, page 169).

Of the first marriage, he had :—

- 1 Clarence Percival, who follows under XXVI.
- 2 Florence Amelia, born 30th September 1882.
- 3 Muriel Clarice, born 11th April 1884, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Bambalapitiya, 12th December 1906, James

Reginald Toussaint, C.C.S., born 17th August 1879, son of Peter John Gratiaen Toussaint and Agnes Maria Grenier. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. IV, page 41, and Vol. XXIV, page 65).

- 4 Hubert Claude, Chief Clerk, General Treasury, born 14th October 1886.
- 5 Samuel Dennis, who follows under XXVII.
- 6 Victor Denzil, who follows under XXVIII.
- 7 Agnes Vivienne, born 18th November 1893, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Bambalapitiya, 28th April 1920, Cyril Frederick Deutrom, L.M.S. (Ceylon), L.R.C.P. & S. (Edin.), L.F.P. & S. (Glas.), Civil Medical Department, born 19th April 1891, son of Charles Frederik Deutrom and Drusilla Alice Woutersz.

Of the second marriage, he had :—

- 8 Jocelyn Prudence, born 28th September 1896.
- 9 James Percival, who follows under XXIX.
- 10 Frederick Vernon, born 28th November 1900.
- 11 Edward Kingsley, A.C.A., Accountant, Port Commission Office, born 1st January 1903.

XX.

Willem Hendrik de Vos, born 23rd December 1815, died 20th April 1877, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 12th July 1841, Charlotta Arabella Vander Smagt, born 28th September 1823, died 1st November 1899, daughter of Cornelis Godfried Vander Smagt and Arnoldina Josina Muller. He had by her :—

- 1 Louisa Maria, born 7th May 1842, died 1849.
- 2 Julia Agnes, born 13th October 1843, died February 1884.
- 3 William Edward, who follows under XXX
- 4 Pollina Dorothea, born 24th June 1847, died 1850.
- 5 Charlotte Frances, born 11th July 1849, died 14th October 1932.
- 6 Lydia Eleanor, born 1st September 1851, died 22nd July 1924 married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 4th January 1875, Cecil Ernest Schokman, born 22nd March 1852, died 1st February 1902, son of Charles Everhardus (Edward) Schokman and Joseline Petronella Van Geysel. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. X, page 73, and Vol. XXV, pages 108 and 114).
- 7 Henry Walter, who follows under XXXI.

- 8 James Oliver, born 27th July 1855, died 2nd February 1933.
- 9 Alice Caroline, born 9th October 1857, died 16th April 1936, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 22nd December 1879, Walter Edgar de Waas, born 6th December 1856, son of John William de Waas and Anna Henrietta Gratiaen. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. VI, page 20).
- 10 Grace Evelyn, born 12th October 1860, died 24th November 1917.
- 11 Joseline Arabella, born 1st January 1866.

XXI.

Pieter Gerard de Vos, born 6th August 1818, married in the Dutch Reformed Church Wolvendaal, 20th July 1846, Aletta, Elizabeth Jonklaas, born 15th September 1821, died 14th May 1901, daughter of Johannes Frederick Jonklaas and Catharina Henrietta Camp. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, page 205). He had by her :—

- 1 Henry Arthur, who follows under XXXII.

XXII.

Charles Paul Gerard de Vos, Deputy Post Master General, Galle, born 28th July 1821, married at Galle :—

- (a) 2nd October 1854, Anna Dorothea Toussaint, died 3rd June 1857, daughter of Charles Cornelis Toussaint, and Everardina Dorothea de Vos, (Vide VI, 8, supra, and D.B.U. Journal, Vol. IV, page 36).
- (b) 28th July 1858, Annetta Wilhelmina Anthonisz, born 22nd April 1834, daughter of Leonardus Henricus Anthonisz and Susanna Dorothea Deutrom.

Of the first marriage, he had :—

- 1 Alice Charlotte, born 10th July 1855, died 22nd August 1917.
- 2 Richard William, born 5th September 1856, died 11th November 1899, married Alice Stevens.

Of the second marriage, he had :—

- 3 Augusta Sarita, born 8th May 1859.
- 4 Susan, born 20th May 1861, died 16th August 1930.
- 5 Peter James, born 27th September 1863, died 4th February 1917.
- 6 Henry Lionel born 2nd September 1866, died 11th November 1897.
- 7 Hannah Maud, born 4th August 1869.

XXIII.

Frederick William de Vos, Proctor, Justice of the Peace, born 22nd July 1829, died 30th October 1883, married at Galle:—

(a) 26th July 1852, Sophia Elizabeth Anthonisz, born 9th February 1830, daughter of Leonardus Henricus Anthonisz and Susanna Dorothea Deutrom.

(b) 30th July 1856, Henrietta Dorothea Anthonisz, born 21st February 1832, died 22nd May 1909, daughter of Leonardus Henricus Anthonisz and Susanna Dorothea Deutrom.

Of the first marriage, he had:—

1 William Denis, who follows under XXXIII.

Of the second marriage, he had:—

2 Frederick Henry, Barrister at Law, Inner Temple, Advocate of the Supreme Court, Ceylon, Justice of the Peace, Captain in the Ceylon Light Infantry Volunteers, Member of the the Society of Dutch Literature, etc., of Leyden, President of the Dutch Burgher Union of Ceylon, 1912, born 14th September 1857, died 23rd July 1920.

3 Lydia, born 18th April 1859, died 2nd June 1927, married in All Saints' Church, Galle:—

(a) 2nd July 1880, Edwin Rowland Anthonisz, Proctor and Notary Public, born 30th November 1850, died 8th April 1893, son of James Edmund Anthonisz and Elisa Sarah Carolina Anthonisz.

(b) 11th February 1896, Reverend Montagu John Burrows, M.A., born 29th December 1853, died 7th December 1927, son of Reverend Henry William Burrows, B.D., Fellow of St. John's College, Oxford, Prebendary of St. Paul's, Vicar of Christ Church, St. Pancras, and Maria Oldfield.

4 Anne, born 30th June 1860, died 1902, married in All Saints' Church, Galle, 8th July 1891, James Stewart de Saram, C.C.S., son of Christoffel Henry de Saram, C.C.S., and Amelia Stewart.

5 Mary, born 7th September 1861, married in All Saints' Church, Galle, 29th December 1886, Richard Henry Morgan, Survey Department, Straits Settlements, born 12th October 1857, died 1912, son of Trutand Frederick Morgan and Sophia Antonetta de Vos. (vide XII, 7, supra, and D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XI, page 68).

6 Jane born 18th April 1863, died 25th April 1863.

7 Harriet, born 23rd May 1864, married in All Saints' Church, Galle, 23rd June 1886, Richard William Jonklaas, Proctor, born 18th September 1858, died 8th June 1935, son of Henricus Cornelis Jonklaas and Agnes Susan de Vos. (vide XII, 6, supra, and D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, page 206).

8 Amelia, born 27th December 1865, died 25th January 1911.

9 James Edward, who follows under XXXIV.

10 Lucilla Julia, born 10th November 1868, died 19th May 1936, married in All Saints' Church, Galle, 7th December 1893, Wilfred James Van Langeberg, Office Assistant to the Colonial Treasurer, born 28th February 1864, son of James Van Langenberg, Advocate of the Supreme Court, Ceylon, Member of the Legislative Council, Chevalier of the Order of St. Gregory the Great, and Susan Maria Toussaint. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. IV, page 37).

11 Edith Constance, born 12th April 1870, died 16th September 1918.

12 Frances Gertrude, born 14th October 1871, married in All Saints' Church, Galle, 27th September 1899, Vincent Van Langenberg, M.B.C.M. (Aber.), v.D., Deputy Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, Lieutenant Colonel, Ceylon Light Infantry, born 31st May 1870, son of James Van Langenberg, Advocate of the Supreme Court, Ceylon, Member of the Legislative Council, Chevalier of the Order of St. Gregory the Great, and Susan Maria Toussaint. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. IV, page 37).

13 Owen Dunbar, born 25th October 1872, died 16th September 1929.

14 Jocelyn Mabel, born 23rd August 1874, married in All Saints' Church, Galle, 16th April 1900, Frederick John de Vos, who follows under XXXV.

15 Adelaide Rotha, born 13th December 1875, drowned in the sea at Wellamaddema in Matara, 8th February 1890.

16 Sarita, born 29th March 1877, drowned in the sea at Wellamaddema in Matara, 8th February 1890, and buried in the Dutch Cemetery, Galle.

17 Dorothy, born 20th July 1880, married in All Saints' Church, Galle, 12th July 1899, Hayman Thornhill, Superintendent of Police, son of Hayman Thornhill, B.A., M.D., and Cecilia Augusta Harper.

XXIV.

Thomas de Vos, married Ellen de Vos (vide XV, 3, supra).
He had by her:—

- 1 William Thomas, born 9th May 1872.
- 2 Ada, born 17th March 1875.

XXV.

Cyril James Hunter de Vos, L.R.C.P. & S. (Edin.), Provincial Surgeon, Civil Medical Department, born 2nd June 1862, died 2nd September 1931, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendal, 28th December 1893, Florence Beatrice Van Dort, born 21st March 1876, died 3rd April 1930, daughter of Richard Daniel Van Dort and Josephine Laura Joseph. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XII, page 26). He had by her:—

- 1 Florence Mignonne, born 9th July 1902, married in St. Michael's and All Angels' Church, Colombo, 3rd December 1929, Hugh Frederick Vanden Driessen Ferdinands, born 5th September 1904, son of John Henry Ferdinands and Ethel Lucy Vanden Driessen. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXV, page 59 and 79).
- 2 Marjorie, born 14th September 1903, died 4th December 1903.
- 3 Cyril George Vernon, born 30th October 1904, died 10th December 1904.
- 4 Phyllis Nora, born 7th December 1908.

XXVI.

Clarence Percival de Vos, born 3rd September 1881, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Bambalapitiya, 4th December 1907, Linda May Austin, born 6th July 1887, daughter of Cyril Thomas Austin and Ada Lillian May Vander Straaten. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, page 164). He had by her:—

- 1 Clarinda Nobel, born 26th April 1910, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagriya, 10th June 1935, Charles Gerald Gratiaen Ebell, born 4th July 1908, son of Charles Henry Ebell and Daisy Agnes Mack.
- 2 Clarence Percival Austin, born 15th January 1914.

XXVII.

Samuel Dennis de Vos, L.M.S. (Ceylon), L.R.C.P. & S. (Edin.), L.F.P. & S. (Glas.), L.M. (Dublin), C.T.M., D.T.M. & D.P.H. (Lond.), Civil Medical Department, born 16th August 1890, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Bambalapitiya, 10th February 1915, Agnes Estelle Austin, born 15th February 1895, daughter of Cyril Thomas Austin and Ada Lillian May Vander Straaten. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, page 164). He had by her:—

- 1 Aileen Estelle, born 14th June 1916.
- 2 Samuel Dennis Austin, born 15th May 1925.

XXVIII.

Victor Denzil de Vos, Proctor, born 26th May 1892, married at the Kandy Kachcheri, 27th November 1925, Mary Dickman Keyt, born 17th January 1896, widow of David Ernest Grenier. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, page 68), and of Cyril Hugh Wambeek (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXVII, page 74), and daughter of Frederick Theobald Keyt, M.D. (Aber.), Colonial Surgeon, Civil Medical Department, and Mary Ann Eliza Dickman. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXVI, page 126). He had by her:—

- 1 James Denzil, born 2nd March 1927.
- 2 Rosemary Dickman, born 11th December 1928.
- 3 Wendy Elizabeth, born 20th October 1934.

XXIX.

James Percival de Vos, A.C.A., Accountant, Civil Medical Department, born 15th February 1899, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Bambalapitiya, 4th June 1923, Ruth Marion Johnson, born 19th November 1906, daughter of Henry Keith Johnson and Ruth Barbara Garvin. He had by her:—

- 1 June Valerie, born 2nd October 1929.
- 2 Yoland Nanel, born 2nd March 1931.
- 3 James Percival, born 20th August 1933.

XXX.

William Edward de Vos, Crown Proctor and Justice of the Peace, Galle, born 14th September 1845, died 25th May 1899, married:—

- (a) In the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 21st July 1869, Sophia Emelia Speldewinde, born 14th May 1846, died

8th February 1891, daughter of Cyrus Henry Speldewinde and Elizabeth Philipina Theresa Anthonisz.

(b) In the Methodist Church, Richmond Hill, Galle, 20th September 1893, Isabella Sarah Anthonisz, born 6th November 1857, died 28th March 1928, daughter of James Edmund Anthonisz and Eliza Sarah Caroline Anthonisz.

Of the first marriage, he had:—

- 1 Harriet Adelaide, born 23rd May 1870, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 16th October 1901, Trutand Edward Morgan, L.M.S. (Ceylon), born 3rd November 1868, died 3rd July 1903, son of Francis Gauder Morgan and Charlotta Clara Jansz. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XI, page 63).
- 2 Charles Edward, B.A. (Cantab), Barrister-at-Law, Crown Advocate, Galle, born 3rd September 1871.
- 3 Frederick John, who follows under XXXV.
- 4 William Arnold Speldewinde, who follows under XXXVI.
- 5 Evelyn, born 30th March 1875.
- 6 Ethel Lydia, born 21st April 1877, died 6th September 1931, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 26th December 1900, Henry Lawrence Ludovici, L.M.S. (Ceylon), L.R.C.P. & s. (Edin.), L.F.P. & s. (Glas.), C.T.M. (Lond.), Inspecting Medical Officer, Civil Medical Department, born 22nd May 1874, son of Edwin Andrew Lorenz Ludovici and Maria Evelyn Toussaint. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. III, page 63, and Vol. IV, page 37).
- 7 Edith, born 24th November 1878, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 15th November 1907, Edwin Ludovici, L.M.S. (Ceylon), born 28th June 1865, widower of Catharina Charlotte Selina Hole, and son of Edwin Andrew Lorenz Ludovici and Maria Evelyn Toussaint. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. III, page 63, and Vol. IV, page 37).
- 8 Theresa Eleanor, born 3rd September 1880, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 26th September 1906, William Ambrose Ludovici, Superintendent of Police, born 10th February 1876, son of Edwin Andrew Lorenz Ludovici and Maria Evelyn Toussaint. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. III, page 63, and Vol. IV, page 37).

- 9 Frances Emelia, born 25th June 1882, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 23rd December 1918, Hugh Christopher Rose Anthonisz, Superintendent of Excise, born 24th October 1872, son of James Edmund Anthonisz and Eliza Sarah Caroline Anthonisz.
- 10 Mary Alice, born 2nd October 1884, died 7th October 1929.
- 11 Richard Albert Henry, who follows under XXXVII.

XXXI.

Henry Walter de Vos, Chief Clerk and Accountant, Provincial Road Committee, Central Province, born 22nd September 1853, died 13th July 1920, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 21st January 1880, Mary Emily Ginger, born 8th June 1861, died 9th October 1925, daughter of Albert Rudolph Ginger and Emily Charlotte Selman. He had by her:—

- 1 Henry Albert Edward, Irrigation Inspector, born 29th October 1880, died in Persia, 16th January 1919, served in the Great War, 1914-1918. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XIV, page 3).
- 2 Sybil Elaine, born 22nd January 1882, married in the American Presbyterian Church, Bangkok, Siam, 20th March 1909, Albert Wilfred Wendt, born 9th November 1880, son of Daniel Augustus Wendt and Agnes Eleanor Driebeg. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. V, page 66).
- 3 Cecil Ruth Mary, born 9th June 1883.
- 4 Walter Denis, who follows under XXXVIII.
- 5 René, born 15th August 1886.
- 6 Harriet Constance, born 7th September 1888.
- 7 Gertrude Octavia, born 15th March 1891, married in Scots Kirk, Kandy, 19th January 1928, Alan Karl Beven, born 23rd November 1874, widower of Rhoda Spencer Vander Smagt, and son of Francis Beven and Julia Driebeg.
- 8 Charlobelle Erica, born 13th February 1893.
- 9 Gracie Banning, Proctor and Notary Public, born 12th January 1894.
- 10 Frank Reginald, Marine Engineer, born 20th February 1896.
- 11 Bryan Leslie, born 4th September 1897, Sapper R.E., killed in action in France, 28th March 1918. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XIV, page 3).

- 12 Frederick Loraine, born 27th July 1900, died 28th December 1900.

XXXII.

Henry Arthur de Vos, Chief Clerk, National Bank, Colombo, born 25th April 1847, died 12th June 1911, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal:—

- (a) 19th November 1868, Harriet Frances de Vos, (vide XI, 5, supra).
- (b) 16th October 1871, Jane Arabella Ebert, born 5th January 1848, died 27th June 1933, daughter of Jacobus Godfried Ebert and Louisa Adriana Jonklaas. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. VI, page 79, and Vol. XXIII, page 204).
Of the first marriage, he had:—
- 1 Harry Francis, born 17th September 1869, died 26th February 1897, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal 25th January 1894, Jane Maria Raffle.
Of the second marriage, he had:—
 - 2 Maria Helen, born 5th August 1874, married:—
 - (a) In the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 10th February 1894, William Charles Corfield of Birmingham, died 23rd February 1908.
 - (b) In the Registrar General's Office, Colombo, Charles Edward Keyt, died 2nd January 1914.
 - 3 Maud Dorothea Lucretia, born 23rd August 1876, died 12th July 1936.
 - 4 Mildred.
 - 5 Beatrice Priscilla, born 23rd May 1882, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Bambalapitiya, 26th December 1903, Frederick Ernest Keyt.
 - 6 Nora.
 - 7 Rosaline Gertrude, born 30th April 1888, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Bambalapitiya, 14th December 1904, John Oliver Edward Richardson, born 30th September 1877, son of John Frederick Richardson and Charlotte Frederica Ebert.

XXXIII.

William Denis de Vos, Proctor, born 11th May 1853, died 15th December 1893, married 20th December 1876, Frances Alice

Ondaatje, daughter of William Charles Ondaatje, Colonial Surgeon, Civil Medical Department, and Eliza Cowell. He had by her:—

- 1 Bertram, died at Natal in South Africa in 1904.
- 2 Charles Frederick Allan, born 16th April 1879, married Hilda Andree, daughter of Henry Dionysius (Daniel) Andree and Mary Ann Morris. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. II, page 144, and Vol. X, page 16).

XXXIV.

James Edward de Vos, Land Surveyor, born 25th May 1867, married in Christ Church, Tangalle, 3rd August 1892, Zilia Florence Jansz, died 24th March 1933, daughter of William Henry Jansz, Proctor, and Margaret Jansz. He had by her:—

- 1 Frederick William, who follows under XXXIX.
- 2 Margaret Henrietta, born 17th October 1894, married in St. Thomas' Church, Matara, 4th September 1916, Noel Edward Ernst, C.C.S., born 25th December 1891, son of John Henry Ernst, Proctor, and Rose Marion Vollenhoven. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, pages 91 and 94).

XXXV.

Frederick John de Vos, Proctor, born 13th December 1872, died 3rd April 1909, married in All Saints' Church, Galle, 16th April 1900, Jocelyn Mabel de Vos, (vide XXIII, 14 supra). He had by her:—

- 1 Mabel Wilhelmina, born 1st October 1902.
- 2 Henrietta Amelia, born 27th April 1905, married in All Saints' Church, Galle, 30th December 1924, Reginald Sydney Vernon Poulier, C.C.S., born 3rd August 1894, son of John Wilfred Poulier and Jessie Knowles. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, page 23).
- 3 Theresa Jocelyn, born 4th November 1906.
- 4 Frederick William Edward, who follows under XL.

XXXVI.

William Arnold Speldewinde de Vos, born 1st January, 1874, married in St. Stephen's Church, Negombo, 23rd September 1908, May Leembruggen, born 30th June 1886, daughter of Wilmot Edgar Leembruggen, L.R.C.P. & S. (Edin.), L.F.P. & S. (Glas.) Assistant Colonial Surgeon, Civil Medical Department, and Ruth Nell. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. IV, page 27). He had by her:—

- 1 Amelia May, born 8th July 1909.
- 2 William Edward Leembruggen, born 1st December 1910.
- 3 Wilhelmina Ruth, born 17th April 1914, died 6th October 1914.
- 4 Hermon Leslie, born 3rd October 1915.

XXXVII.

Richard Albert Henry de Vos, Proctor, born 21st December 1887, died 24th June 1931, married in All Saints' Church, Galle, 3rd January 1912, Henrietta Sophia Morgan, born 3rd August 1881, daughter of Richard Henry Morgan and Mary de Vos. (D.B. U. Journal, Vol. XI, page 64, and Vol. XXIII, 5 supra). He had by her:—

- 1 Charles William Richard, born 10th January 1916.
- 2 Sophia Amelia Mary, born 27th April 1917.

XXXVIII

Walter Denis de Vos, born 28th February 1885, died 22nd November 1931, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya, 1st October 1927, Christabel Manon Albrecht, born 5th May, 1897, son of Christian Edward Albrecht and Delia Marion Hoffman. He had by her:—

- 1 Delia Christabel Mary, born 14th July 1929.
- 2 Ruth Denise, born 20th October 1930.
- 3 Winifred Denise
- 4 Frederica Doreen } born 24th March 1932.

XXXIX.

Frederick William de Vos, born 29th July 1893, married in St. Michael's and All Angels' Church, Colombo, 26th December, 1925, Audrey Amelia de Saram, born 5th March 1903, daughter of William Frederick Henry de Saram, Proctor, and Renée de Saram. He had by her:—

- 1 Pamela Audrey, born 6th October 1926.
- 2 Anthony Frederic James, born 9th February 1928.
- 3 Babette, born 21st April 1929.
- 4 Pauline, born 26th November 1930.

XL.

Frederick William Edward de Vos, Proctor, born 4th November 1908, married in Holy Trinity Church, Colombo, 15th January 1936, Wilhelmina Maybelle Verna Drieberg Jonklaas, born 22nd May 1910, daughter of Algernon Clarence Byrde Jonklaas and Harriet Agnes Celia Drieberg. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, page 208). He had by her:—

- 1 Frederick John, born 26th December 1936.

THE 30th ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNION

This event was celebrated by a Dinner in the Union Hall on Thursday, 10th February. There was a large and representative gathering of members present, some of whom had come from distant outstations, while a number of distinguished guests also graced the occasion. Dr. R. L. Spittel, the President of the Union, presided, and had on his right His Excellency the Governor and on his left Lady Caldecott. The Hall was well got up for the occasion, and a *recherché* dinner was provided by the management of the New Colombo Ice Coy., Limited, under the personal supervision of Mr. Luzano. The menu cards were attractively printed, the pages being held together by orange-coloured cord, while an added attraction was given to the menu by the use of Dutch names to describe the various dishes. The Ceylon Police Band was stationed on the lawn at the back of the Hall and played a select programme of music.

THE TOAST OF THEIR EXCELLENCIES.

After the loyal toast, DR. R. L. SPITTEL rose to propose the toast of H. E. the Governor and Lady Caldecott. He said:—

“As President of the Dutch Burgher Union, it is my pleasant duty to welcome here Your Excellency and Lady Caldecott, and to convey to you our deep sense of gratitude for the honour you have done us in gracing this occasion—our 30th Anniversary—with your presence.

“Aware as we are of your impatience of social barriers, and your zest for a composite commonwealth (where sectional interests are merged in common causes), we appreciate all the more your presence here at a social meeting of one of the smallest communities in the Island. We realise, however, that there is nothing inconsistent in your anxiety to level all people and at the same time to attend the functions of small groups. For we feel that the presence of yourself and Lady Caldecott among us is actuated by a desire to get to know the various communities here.

“You, Sir, have told us on the very day you landed that your political maxim is the same as that of a motor sign post at a dangerous corner—*hem in*. But you have amply demonstrated by word and action that your motto is quick when it comes to acquainting

yourself with the people and conditions of this Island. Quick to learn, cautious to innovate, is a very fine political motto—even though it be reminiscent of the pace of the fox-trot: slow quick, quick slow, slow, slow.

"It is a common failing of mankind that the higher they soar in official status the more reserved and self-contained they tend to become—obscuring themselves in the clouds of their dizzy positions, or, should I say, in the cobwebs of gloomy isolation. But you, Sir, in spite of your high position, are a great democrat, a good mixer, a citizen of the world. You have been but four months among us, and already we feel we know you well, for though you are the Governor of this Island you are not afraid to be a man.

"Your example is an admonition to those who stagnate within the circle of their own society, or cling to the fatuous faith that to be familiar with the people of a country is to lower the prestige of the sceptred race. Your candid outspokenness is a quality we admire. We feel we know where we are with you. They would be fools who construe your friendliness to betoken pliancy.

"Your words at Jaffna the other day must have given many great pleasure. You said: "I come here not as a *deus ex machina* but as a constitutional Governor. I will lay your representations before my ministers." Nothing can be more explicit than that; and, I venture to say, nothing more satisfactory. It is good to see a Governor take a practical interest in the government of this country again. We have a serene faith that as long as the British watch our destinies, peace and justice will prevail in this Island.

"One of your most conspicuous utterances has been that a man of one race should be able to represent the interests of another. In making that bold challenging statement, so instinct with the spirit of democracy, you have jolted our sense of communal values—knocked our heads together as it were. That ideal, though it is admittedly difficult of attainment, is not as impossible as it may seem to some. The snag is conflicting interests; if these can be reconciled on the altar of a common cause, the problem is solved, as it is in many a human activity. But with politics it tends to be rather more difficult. As Sir Boyle Roche, the father of that blunder in speech known as the "bull" once said: "The muddy pool of politics was the rock on which we split". We hope, Sir, you will make it the rock on which we stand.

"Common interests are the great levellers of men. If people have something in common—whether it be religion, science, literature, sport or even some hobby, such as photography—racial barriers tend to fall away, and men assess each other at their worth. For the advancement of inter-racial good relations, opportunities are necessary for people of varied races to meet and mingle freely and thus get to know each other. Nowhere is there greater facility for this than in club life. The tendency with human beings, as with birds, is for those of a feather to flock together; and there is no harm in that. At the same time there is the need for an International Club. We have in Ceylon two such Clubs doing excellent work—Rotary and the Women's International. The women have stolen a march on the men. We have no Men's International Club. You, Sir, are a great bridge-builder. May we look forward to the foundation by you of a Caldecott Club which will perpetuate your high example? I give you, ladies and gentlemen, the toast of His Excellency the Governor and Lady Caldecott". The toast was drunk with musical honours amid loud applause.

TOAST OF THE UNION.

HIS EXCELLENCY, in replying to the toast and in proposing the toast of the Dutch Burghier Union of Ceylon, said that both his wife and himself were under a debt to the Dutch Burghier Union of Ceylon for the honour and pleasure afforded them of being present there that night. He was grateful to Dr. Spittel for the cordial manner in which the last toast was proposed and received. He could easily venture on an historical dissertation concerning the remarkable manner in which the destinies of Holland and Britain had been intertwined in three countries. He was, however, not going to speak to them on those matters because they, as members of the Dutch Burghier Union, were the possessors of two noble heritages—Dutch ancestry and British citizenship. (Applause.)

"Now I want to pass for a moment," said His Excellency, "to a criticism advanced against myself—not officially—so recently as yesterday. I was asked the question whether, after all my preaching against communalism, I was really in favour of communal unions, institutions and associations. I believe my questioner was actuated by the fact that I had the privilege of being Mr.

Senanayake's guest at the Sinhalese Sports Club. Well, my answer was, 'Yes, I approve of them strongly, provided always they are properly organised.' Nobody but an idiot—from which category I desire to dissociate myself (laughter)—would segregate himself from individuals, because he disapproved of individualism. And nobody, I submit, would segregate himself from communal associations and functions just because he hated—as I do—communalists. I hope my friend, the critic of yesterday, when he reads the "Daily News" and finds that I was your guest at this function, will not be shocked, because I have not been happier—I have been happy at other places too—but I have not been happier than I am this evening as your guest". (Applause).

DR. NELL'S REPLY.

DR. ANDREAS NELL replied to the toast in a speech sparkling with humour. He said that the Dutch Burgher Union had not in the least attempted to disregard the spirit of the age. They were for generations influenced by the spirit of the age without any disrespect for the spirit of the ages. Although started later than Unions of other Ceylonese Communities, the Dutch Burgher Union had been in existence for thirty years. The work during this period had been one of education, and not, as some people imagined, a perpetuation of tribal errors. As in the past, the members of the Community may be relied upon to do their duty as Ceylonese in social and other activities. "Ours is not a political body" declared Dr. Nell, "but on the principle of not letting the right hand know what the left hand is doing, some of us are likely to join Mr. Wille's Constitutional Society, and others have joined the Burgher Political Association. As Ceylonese we have not been antagonistic to movements which have for their object the welfare of Ceylon, and we may be relied upon to do our duty in the future. As a concrete example of anonymous services rendered, I may mention the traffic ring opposite our Club House, suggested by a member of our Community. There are many other contributions of a similar nature. Some uneasiness has been recently expressed to me about the far-reaching glorification of the State Council. Our Community has sufficient courage to look the situation in the face and calmly pass it by" (Loud laughter).

Dr. Nell then referred to the capacity of the Community for sustained endeavour and illustrated his point by an example drawn

from history. A member of the Community, who was an Assistant Surgeon in the service of the British, was clubbed to death in 1803 but was found alive a few hours later. He was then hanged by the neck and again found alive. He then passed through various vicissitudes and was able to report to the British Commander entering Kandy in 1815. On Dr. Nell's discussing this case with the late Mr. J. P. Lewis, the latter expressed his astonishment at the man's survival. Dr. Nell then remarked that this was an example of Dutch tenacity (Laughter). Mr. Lewis so much appreciated the fitness of the remark, said Dr. Nell, that he put it into his account of the history of the period. In conclusion Dr. Nell thanked His Excellency for the kind manner in which he had proposed the toast of the Union. (Loud applause).

THE TOASTS OF THE GUESTS.

MR. E. G. JONKLAAS said:—"The importance of the toast is such that I wonder why I have been selected for the honour of proposing it. Perhaps I have not faced my responsibilities as a Member of the Union as I ought to, and it is thought that bringing me out of my obscurity would remind me of my obligations and this opportunity has been taken and with reason, for the Toast, though important, involves no difficulty. It has only to be mentioned to be received and accepted with acclamation.

"What is it that makes a function of this nature a success? What is it that gives the utmost pleasure to the hosts? It is undoubtedly the presence of the Guests. We are indebted to the ladies for the beauty and the charm and the grace of the occasion. We have with us Sir James Obeyesekere, who was created a Knight early in life, and Sir John Tarbat, who was chosen from amongst the giants of the commercial world of the Island for the honour of Knighthood. Both men of distinction and of distinguished service. Then the Honourable Mr. D. S. Senanayake, our Minister of Agriculture and acting Leader of the House. He is a man of many parts. He shines in any capacity. It is said that a Rajah of old lives again in our Minister. I am not sure whether it is Bhuvaneka Bahu or Dutugemunu. But does the name matter? He still remains a Rajah. We have also with us two eminent Surgeons, the Drs. Paul, father and son, together in eminence but as Doctors they do not agree.

"Another member of the profession not satisfied with his greatness as a physician is also a Colonel of Colonels. He represented the Defence Force of this Island with credit at the Coronation of our King Emperor. He is perhaps qualifying to be the first Brigadier of the first Ceylonese Regiment. An eminent member of the Civil Service in Mr. Wickremasinghe, an eminent divine in our Warden, and a prominent member of the legal profession, my friend Mr. Stanley de Saram, are also among our guests. Then there is that Master of Finance, our Auditor General. Ever vigilant, he does not permit or overlook the slightest loss to any institution over which he has control. He is a terror to Urban Councils and an expert on Queries—relevant or irrelevant. My advice to all Chairmen is to reply to them, whether relevant or not, otherwise there will be trouble, more trouble and still more trouble. But he is a true sportsman. Do your duty and he will not fail to play the game.

"Lastly, but by no means least, there is that great educationist—Professor Marrs—a man of sterling merit and head of the University College of Colombo—that sounds better than the University of Dumbarton. I shall say no more but now cry halt as it is probable that the Professor who is to respond to this Toast is in agreement with the Director of Education, who has stated recently that there is too much "speechifying" in this Island.

"Ladies and Gentlemen, in this Toast I include His Excellency and Lady Caldecott, as you will agree that they are not only deserving of being toasted a second time, but that they deserve to be toasted over and over again. I give you the Toast of Toasts—OUR GUESTS". (Loud applause).

PROFESSOR MARRS' REPLY.

The toast was replied to by PROFESSOR R. MARRS, who paid a tribute of admiration to the part which the Burgher Community had played in all spheres of life in Ceylon, public, professional and cultural, and asked: "In what field have the Burghers not played their part for the glory of Ceylon?" He referred to the prowess of the President, Dr. R. L. Spittel, and to the multifarious achievements of the Mayor, Dr. V. R. Schokman (his own particular host that evening), who might be dubbed the "Monarch of the Glen." On behalf of the ladies among the guests he expressed their appre-

ciation of the beauty, personal charm, and intelligence of the ladies among their hosts. (Applause).

In conclusion Professor Marrs said that, however gloomy the political fate of the Community might appear, the best advice he could give to the Dutch Burgher Union and the Community as a whole, was that they should use all available resources to assist the youth of the Community to reach the highest standards of excellence by education, and thus establish their claim to selection for the highest positions, since it remained true that "we needs must choose the highest when we see it." He added that research into the Dutch period of Ceylon History offered an excellent field for young scholars of the Burgher Community. On behalf of all the guests he thanked the Dutch Burgher Union for their splendid hospitality. (Loud applause).

GENEALOGY OF THE MEYNERT FAMILY

(Compiled by Mr. D. V. Altendorff).

I.

Matthys Meinert, married Anna Catharina Moesman. He had by her:—

- 1 Juliana Dorothea, baptised 10th April 1772, married Henning Gotlob Ernst Van Ranzow, born 18th June 1768, died 27th November 1847. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. I, page 103).
- 2 Estia Cornelia, baptised 26th March 1774.
- 3 Johan Christiaan, who follows under II.
- 4 Johanna Hendrietta, baptised 25th September 1778.
- 5 Barbara, born 29th August 1780.
- 6 Katharina Elizabeth, born 21st March 1783.
- 7 Margarita, married Johan Fredrik Beleke. (D.B.U. Journal Vol. XXI, page 153).
- 8 Maria Gerardina, baptised 30th March 1787, married at Kalutara, 1st September 1806, Jacobus Vander Wall, baptised 16th February 1792, died 1855, son of Anthony Vander Wall and Clara Jansz. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, page 151).

II.

Johan Christiaan Meinert, baptised 26th January 1776, died 5th May 1821, married 6th March 1796, Maria Magdalena Hitte, died 29th May 1834. He had by her :—

- 1 George Frederick Christiaan, who follows under III.
- 2 Johan Gerard, baptised 14th July 1799.

III.

George Frederick Christiaan Meynert, born 9th April 1797, died 29th April 1853, married in the Methodist Church, Kalutara, 28th December 1820, Georgiana Rensina Gambs, born 10th April 1805, died 10th July 1875, daughter of Joseph Lorenz Christiaan Gambs and Amelia Hermione de Visser. He had by her :—

- 1 John Christian Forester, who follows under IV.
- 2 Henry Adrian, born 13th February 1825, died 19th November 1902.
- 3 George Frederick, born 13th December 1826, died 15th September 1853.
- 4 Amelia Sophia, born 8th May 1828, died 8th May 1911, married in St. Luke's Church, Ratnapura, 2nd May 1850, Francis Frederick Theodore La Brooy, Secretary, District Court, Galle, born 14th May 1825, died 13th November 1900, son of Henrius Thedius La Brooy and Petronella Frederica Rudiger. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, page 71).
- 5 Jane Georgiana Victoria, born 15th October 1831, died 27th December 1917, married in the Methodist Church, Kalutara, 23rd July 1851, Casparus William Vander Wall, Proctor, born 4th November 1821, died 31st August 1869, son of Jacobus Vander Wall and Elizabeth Beleke. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, page 155).
- 6 Anna Thomasia, born 19th August 1833, died 11th May 1843.
- 7 Louisa Theodora, born 30th June 1836, died 15th February 1876, married in the Methodist Church, Kalutara, 29th December 1859, John Francis Koelmeyer, born 23rd June 1829, died 17th October 1906, son of Carolus Ensenius Koelmeyer andBarentsz.

8 William Charles, who follows under V.

9 Maria Eliza, born 23rd August 1839, died 24th August 1930, married in Holy Trinity Church, Colombo, 19th December 1863, William George Augustus Hepponstall, born 20th August 1838, died 6th June 1886, son of William Hepponstall and Margaret Butterfield. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXVII, page 76).

IV.

John Christian Forester Meynert, born 19th October 1821, died 25th January 1892, married in St. Stephen's Church, Trincomalee, 23rd February 1846, Louisa Theodora Koelmeyer, born 10th February 1827, died 2nd May 1894, daughter of Carolus Eusenius Koelmeyer andBarentsz. He had by her :—

- 1 Georgiana Wilhelmina Cornelia Sophia, born 10th December 1846, died 14th February 1850.
- 2 Caroline Julia Eliza, born 8th December 1847, died 19th November 1916, married in St. Luke's Church, Ratnapura, 25th November 1867, Jurian William de Zilva, Proctor.
- 3 James Trutand, born 3rd May 1849, died 15th January 1850.
- 4 Cornelia Augusta Sophia, born 19th July 1850, died 15th May 1884, married in the Methodist Church, Kalutara, 22nd July 1869, William Albert Poulier, Planter, born 22nd May 1844, died 12th July 1914, son of Reverend Johannes Adrian Poulier of the Methodist Church and Anna Adelaide Van Houten. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, page 26).
- 5 William Lewis, who follows under VI.

V.

William Charles Meynert, born 17th August 1838, died 17th June 1883, married in the Methodist Church, Kalutara, 20th November 1868, Susan Caroline Grebe, born 1851, died 18th January 1880, daughter of Joseph Christian Lorensz Grebe and Louisa Theodora Vander Wall. He had by her :—

- 1 Lilian Caroline Victoria, born 15th October 1869, married in the Methodist Church, Mannar, 6th September 1897, Cecil Richard Lorensz Herft, District Engineer, Public Works Department, born 13th February 1860, son of Henry Daniel Herft and Sarah Lamberta Bartholomeusz,

- 2 Ada Eliza Georgiana, born 22nd July 1872, died 6th June 1907, married in St. John's Church, Kalutara, Edwin Edward Herft, died 28th December 1916.
- 3 George Frederick, born 26th June 1874, died 25th June 1876.
- 4 Henry Swinburne Watten, who follows under VII.

VI.

William Lewis Meynert, born 29th March 1854, died 22nd March 1929, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 3rd May 1876, Caroline Cecilia Rode. He had by her:—

- 1 Allan Trutand, who follows under VIII.
 - 2 William Henry, born 27th November 1878.
 - 3 Winifred Mabel, born 18th June 1880, married in Christ Church, Matale, 29th July 1905, Tyril Owen Ephraums, born 7th May 1871, died 30th April 1914, son of Edmund Dunbar Ephraums and Jane Koopman. (D. U. B. Journal, Vol. XXIV, pages 107 and 111).
 - 4 Clarice Eleanor Grace, born 22nd December 1881, married in St. Mary's Church, Dehiwala, 27th April 1914, John Henry Beling, born 30th July 1886, son of John Henry Beling and Seraphina Elizabeth Moldrich. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. VII, page 136).
 - 5 Arthur, died young.
 - 6 Ethel Florence, born 30th January 1884, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagriya, Osmund William Van Sanden, born 31st October 1888, died 10th August 1924, son of Andrew George Van Sanden and Darling Evangeline Misso.
 - 7 Edith Ida, born 1st August 1886, died 11th August 1936.
 - 8 Lilian Gertrude, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagriya, 28th March 1910, Lionel Hugh Ferdinands, born 27th June 1882, son of George Cornelis Ferdinands and Louisa Sarah Newman. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. XXV, page 80).
 - 9 Elaine Lena, born 21st February 1892, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Dehiwala:—
- (a) 21st September 1912, James Anderson Oorloff Vander Wert, born 6th October 1890, died 20th November 1927, son of Jacob Henry Vander Wert and Emily Helen Oorloff,

- (b) 27th April 1929, Edgar Ambrose, born 14th December 1873, widower of Lydia Vander Wert and of Blanche Vander Wert, and son of Adam Clark Ambrose and Matilda Jacobina de Bruin.
- 10 Rita Belle, born 3rd February 1896, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagriya, 27th June 1917, Neil Lyle Vollenhoven, born 29th March 1877, son of Arthur Lindsay Vollenhoven and Evelyn Maude de Zilwa. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, page 94).

VII.

Henry Swinburne Watten Meynert, Proctor, born 2nd December 1876, died 2nd February 1912, married in Christ Church, Galle Face, Colombo, 19th February 1906, Beatrice Mary Buckley, born 9th November 1880, died 7th July 1932, daughter of Edward Buckley and Sarah Anne Cullen. He had by her:—

- 1 Swinburne Justin Augustus Lorenz Buckley, born 29th December 1906, married in St. Paul's Church, Kandy, 8th November 1930, Alma Evangeline Pearl de la Harpe, born 19th August 1908, daughter of Peter Henry de la Harpe, C.C.S., and Mary Elizabeth Van Sanden.
- 2 Shadwell Grebe Ryan Buckley, who follows under IX.
- 3 Penryn Daryl Vere Buckley, born 4th May 1909.
- 4 Triceburne Travice George Buckley, born 4th June 1910.
- 5 Shirley Edward Lloyd Buckley, born 14th October, 1911.

VIII.

Allan Trutand Meynert, born 27th March 1877, married at Kuala Lumpur, Helen Catherine Brougham. He had by her:—

- 1 William.
- 2 Glen.
- 3 Maisie.
- 4 Edward.

IX.

Shadwell Grebe Ryan Buckley Meynert, born 15th April 1908, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Bambalapitiya, 6th April 1931, Sylvian Myra Pereira, born 19th August 1908, daughter of George Edgar Pereira and Myra Dagmar Louise Heyzer. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXVI, page 29). He had by her:—

1 Shadwell Scott, born 9th November 1934.

NOTE:—The following is an entry preserved in the Government Archives:

"Fredrik Geerhard Mynhard of Hildestein, Anno 1747, per ship "Kerkwyk".

In the Marriage Register of the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, under date 26th October 1766, there is the following entry:

"Fredrick Gerard Meinert of Hildestein met Regina Perera."

Both entries appear to relate to the same person, and probably Fredrik Geerhard Mynhard *alias* Fredrick Gerard Meinert was a brother of Matthys Meinert referred to under I.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

Proceedings of the Thirtieth Annual General Meeting of the Dutch Burgher Union held in the Union Hall on Saturday, 19th March, 1938, at 4-30 p.m.

Dr. R. L. Spittel, the President, occupied the Chair, and there were about 100 members present.

The Honorary Secretary read the notice convening the meeting, after which the Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting, as well as of the Special General Meeting held on 27th September, 1937, were read and confirmed.

Presidential Address.

THE PRESIDENT then reviewed the work of the past year. He referred to the satisfactory increase in the membership and deplored the death of Mr. E. H. Vanderwall, who had taken such a whole-hearted interest in the activities of the Union. He emphasised the good work done by the Literary Committee and asked for more support for the *Journal*. Social Service, he said, was languishing for want of funds and he pleaded for more subscribers. In this connection he suggested the creation of a Vocational Loan Fund of at least Rs. 10,000 through which the promising students of the Community, whose parents could not afford to give them the opportunity of entering one of the learned professions, could be helped to do so. In this connection he refer-

red to a specially deserving case of a young student. Dr. Spittel paid a tribute to the labours of the Honorary Secretary, to whose whole-hearted efforts the admission of such a large number of new members was due. The Committee for Entertainment and Sport, he said, had provided a varied programme of functions, and their labours left nothing to be desired. He referred in detail to the other salient points in the Report, such as the incorporation of the "Union Board", the inauguration of the minor employees' Provident Fund, the Union Proprietorship Scheme, etc., and with regard to the trust funds, he suggested the investment of the money in the purchase of land and the building of houses thereon. Finally, he drew attention to the satisfactory state of the finances and paid a tribute to the good work done by the Honorary Treasurer. He then proposed the adoption of the Report and Accounts for 1937.

MR. D. V. ALTENDORFF, in seconding the motion, said that the Report disclosed that the Union had had a remarkably successful year, and all its activities had made considerable progress. The accounts shewed that the Union was in a very satisfactory financial position. But the comparative statement at the foot of the Report was open to some observations. While the amount of subscriptions collected in 1937, as compared with that collected in 1936, was highly satisfactory, the next item relating to Bar Profits was, in his opinion, not so satisfactory as it appeared at first sight. The Bar Profits in 1937 amounted to Rs. 4,688.80, but the Balance Sheet indicated that so large a sum as Rs. 1,021.55 was outstanding at the end of the year. It may happen that a good portion of this amount may have to be struck off as irrecoverable, as had occurred in the past. The one and only remedy to check or put a stop to this was strictly to enforce Rule 6 (f), and he hoped that that would be done in future.

MR. J. A. MARTENSZ:—I would like, Mr. Chairman, to make a few observations on the matter of assistance to be given to the boys of poor parents to enable them to qualify themselves for the professions which you touched on in the course of your address just now. The subject is one which I raised at the annual meeting last year, and it is to be regretted that the matter has not been carried forward further.

The question of higher education for the poorer boys of our community is one which merits serious consideration for the reason that, unless we can pick out from members of our community boys of good character and high mental ability to qualify for the professions, we as a community will be left behind in the race for higher office in this Island. There is little doubt that, in spite of what has been said in some quarters, we as a community will receive just treatment at the hands of the majority community; but our self-respect will not permit of our seeking for favours hat in hand; we must show that we have boys fully qualified to take high and responsible office and ask that they be given fair treatment as a matter of right.

One sees around us in every-day life how our community is failing for want of proper representation in the affairs of this country by men of proved ability, and I feel that it is a duty which we who are able to do so owe to our poorer brothers to help them in the direction indicated.

You mentioned just now, Sir, the case of a boy who has been well recommended, but whose parents are unable to pay for his higher education and qualification as a Doctor, and indicated that you were willing to assist in whatever way you could. I put forward the proposal that, if ten others are willing to pay a similar amount, I am prepared myself to give a thousand rupees towards the boy's education and expenses at the Medical College, and I hope that a real effort will be made to carry the scheme through. I appreciate it will be necessary that any assistance given must, in the boy's interest, be in the nature of a loan to be repaid on his qualifying and securing a proper position, and furthermore that the details will have to be worked out to make the arrangement binding; also it may be that some men who are willing to subscribe would prefer to make payment by instalments and, in order to ensure that the full amount will be forthcoming even in the case of death, arrangements will have to be made accordingly.

I very sincerely appeal to other members of our community who are able to do so to respond generously, because it is only by some sacrifice that success will be achieved, and success so far even as a single boy is concerned is something which will contribute towards our community finding a place on our local map. (Applause).

The President, in putting the motion for the adoption of the Report and Accounts to the Meeting, stated that he had inaugurated the Vocational Loan Fund by a subscription of Rs. 1,000, and with Mr. Martensz's Rs. 1,000, and a further Rs. 1,000 which Dr. de Vos had intimated to him that he would give, they had Rs. 3,000, and they only wanted another seven subscriptions of Rs. 1,000 each to make up the Rs. 10,000 required. The motion for the adoption of the Report and Accounts was then put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

Dr. Andreas Nell proposed and Mr. J. A. Martensz seconded a vote of thanks to the retiring office-bearers. The motion was carried unanimously.

On the motion of Mr. D. V. Altendorff, seconded by Dr. R. L. Spittel, a vote of thanks was passed to the retiring Committee.

Election of Office-bearers.

Dr. R. L. Spittel said that it was customary at that stage for the President to vacate the Chair, but he did not propose to do so on the present occasion as he was not standing for re-election: He felt that although a year was not sufficient for the President to make his influence felt, two years was quite enough for him to get into his stride. He was going to propose for the office of President the name of Mr. J. R. Toussaint who had worked whole-heartedly for the Union, and who, he felt sure, would be acceptable to all. (Applause). He felt he could not do better than read a letter he had received from a respected senior Member of the Union regarding Mr. Toussaint's fitness for the office. Dr. Spittel then read out the letter and proposed the name of Mr. J. R. Toussaint as President for 1938.

Mr. R. L. Brohier seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Toussaint then occupied the Chair, which was vacated by Dr. Spittel, and said:—"I thank you very sincerely for the honour you have done me in electing me as your President, and I also thank Dr. Spittel for the nice way in which he has proposed my name. This office has been filled by a long line of distinguished members of our Community with great credit to themselves, and it is only through the goodwill and co-operation of each and every member of the Union that I can hope to achieve the same success

myself. I feel sure that that goodwill and cooperation will not be withheld from me.

"It is sometimes usual for a President on assuming office for the first time, to indicate what his policy is going to be. To put it shortly, my policy will be *consolidation*, not *innovation*. The foundations of the Union have been well and truly laid by my distinguished predecessors, not the least of whom is our retiring President, and what is now required is only to carry on the good work initiated by them. There is one particular direction, however, in which some pioneer work can be done. Recently we have heard a good deal about inter-communal bridge-building. It seems to me that what we require very badly is bridge-building *within* our own Community. The complaint is often made, and not without justification, that members coming here feel as if they were among strangers. No effort is made to bring the members closer together, and this gives rise to a feeling of lukewarmness, if not of antagonism towards the Union. The ideal we should aim at is to make members feel that when they come to the Club they are among friends, who are all animated with one common object, and that is the welfare of the Community. I hope during my term of office to work towards this end, and I feel sure I can count on the co-operation of you all. Once again I thank you for the high honour you have done me".

Mr. Rosslyn Koch proposed and Mr. D. V. Altendorff seconded the re-election of Dr. Sam de Vos as Honorary Secretary. The motion on being put to the meeting was carried unanimously.

Mr. Gordon Jansz was unanimously re-elected Treasurer on the motion of Dr. Andreas Nell, seconded by Mr. Wace de Niese.

Mr. J. F. Jansz proposed and Mr. B. Kriekenbeek seconded that the following members do form the Committee of Management for the year 1938:—

Colombo: Mr. D. V. Altendorff, Dr. E. W. Arndt, Mr. R. L. Brohier, Dr. R. W. Willenberg, Mr. W. W. Beling, Dr. H. S. Christoffelsz, Mr. Allan Driberg, Dr. F. V. Foenander, Mr. A. L. Fretz, Mr. G. H. Gratiaen, Hon. Mr. A. E. Keuneman, Mr. Rosslyn Koch, Mr. H. E. de Kretser, Mr. H. K. de Kretser, Dr. N. Kelaart, Mr. F. E. Loos, Mr. A. E. Meier, Mr. J. A. Martensz, Dr. Andreas Nell, Mr. J. G. Paulusz, Dr. L. E. J. Poulrier, Sir Stewart Schneider, Dr. R. L. Spittel, Dr. V. R. Schokman, Mr. C. C. Schokman, Mr. C. A.

Speldewinde, Mr. E. A. Vander Straaten, Mr. H. Vanden Driesen, Mr. G. A. Wille, and Mr. J. J. Weinman. *Outstation*: Mr. G. H. Altendorff, Mr. C. P. Brohier, Dr. F. E. R. Bartholomeusz, Mr. Wace de Niese, Mr. C. E. de Vos, Mr. N. E. Ernst, Col. A. C. B. Jonklaas, Mr. E. G. Jonklaas, Mr. G. P. Keuneman, Mr. V. C. Kelaart, Dr. H. U. Leembruggen, Dr. H. Ludovici, Mr. R. S. V. Poulrier, Mr. C. G. Schokman, Mr. A. N. Weinman.

Mr. Gordon Jansz proposed and Mr. Fred Loos seconded as an amendment the following list:—

Colombo: Sir Stewart Schneider, Hon. Mr. A. E. Keuneman, Mr. G. A. Wille, Dr. V. R. Schokman, Dr. E. W. Arndt, Mr. D. V. Altendorff, Mr. E. A. Vander Straaten, Mr. J. J. Weinman, Mr. J. G. Paulusz, Dr. A. Nell, Dr. F. Foenander, Mr. J. A. Martensz, Mr. Frank Loos, Mr. H. E. de Kretser, Mr. R. L. Brohier, Mr. Rosslyn Koch, Dr. R. W. Willenberg, Mr. J. W. Smith, Dr. G. F. Bartholomeusz, Mr. A. L. Fretz, Mr. C. C. Schokman, Dr. H. S. Christoffelsz, Mr. W. W. Beling, Mr. A. C. Meier, Mr. C. A. Speldewinde, Mr. G. H. Gratiaen, Mr. K. E. Kellar, Mr. Leslie de Kretser, Jr. and Mr. H. K. de Kretser. *Outstation*: Mr. G. H. Altendorff, Mr. C. P. Brohier, Dr. F. E. R. Bartholomeusz, Mr. Wace de Niese, Mr. C. E. de Vos, Mr. N. E. Ernst, Col. A. C. B. Jonklaas, Mr. G. P. Keuneman, Mr. V. J. C. Jonklaas, Dr. H. U. Leembruggen, Dr. H. Ludovici, Mr. R. S. V. Poulrier, Mr. C. G. Schokman, Mr. A. N. Weinman.

The President pointed out that if the names in the new list were put *en bloc*, the members would not be in a position to know how that list differed from the original list, and he asked the proposer to indicate the variations.

Mr. R. L. Brohier asked that the new list be put as an amendment.

Dr. V. R. Schokman pointed out that as the new list contained nearly all the names in the original list, it could not be regarded as an amendment. The proper course would be to indicate the new names and to state in whose places they were to be substituted.

The President then put the question to the house whether the amended list should be put *en bloc*, and the meeting decided against it by 28 votes to 23. An analysis of the two lists was thereupon

made, and the President put the question to the house whether the new names appearing in the amended list of Colombo members should be substituted for the names appearing in the original list but omitted from the amended list. The meeting decided against it by a large majority. The original list was then put to the meeting and carried.

Mr. Wace de Niese proposed and Mr. Rosslyn Koch seconded the appointment of Messrs. Krishna and Rogers as Auditors on a remuneration of Rs. 120. The motion was carried unanimously.

A collection was taken in aid of the Social Service Fund and realised Rs. 48-95.

The meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

THIRTIETH ANNUAL REPORT.

Your Committee have much pleasure in submitting the following report for the year 1937.

1. **Membership.** A very gratifying increase in the membership has to be recorded. The number of members on the roll on the 31st December 1937 was 410 as compared with 347 in the previous year. Eleven members resigned, seven members were struck off under rule 6 (c) and (f) of the Constitution, while the Union lost 3 members by death. The number of new members enrolled during the year was 74, to which must be added 10 members who rejoined.

2. **General Committee and Office-Bearers.** Twelve meetings of the Committee were held during the year with an average attendance of 22. During the course of the year Mr. W. W. Beling was obliged to resign the post of Honorary Treasurer owing to pressure of other duties, and Mr. Gordon Jansz was appointed in his place, Mr. Beling being elected to fill the resulting vacancy on the Committee.

The Union suffered a heavy loss by the death of Mr. E. H. vanderWall on 31st January, 1938. An original member of the Union, Mr. vanderWall served on the Committee from the very beginning and took a deep interest in all the activities of the Union. He was elected President in 1935 and served in that capacity for

one year. His name will always be associated with the grant of free scholarships for English speaking children.

3. **Committee for Ethical and Literary Purposes.** Much useful work was done by this Committee during the year. The series of readings was continued, while lectures formed a welcome interlude. The Reading Circle met seven times to discuss the following topics:—Frederick Nell and his Literary Circle, Some Versions of the Portuguese Era in Ceylon History, The Literary Charm of the Bible, Some Features of Galsworthy's Plays, Rudyard Kipling, The Essays of Elia, and The Humour of Lorenz, introduced respectively by Mr. J. R. Toussaint, Dr. A. Nell, Mr. J. G. Paulusz, Mr. R. A. Kriekeubeek, Mr. N. Bartholomeusz, Mrs. J. H. O. Paulusz and Mr. J. R. Toussaint. Two illustrated lantern lectures were also delivered—one on 'Bali' by Mr. S. Mahadeva, and the other on 'The Veddas' by Dr. R. L. Spittel.

The Literary Committee was unfortunate in losing the services of Mr. Neil Willé as Secretary. Mr. Willé did much to maintain the high level of the papers read and the discussions which followed.

The Drama Group under the direction of Mrs. E. G. Gratiaen staged two plays, "Over the Tea-cups" and "Mother of Judas". The acting reached a high standard and attracted a large audience. The profits were credited to the Social Service Fund.

4. **Committee for Purposes of Social Service.** The Committee meets on the 2nd Monday of every month. There was an average attendance of 9 at the 12 meetings held during the year. Regular monthly assistance is being given in 31 cases. In 12 of these the grants are paid direct to schools to cover either the whole or part of the fees of the children of poor parents. In the other cases the grants are given to members of the Community who are in great want. The practice of making payments at the Union Hall at 9 a.m. on the 3rd of every month has proved very satisfactory, and gives the members of the Committee an opportunity of personal contact with the beneficiaries. Several applications for assistance from very deserving cases have had to be turned down for want of funds, and once again all members are urged to become regular monthly subscribers to the Social Service Fund, or to make regular annual donations thereto.

The Willing Workers' Depot continues to do good work and has been able to distribute with advantage all the old garments received. The demand for these clothes is great and this is another direction in which members could be of assistance. Thirty hampers were distributed at Christmas. The cost of these was met from the proceeds of an "Eats Bazaar" held in November. Our thanks are due to all those who helped.

The total receipts were as follows :—

Members' Contributions	...	Rs.	1,588.20
Proceeds of Plays	...	"	231.66
Interest	...	"	355.98

Total Rs. 2,175.84

5. Committee for Purposes of Genealogical Research.

Fourteen meetings were held at which 75 applications were considered and recommended to the General Committee.

6. Committee for Purposes of Increasing Membership.

This Committee did not find it necessary to meet as there was a steady inflow of applications as a result of the whole-hearted efforts of the Honorary Secretary to bring in new members.

7. Committee for Purposes of Entertainment and Sport.

This Committee met eight times during the year under review. At the first meeting a programme of functions for the year was drawn up and this was followed as far as possible. A new feature was the introduction of social evenings for members. As there were members who wished to introduce guests, a guest night, on the 4th Saturday of each month at 8.30 p.m., was decided on. These functions have proved a great social and financial success.

There were two Members' Days—one on 18th June when Mrs. Arnold Rodé and Mrs. Sam de Vos were the hostesses, and one on 15th October when Mrs. R. L. Spittel was the hostess. The Coronation Dance, Race Ball, New Year's Eve Dance and St. Valentine's Dance were all very enjoyable.

Two Billiard Tournaments were worked off during the year, but were very poorly supported. Mr. G. A. H. Willé was an easy winner in one event in spite of a heavy handicap, while Mr. Henry Ludovici was the winner of the other with Mr. Rosslyn Koch as

runner-up. A Bridge Drive organised by Mrs. Eric Swan proved a great success.

8. **Incorporation of the "Union Board".** The Committee are glad to report that the incorporation of the Union under the Trusts Ordinance No. 9 of 1917 is at last an accomplished fact. This was effected by a notification in the Ceylon Government Gazette under the hand of the Governor dated 12th June, 1937, under which the Dutch Burger Union Board, consisting of the President, the Secretary and the Treasurer for the time being, and their successors, was created a body corporate with perpetual succession. The Union is now competent to hold both movable and immovable property and to sue and be sued in any Court of Law.

9. **Minor Employees Provident Fund.** Steps have been taken to improve the prospects of the minor employees of the Union. A Sub-Committee consisting of Dr. V. R. Schokman, Mr. C. A. Speldewinde and Mr. G. E. W. Jansz was appointed to prepare a Provident Fund Scheme on a contributory basis, and their proposals have been accepted, the scheme coming into operation with effect from 1st January, 1938. Owing to his age and long service the Butler's case had to be treated on a different footing. It was decided to set aside a sum of Rs. 10/- a month towards a gratuity to be paid to him on cessation of service.

10. **Speldewinde Trust Fund.** The conditions of this Trust which were set out in the last Annual Report, have been adhered to. The fees of the student at the Training College who is being assisted were met from the income of the Fund.

11. **Loos Legacy.** The full amount of Rs. 5000/- is lying in the Ceylon Savings Bank and a sum of Rs. 228/99 has accrued as interest. It is the desire of the Committee to invest the capital sum on the mortgage of Colombo property but no suitable offer has been received.

Dr. De Hoedt Medical Scholarship Fund. This Fund is maintaining two students in the Medical College and the fees paid in 1937 amounted to Rs. 1,170/-. A sum of Rs. 15,000 has been lent out on interest: Rs. 10,000 @ 9% on the primary mortgage of a property in the Pettah. This has been running since March 1925. Interest on this bond is now due from July 15th 1936 and the Trustees have instructed their Lawyers to demand all interest due

or recall the loan. These arrears of interest have been going on for several years and during 1937 one year's interest was paid. A further Rs. 5,000 was lent @ 6% on a Wellawatte property (primary mortgage); the interest on this loan has been paid up to 31st January 1938. Besides these two sums lent out, the Trust has a sum of Rs. 906/67 cash in Bank.

Very satisfactory reports were received from the Registrar of the Medical College on the progress made by the two students.

12. **Beling Memorial Fund.** The total amount to the credit of this Fund, including interest earned, is Rs. 286/04. This sum is lying in deposit in the Ceylon Savings Bank.

13. **Union Proprietorship.** The Union is the owner of 67 Building Company shares, (out of a total of 458 shares) of which 38 were donated by members and 29 purchased from monies lying to the credit of the Social Service Fund. The Company declared a dividend of 3% for 1937, and the amount was credited proportionately to Union account and the Social Service Fund.

14. **Debentures.** A sum of Rs. 1,225/- was obtained by the Club in 1923 by the issue of Debentures for the purpose of repaying an over-draft on the Bank. When the Club was amalgamated with the Union this liability was taken over. In July 1934 it was decided to inquire from debenture holders whether they were willing to donate to the Union the amounts due to them. Twenty-six members agreed to do so, and the outstanding liability was reduced to Rs. 575/- on 31st December 1935. During the course of the year under review a further letter was addressed to those who had not replied. Seven members surrendered their claims and 10 debenture holders were paid off, leaving Rs. 150/- outstanding. It is hoped finally to close this account within the next six months.

15. **Coronation Celebrations.** The Union took its due share in the celebrations connected with the King's Coronation on 12th May. On behalf of the Union a loyal address was presented by the President and Secretary to H.E. the Governor at Queen's House for transmission to His Majesty. In the evening a children's party was held in the Union Hall and at night a Dance and Supper. The Union building was illuminated and presented a pretty sight. The Union duly received an acknowledgement of the address from His Majesty through the local Government.

16. **St. Nicholas Fete.** This festival was celebrated on Saturday, the 4th December, with more than ordinary success. An exceptionally large gathering of children assembled with their parents and there was a record gathering of adult members. Sports and other amusements were provided during the evening. Refreshments were lavishly served, and at dusk on the arrival of St. Nicholas, personated by Mr. A. C. Meier, toys were distributed to the children. Dancing followed and terminated a very pleasant function, pronounced by one and all as one of the best. Our thanks are due to those who contributed towards the cost of the entertainment, and to the sub-committee who spared no pains to make the function the success it was.

17. **Red Cross Classes.** In connection with the activities of the Social Service Committee, classes were organised in first aid under the rules of the Red Cross Society. Dr. C. A. VanRooyen has kindly taken charge of the classes, which meet regularly. It is hoped that larger numbers than at present will avail themselves of the benefits offered by these classes.

18. **Dutch Scouts.** A party of Dutch Scouts on their way to Holland from the Dutch East Indies arrived in Colombo on 23rd June. A Sub-Committee consisting of Dr. A. Nell, Dr. E. W. Arndt, and Mr. D. V. Altendorff was appointed to show them some of the places of interest in Colombo. Among other places they were taken to the Wolvendaal Church and spent some time in the Union Hall before returning on board. A letter of appreciation of the kindness shewn to the Scouts was received from the authorities concerned.

19. **Honours.** Mr. Frank Loos was, on his retirement from the Public Service after a meritorious career, appointed a Justice of the Peace for the Western Province, while the following members of the Union were awarded the King George VI. Coronation Medal:—Mr. P. E. Aldons, Major V. H. L. Anthonisz, Dr. E. W. Arndt, Mr. A. E. Christoffelsz, Mr. H. K. de Kretser, Hon. Mr. O. L. de Kretser, Mr. C. E. de Vos, Mr. N. E. Ernst, Mr. G. O. Grenier, Mr. J. V. H. W. Hatch, Mr. Gordon Jansz, Mr. E. G. Jonklaas, Mr. E. F. Kellar, Mr. K. E. Kellar, Hon. Mr. A. E. Keuneman, Dr. H. U. Leembruggen, Hon. Mr. L. M. Maartensz, Mr. R. S. V. Poulier, Lady Schneider, Mr. C. C. Schokman, Mrs. C. C. Schokman,

Mr. J. R. Toussaint and Dr. R. W. Willenberg. In this connection mention must also be made of the election of Dr. V. R. Schokman as Mayor of Colombo, an honour as unique as it was well-merited.

20. **The Journal and Bulletin.** These two publications continued to be issued regularly. In February 1937, Mr. Wace de Niese resigned the Editorship of the Bulletin and his place was taken by Mr. J. R. Toussaint. Once again attention has to be drawn to the poor support accorded to the Journal. We should have at least 200 subscribers. As a matter of fact, we have not even half this number. A feature of the Journal was the publication of genealogies, thanks to the industry and research of Mr. D. V. Altendorff.

21. **The Young Dutch Burgher Comrades.** This body continues to be a useful auxiliary of the Union. A noteworthy event was the celebration of their 11th anniversary by a dinner in the Union Hall, while boxing has been added to their other activities. Their most recent achievement was the issue of a brightly written Magazine bearing their motto "Help Mekaar".

22. **Tennis Section.** The principal event of the year was the opening of the new Pavilion by Mrs. R. L. Spittel on 13th August. The Finals of the Mens' and Ladies' Singles in the Annual Tournament took place on the same day. The Tennis Club were "At Home" to their friends in the Union Hall, where the prizes were distributed by Mrs. Spittel.

23. **Furniture and Equipment.** Through the generosity of the President, the Union has been able to instal a second Billiard table. The amount required, viz., Rs. 1,650/- was advanced by Dr. Spittel and is being liquidated by monthly payments. A balance of Rs. 1,009/28 is now outstanding. Great inconvenience used to be caused by the absence of a telephone. This deficiency has now been supplied, while a Refrigerator and a Radiogram purchased for Rs. 443/20 and Rs. 225/- respectively, have added greatly to the amenities of the Club. The cost of these three items was met by generous contributions from members to the extent of Rs. 446/-, the balance being made up from profits on Social Evenings.

24. **30th Anniversary of the Union.** This event was celebrated by a Dinner in the Union Hall on 10th February 1938. Dr. R. L. Spittel presided and His Excellency the Governor and Lady Caldecott were among the distinguished guests present. His Excellency proposed the toast of the Union to which Dr. Andreas Nell replied in a happy speech. The arrangements were very satisfactory and the dinner was voted a great success.

Finance. There has been a marked improvement in the Financial position of the Union as will be seen from the following comparative figures which will speak for themselves:—

INCOME.	1936		1937	
	Rs.	cts.	Rs.	cts.
Subscriptions collected	... 4,676	50	... 4,899	50
Bar Profits	... 2,325	42	... 4688	80
Sundry Income	... 155	64	... 166	77
Excess of income over expenditure	... 607	44	... 2,642	19

SAM DE VOS,
Hony. Secretary.

THE DUTCH BURGHER UNION SOCIAL SERVICE FUND

Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended the 31st December, 1937

RECEIPTS	Rs. cts.	PAYMENTS	Rs. cts.
To Balance at Credit of Fund at Dutch Burgher Union at beginning ...	220 51	By Sundry Disbursements ...	2,121 72
„ Sundry Receipts ...	2,039 86	„ Collector's Commission on Contributions collected ...	66 57
„ Contribution from Union Funds ...	75 00	„ Salary ...	7 50
		„ Balance at credit of Fund at Dutch Burgher Union on 31st December, 1937 ...	139 58
Total Rs.	2,335 37	Total Rs.	2,335 37

Certified as correct subject to my report of this date

LAWRIE MUTHU KRISHNA,
Public Auditor.

GORDON E. W. JANSZ,
Hony. Treasurer.

THE DUTCH BURGHER UNION OF CEYLON

Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended the 31st December, 1937.

EXPENDITURE		INCOME	
	Rs. cts.		Rs. cts.
To Rent ...	1,650 00	By Subscriptions	4,755 50

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<p>ST. NICHOLAS FELLOWSHIP</p> <p>SURPLUS A/C:</p> <p>Balance as per last Balance Sheet ... 3,484 75</p> <p>Add Value of Debentures</p> <p> Donated ... 175 00</p> <p> Furniture ... 613 20</p> <p> Excess of Income over Expenditure ... 2,642 51</p> <hr/> <p>6,915 46</p>	<p>DUCK ACCOUNT:</p> <p>Wines, Spirits, Etc. ... 444 22</p> <p>9 Volumes, "The Dutch in Ceylon" ... 44 50</p> <hr/> <p>488 72</p>	<p>PIANO:</p> <p>As per last Balance Sheet ... 495 00</p> <p>Less Depreciation @ 10% p. a. ... 49 50</p> <hr/> <p>445 50</p>
<p>FURNITURE AND FIXTURES:</p> <p>As per last Balance Sheet ... 1,430 72</p> <p>Less Depreciation @ 10% p. a. ... 143 07</p> <hr/> <p>1,287 65</p>	<p>Additions during the year:</p> <p>Billiard Table 1,650 00</p> <p> Radiogram 225 00</p> <p> Refrigerator 443 20</p> <p> Chairs 20 00</p> <p> Table 5 00</p> <hr/> <p>2,843 20</p>	<p>16,249 66</p> <hr/> <p>16,249 66</p>

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I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing Balance Sheet has been properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of affairs of the Dutch Burgher Union of Ceylon according to the books of accounts and the information and explanations given me, and subject to my Report of this date.

LAWRIE MUTHU KRISHNA,
Public Auditor.

28th February, 1938.

GORDON E. W. JANSZ,
Honorary Treasurer.

NEWS AND NOTES

The Late Mr E. H. Vanderwall: Elsewhere we publish a sketch of the life of Mr. Vanderwall, written by one who knew him intimately and who appreciated his outstanding qualities. We, ourselves, have already, in the pages of the *Bulletin*, expressed our deep sense of the loss caused to the Community by Mr. Vanderwall's death. Of the great work which he did in the Education Department only those with whom he was associated are competent to speak, and of these, the one who was the Head of the Department when Mr. Vanderwall belonged to it must take the first place. We have therefore the melancholy pleasure of reproducing the following letter written by Mr. L. Macrae to a friend in Colombo:—

"My Dear—

"It is with deep regret that I heard from you of the death of my late friend and colleague Mr. E. H. Vanderwall. My memory of him is very fresh. I found his sane judgment and high idealism a great support during the time we served together in Ceylon.

"Mr. Vander Wall was an outstanding character in the Educational history of Ceylon. In a sense he belonged to two phases of its development. He partook of the glamour of the Denham regime and kept his head. He always retained the sense of dignity and importance which attached to school visits. An annual inspection was for him as great an event as it was for the school. But behind that official dignity which he so well illustrated he had a kindly heart.

"He knew the shortcomings of teachers and managers but excused them rather than condemned them. His attitude often was 'Forgive them for they know not what they do'.

"His human qualities however did not prevent him from endeavouring to put right what he saw was wrong, and he managed in some indefinable way to transmit his own high ideals and enthusiasm to those with whom he worked.

"There was nothing mean or small about him. Everything he did was invested with the importance which the occasion demanded. For he was full of that 'high seriousness' which was a characteristic of the most outstanding people of the generation which is now passing.

"In a later regime he showed equally great qualities of heart and mind. He had a very high sense of justice, and on the many occasions when he had to enquire into and settle difficult problems, this sense of justice lifted him above the details and trivialities of the problems he was considering.

"His long experience made him a very sound judge of men, and on numerous occasions I found his advice of great value. Loyalty to his Department and his work was also an outstanding quality, but his was no blind loyalty. It arose out of a sense that the work he was employed in was of supreme importance to the future of Ceylon. Many changes occurred in his later days in the Department, but he never judged those changes—as so many did—by their immediate effect. He viewed them in the perspective of their ultimate effect on Ceylon Education.

"More than any other he believed intensely in the individual teacher, and everything which improved his lot, or which gave him a greater interest or enthusiasm in his work was backed by Mr. Vander Wall.

"He had a very large circle of friends and few enemies, because his criticism never bore malice, while his words of encouragement were a source of inspiration.

"In a real sense his life will live on in Ceylon, as all those who were touched by the inspiration of his personality, who imbibed something of his idealism, and who felt his intense sympathy for the Ceylon teacher, will carry on that high tradition of educational service, which in spite of carping criticism, and petty conflicts, does more than any other service for the future well-being of Ceylon.

Yours Sincerely,
L MACRAE,"

Ourselves:—With this issue of the *Journal* we complete another volume, and the issue for July 1938 will begin volume No. XXVIII. While we are grateful for the support which has made it possible for the *Journal* to run an almost uninterrupted course of thirty years, we feel that we are not receiving all the support we ought to get. For one thing, the number of subscribers to the *Journal* is entirely out of proportion to the total membership. We should like to see not only more subscribers but more members shewing a practical interest in the *Journal* by sending us contributions. When issue after issue is filled with articles written by the same persons, the *Journal* naturally tends to become stereotyped. We trust these remarks will receive serious consideration, and that we shall soon have not only an accession of new subscribers but also of new contributors who will bring a fresh mind to bear on subjects of interest to our Community.

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