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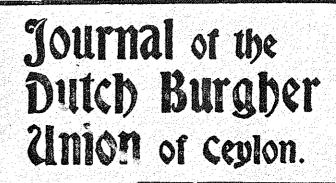
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"LETTERS ON CEYLON"

BY CAPTAIN L. DE BUSSCHE

In 1817 there appeared a publication bearing the title "Letters on Ceylon; particularly relative to the Kandyan Kingdom," by Captain L. de Bussche, of the 1st Ceylon Regiment, Captain de Bussche was an officer attached to the staff of Sir Robert Brownriag. who was both Governor of Ceylon and Commander of the Forces. De Bussche, who seems to have been of foreign descent, as he says in his Preface that he has "written in a language which is not his own", resided in Ceylon for several years, and like the military men of the early days, was of a literary turn of mind. He accompanied the Governor on his expedition to Kandy in 1815, and his account of the operations, as well as of the early history and administration of the island, possesses features of special value. De Bussche appears to have maintained a long correspondence with a friend abroad during his stay in the island, but only four of his letters have been published, dated respectively 19th June, 1815, 7th July, 1816, 24th July 1816, and 3rd March, 1817. The book is now rare, and it is hoped that the re-publication of the letters (without the appendices) will bring the work to the notice of a wider circle of readers. The old spelling of names has been retained-Ed.

Letter I

Colombo, Island of Ceylon, 19th June, 1815.

Dear Sir,

More than eight months have elapsed since my last letter was written; and although I am well aware that the public prints must, long before this, have informed you, generally, of our military operations in this Island, yet our success has been so complete, and its results so important, that I cannot deny myself the pleasure of giving you a more ample detail of our short, but effective campaign. The conquest of an extensive, rich and beautiful country; its annexation to the

British Crown; and the downfall of one of the most savage and wanton tyrants that providence ever permitted, for a time, to scourge the human race, have been achieved in forty days, without the loss, on our side, of a single man.

"A victory is twice itself, when the achiever

"Brings home full numbers."

SHAKESPEARE.

The cruel career of Vikrimi Rajah Singha (for such is the name of the deposed King of Kandy) is at an end, and his perfidious and inhuman conduct towards the sickly and enfeebled garrison at Kandy in 1803, in breach of a solemn treaty, at length amply avenged. The country, which he held by usurpation, and which groaned under his misrule, hails its deliverers. It is ours, both by the dominion of arms and the ascendancy of opinion, and the tyrant himself is a prisoner in his fort.

My last letter told you, that a small corps of observation was formed in November last, under the command of Major Hook, second Ceylon regiment; it was shortly afterwards ordered to Hangwell, a small fort in our old territory, and thence to Avisahwelle, a villige on our frontier, about thirty miles from Colombo.

Other corps, from different points, as I shall state hereafter, were ordered to be held in readiness for service.

The preparations were imperiously called for by the outrageous and barbarous conduct of the King of Kandy towards some of our unoffending subjects, who had passed the frontier for the purposes of trade, as they had been accustomed to do, under the implied sanction of his government, and at a time when no misunderstanding with our own had been avowed, and when no provocation had been given or meditated The necessity of those preparations became more pressing, from the increasing disaffection of his own subjects, alienated by his oppression, and looking towards us as their only source of relief. Amongst the many and flagrant instances of cruelty and injustice which this monster was daily guilty of. I will only mention three of the most prominent. Pelame Talawa, the first Adikar (or Minister), by whose assistance the tyrant had usurped the throne, and who at all times had served him faithfully, was, in the year 1809, on some frivolous pretence, treacherously murdered. To him succeeded Eheylepola as Adikar, whose influence for a while was considered unbounded. He, however, in the course of last year, fell under the displeasure of his master, and was ordered to court, to answer a complaint urged against him in his absence. Well-knowing what the consequence of such a summons would be, whether guilty or innocent, he retired into the province of Saffragam, of which he was also Dessave or chief. There he assembled his friends, with a view to resistance, but being defeated he fled into the British territory for protection. Had he fallen into the hands of his offended sovereign, his rebellion might have justified the utmost severity: but who can read, without shuddering with horror, of the revenge which was inflicted by this monster on the Adigar's guiltless family, who, according to the custom of the Court of Kandy, had been detained at the -capital as hostages for his fidelity!

The wife of Eheylepola, and his four children were butchered in the presence of the King, with every refinement of cool-blooded cruelty. The infants were decapitated in the presence of their agonized mother, who was then forced to pound their bleeding heads in a mortar. After this, her own throat was cut, and the body, with the remains of her children, cast into the lower tank of Kandy.

The third instance almost equals in atrocity the last, and is what I have just noticed as the operative cause of our preparations for war; which by this act became unavoidable, with any regard to national honour and the protection due to those under our allegiance. Tennative merchants, our subjects, regular traders in cotton cloths, etc., passed the limits of the Kandian Territories, about twelve months ago (July 1814), as they had been allowed to do for the last ten years, when on a sudden they were seized, accused of being spies, and without any trial, in the presence of the King, mutilated in the most horrid manner. Their noses were first cut off, and then an arm and an ear of each. Seven of these unfortunate sufferers died under the operation, or in consequence of it: three alone survived to reach our frontier, and announce the fate of their companions and themselves.

These and other such acts of ferocious despotism produced applications to our government for protection and assistance, from many quarters; not only from our own subjects, but also from numerous bodies of Kandians. Discontent and disturbances prevailed in all the Kandian provinces, which induced our Governor to order Major Hook's Corps to that frontier, in the neighbourhood of which the King of Kandy's troops, and the insurgents under Eheylepola, were principally assembled.

The necessity of a war gained every day strength, and it became more urgent to make preparations for offensive operations. Our means were, comparatively speaking, few, not only in the number of disposable troops, but also for the conveyance of ammunition and provisions. To increase the former, an application had been made to the government of Madras for about two thousand five hundred men, which were readily promised, and actually put in motion to join us; and in furtherance of the letter, the civil officers of government, in particular the collectors of districts (as more nearly connected with our field operations) assembled, by incessant labour, the necessary number of camp followers and bullocks for the transport of ammunition, camp equipage and provisions, and thus enabled the different corps to take the field. I need not say, that every officer and soldier hailed with satisfaction the order which was now issued to prepare for field service. There were indeed not wanting persons who, from past experience, and reverting to former misfortunes, were adverse to the expedition; but I must render justice to every one in Cevlon by saying, that whatever their private opinions might be, as to the impolicy or danger of the measure, it had no effect:

^{*}The order was not issued till the 21st November 1814, months after the outrage committed on our subjects; so that full time was given to the tyrant of Kandy to have explained this act, had it admitted of explanation, or had he been disposed to give it.

in diminishing their exertions to forward the views of our excellent General. A personal experience of nearly four years had taught them that, to carry into effect the orders of such a man as General Brownrigg, could only tend to promote public welfare.

His Excellency set a noble example to us all. He had undertaken an expedition, in which so many had failed. The disasters which had attended the campaign of 1803, which were known and felt by every one, must have pressed with peculiar weight on the mind of him, with whom the whole responsibility of the measure rested; but an imperious call of duty obliged him to enter on this war. His Majesty's subjects had been mutilated or murdered by the tyrant of Kandy, during a time of profound peace, and several entire provinces of that unfortunate country had implored the protection of our arms, and made a valuntary offer of allegiance to Great Britain, to free them from the miseries by which they were surrounded. The orders which His Excellency gave to prepare the troops for field service, evinced all that paternal care and foresight which so much distinguished his measures, and were calculated to insure comfort and health to officers and men.

The General superintended, by almost daily inspection, the outfit of the several corps from Colombo; not even a most painful illness, which would have kept most other men in their beds prevented his attendance on his numerous and increasing duties. He was one of the first who took the field, and latterly his head-quarters were fixed with the second division, not surrounded by the luxuries of an Asiatic Camp, but participating in the passing wants of the officers serving under him. Such conduct on his part was calculated to, and did, animate them, neither to think on the dangers of the war, nor on those of the climate; but to be always ready to make every effort to forward the plans of their General, to whom they were attached by that feeling which is not transitory, a love founded on respect.

Forewarned, then, as we were, that few of us would return from this service, we all, emulating the example of our General, cheerfully prepared for it; and if you will consider that scarce any of our officers or men had seen actual service, you will give them the more credit for their promptitude in taking the field.

Where every officer did his duty so well, I should feel a reluctance to discriminate any, if I were not assured that all will at least approve of my selecting three names, as entitled to peculiar notice. In a country like Kandy, with no better road than a bridle path, and that frequently leading over difficult passes and high mountains; where all military stores and provisions must necessarily be transported by men, one of the great difficulties of carrying on war is the danger of starving; it requires, therefore, more than ordinary attention and exertion in the commissariat to obviate so serious an evil. This was well guarded against by Colonel Kerr, the Officer at the head of that department in our old provinces, and subsequently by Major Hardy, Military Secretary to His Excellency the Governor in the newly acquired provinces. To their exertions in preparing, collecting and forwarding the supplies of all kinds for the different corps and garrisons, is owing that the

troops were constantly well supplied with abundance of wholesome food, whereby one of the principal causes of the miseries which befell our army in 1803 was obviated. By Major Willerman, the Deputy Quartermaster-General here, whose indefatigable enquiries and observations enabled him to gain a correct knowledge of the enemy's country, the different divisions were supplied with excellent charts, and the most distinct information respecting the strength of the passes leading into the interior, till then considered as impregnable; such as the Balany and Idalgalsinia Pass. To his exertions every possible praise is due. With great justice, General Brownrigg placed the utmost confidence in the experience of this scientific officer, in whose extended mind and powers of combination resources were found for most of our wants, and I can assure you they were numerous.

The plan for attacking Kandy was arranged on the supposition that about two thousand five hundred effective men would arrive from the Coast, and the strength of the different divisions was prepared accordingly.

Two divisions from Colombo, consisting of about six hundred men each; two divisions from Galle and Matara, of about five hundred men each; two divisions from Trincomalee, of about four hundred men each; and a Detachment from Batticaloa of about two hundred men, were the corps to be furnished by the army in Ceylon. The troops from the Coast were to march in two divisions from Puttalam and Negombo, each of six hundred men, leaving the rest of their force as a reserve in Garrisons on the west Coast of Ceylon, from Colombo to Jaffnapatam. The different routes were to bring them at a given period to the neighbourhood of Kandy, leaving a sufficient detached force in their rear to establish posts for a secure communication with their resources, to open roads, &c.

These orders were issued, and all arrangements made nearly to this effect, when unexpectedly, in the beginning of January, an express arrived from the Madras Government, informing General Brownrigg, that the promised force could not be spared, and was countermanded. I must refrain from making any observations on this unexpected proceeding, and leave it for better judges to divine how far the absence of two thousand five hundred men could at that time have interfered with any political arrangement of the Honorable Company in India. As affairs have turned out, it matters not; but at the time it was a circumstance calculated to create difficulty and despondence, and it was only by one who possessed strong resources within himself that it could be treated as a matter of indifference. By a singular coincidence of circumstances it so happened that on the same day this news arrived, 11th January, 1815. (and it came by a sea conveyance after a very short passage) the King of Kandy's Troops passed our frontiers, and committed many and serious depredations on our subjects. This obliged His Excellency the Governor to issue a declaration of war-

The absence of the auxiliary force from Madras occasioned some change in the formation of the different divisions, as it was necessary

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to make a new arrangement to supply the place of two divisions of Madras troops, which were intended to have marched from Puttalam to Negombo.

The disposable force was ultimately divided as follows:—

First Division, or advance from Colombo, four hundred and thirty men, commanded by Major Hook, second Cevlon regiment.

Second Division, or reserve from Colombo seven hundred and eighty men, commanded by Lieutenant-Colonel O'Connell, seventythird regiment; his advance by Major Moffatt, first Ceylon regiment.

Third Division, or advance from Galle, four hundred and two men. commanded by Major Kelly, fourth Ceylon regiment.

Fourth Division, or reserve from Galle and Hambantota, six hundred and forty-two men, commanded by Colonel Alexander Macgregor Murray, fourth Ceylon regiment; his advance by Major M'Donald nineteenth regiment.

Fifth Division, or advance from Trincomalee, four hundred and forty-five men, commanded by Major Mackay, third Ceylon regiment.

Sixth Division, or reserve from Trincomalee, five hundred men, commanded by Major General Jackson, and under him by Colonel Rainsford, nineteenth regiment.

Seventh Division, from Batticaloa, two hundred and five men. commanded by Captain Anderson, nineteenth regiment.

Eighth Division, from Negombo, two hundred and twenty men, commanded by Captain De Bussche, Aid-De-Camp and Lieutenant General Brownrigg, to which were added a free corps of Malays, raised by that officer, which augmented this force to three hundred and forty men.

Immediately following the declaration, the corps of Major Hook engaged the enemy and drove him, after a slight resistance, from the post at Ruanwelle, situated at the river Kalani-ganga; here a post was immediately established, and a situation traced out by Major Willerman for the building of a fort, as the possession of this place insured to us a safe and commodious conveyance of all our provisions from Colombo. by boats on the Kalani-ganga, for a distance of forty-two miles, towards Kandy. The rapidity of the river also enabled us, in case of need, to send our sick men in nine hours to Colombo. Large magazines of all kinds were here formed, which retarded the advance of the first division for some days, and enabled the other divisions, which were more distant, to arrive near their points of debouchement.

On the 29th of January this division passed the Maha Oya; it required only a few shots to drive the enemy from a battery near that river. On the same day a party of riflemen under the command of Lieutenant Mylius, first Ceylon regiment, composing the advanced guard of the eighth division, had an engagement with the Kandyans, who were defeated, with the loss of six men killed, several wounded and made prisoners; some arms, and a large store of paddy (rice in the husk) were captured at the King's garden, called Nahagederah Attua, near Wissenave.

On the 31st of January, two small detachments, under the command of Captain Parker, and Lieutenant Reed, second Ceylon regiment, of the first division, surprised a Kandian post; thirty of the enemy were put to the bayonet, and three prisoners and twenty stands of arms brought in: the latter had evidently belonged to the unfortunate soldiers of the nineteenth regiment, who were massacred in and near Kandy, in 1803.

On the 2nd of February the difficult pass on the Balany mountain was taken by Major Moffatt, commanding the advance of the second division. On the 3rd February Major Hook took possession of the Kandian forts of Giriahgamme and Galderah (which had also been taken in 1803). On the same day the eighth division took post at Cornegall, after some slight skirmishes, in which Lieutenants Kellett, second Ceylon regiment, and Mainwaring, first Ceylon regiment, took some prisoners and arms.

The first, second, and eighth divisions, arrived on the left bank of the river Mahavilla-ganga, on the 10th and 11th of February, at a distance of from two to three miles from Kandy; on the 11th of February the King left his capital, and retired to the Province of Dumbera, on the only road he conceived safe. Major Kelly (third division) had by this time, after a most difficult march, arrived at Hangeramketty, a palace to which, in former times, the Kings had retired when Kandy was occupied by an enemy; Colonel Macgregor Murray (fourth division) was at Badulla, and Major Mackay (fifth division) was near Panama, formerly Fort Macdowal. The seventh edivision was on its way to Bintenne, and the sixth division nearly about to leave Trincomalee.

From this short sketch of our movements and operations you will observe, that the first, second and eighth were the only divisions which saw an enemy. The few skirmishes we had can hardly be called fighting, and the cowardly conduct of our opponents can only be surpassed by their ignorance in defending a country where almost every step might be disputed, by a handful of men of common resolution, with advantage, against any number. Their batteries are a kind of breastwork, made of three rows of posts driven, at irregular distances into the ground, the space between them being filled up with rubbish, wood, stones, earth, sods, or anything which is at hand; from behind these defences they saluted us by a volley of small arms and gingals (small swivel guns made in the country) levelled so high that the balls passed over our heads from twenty to forty feet, and struck the trees. Although the other divisions had not the amusement of chasing such an enemy, they had by far the greater difficulties to overcome. Their divisions were prepared for service in districts less abundant in means of conveyance for ammunition and provisions; the distances of their marches to Kandy were nearly double and triple to what the first, second, and eighth divisions had to perform; but the persevering spirit, and the great exertions of the commanding officers, in which they were well assisted by every officer and man under their command, surmounted all difficulties.

On the 13th of February the advance of our troops, led by Major Brownrigg, the Deputy Adjutant-General, took possession of the great Kandian battery near Gonoroah, and then entered the capital. At the former place they were shocked to find thirteen Kandyans who had been empaled alive, by order of the tyrant; their sufferings were at an end, but they must have been great from the very distorted appearance of their muscles; a more horrid sight was probably never seen. And what were the crimes of these unfortunate men, you will ask?—They had brought intelligence to the King of the march of our several columns, and the defeat and constant flight of his own men.

On the 14th of February, His Excellency Lieutenant-General Brownrigg established his head-quarters in the King's palace of Kandy, and the first, second, and eighth divisions were quartered in the town, leaving strong detachments at the ferries of Gonaroah, Katugastotte, Waterpolaga and towards Kundusale. It was ascertained that the King had fled, with about two hundred Malabar soldiers and followers towards Tildenia, in the Dumbera Province. On the 15th, a detachment was formed under Lieutenant Mylius, composed of some artillery men, with a light mountain gun, the rifle company, first Ceylon regiment, and fifty men of the Malay free corps, to follow the King.

On the 16th of February, they had an engagement with a party of fifty of the King's Malabar soldiers, commanded by Mootoo Saumee, his cousin, and several other relations. They were posted on a steep rock, but Lieutenant Mainwaring attacked them with only twenty riflemen, and without firing a shot, rushed amongst them, killed and wounded several, and took seventeen prisoners.—Mootoo Saumee, and four other relations of the King, were of that number, the former refusing to surrender till he had received five wounds. This man is accused as being one of the most cruel advisers of the King; his appearance is that of a ruffian. He is perfectly recovered from his slight wounds, and a prisoner here.

On the 18th of February in the evening, the King of Kandy was taken prisoner; I copy the General Order which was issued on that occasion, and which gives the best account of his capture.

General Orders.

Headquarters, Kandy, 20th February, 1815.

The Commander of the Forces has the satisfaction and pleasure to announce to the army he has the honour to command, that the King of Kandy is in our hands; which important circumstance took place on the evening of the 18th instant, near Meyda Maha Nuwera, in the Dumbara Province, and was effected by the people of that province, in conjunction with some armed Kandyans sent by Eheylapola Adikar: a detachment of the first Ceylon under the command of Lieutenant Mylius, being in the vicinity of that place in support.

This material object being accomplished, the Lieutenant-General sincerely congratulated the troops on the successful result of their labours. It is to the zeal and ardeur displayed by every officer and soldier, of every class and description, that under Providence is to be imputed the speedy and happy issue of the campaign, terminated at the end of forty days, from the time of the first division, entering the Kandyan territory.

The most formidable obstacles which the nature of this extraordinary mountainous country presents, have been overcome with a spirit of cheerfulness and perseverance which has never been surpassed; and had the opposition, which a people attached to their Sovereign, and inhabiting a country more easy to be defended than perhaps any other in the world, been shown. Lieutenant-General Brownrigg persuades himself, the troops he has the happiness to command would have acquired honour in every rencontre, and would have signalized themselves as much for their bravery, as their regular, soldier-like, good conduct has been exemplary from the day of their entering the Kandyan territory. But the tyrant King, by his oppression, destroyed the attachment and affections of his subjects, who in consequence deserted him, and have generally welcomed the British troops as their deliverers. The few Malabar and other adherents of the King, whenever they have made a shew of resistance have been put to flight, and the greater part are now prisoners of war. Thus the conquest of the kingdom of Kandy has been obtained, and the British army, who have had the good fortune to contribute to it, will be entitled to the thanks of their Sovereign and the British Nation, for the acquisition of a possession, which, in richness and value of its productions, the importance of its geographical position as relating to British India, and natural beauty, will vie with any of the colonies belonging to the Crown of Great Britain.

The Commander of the Forces cannot conclude his Orders on this subject, without gratifying his best feelings, by expressing his entire approbation of all that has been done; and requests that Major-General Jackson, the officers in command of divisions, the heads of departments, and his personal staff, will accept his warmest acknowledgements for the able and effectual assistance they have in their several capacities offered him, in preparing the troops for service, and conducting them under circumstances which have been attended by difficulties of no small degree. The Lieutenant-General is bound to them and all the officers and soldiers of his little army in gratitude, which is deeply impressed in his mind, and their prosperity will be to him an object of sincere interest during the remainder of his life.

All prisoners who may not be under sentence of a general or a regimental general court martial, to be released on the receipt of this order at the several stations, on the occasion of this success of His Majesty's Arms.

By the Lieutenant-General's Command, (Signed) Rob. F. Brownrigg, Dep. Adi.-Gen.

The third and fifth divisions of the army now entered Kandy, and Major Mackay, third Ceylon regiment, was appointed commandant of that town, and of the troops ordered to remain in the new conquered provinces; these troops amount to about sixteen hundred men, including pioneers, and were distributed as follows:—Kandy 752 men, Badulla 348, Amerapoora 176, Atjale 56, Madawalatane 40, Cornegalle 36, Nalande 31, Hettimoelle and Attapittia 38, Idamalpane 27, Ruanwelle 63, Batugederah 56, Total 1,623 men.

On the 26th of February, orders were issued to the troops not included in the above number, to return to their former garrisons.

On the second of March all the troops in and near Kandy assembled, in review order, in the great square before the palace, to celebrate the accession of the Kandyan Provinces to his Majesty's Crown; an accession, not the result of conquest alone, but acquired in concurrence with the unanimous wish of the whole country, expressed and ratified on that day by a solemn convention, concluded between His Excellency Lieutenant General Brownrigg, Governor of Ceylon, and all the headmen and priests of the Kandian provinces,

When we took possession of Kandy, not a human being was to be seen in that large city. Not a week had elapsed when many houses were occupied by their owners, and before the second half of March all the numerous streets of Kandy were filled with people, who came from distant provinces, to witness the ceremonies of that day. Early in the morning, the spacious courts of the palace began to fill with headmen, called Mohattales, Corales, Vidahnes; generally speaking, men advanced in years, of good end intelligent appearance, with long black or grey beards. Many of them had never seen an European face: none, or very few, any of our military; their astonishment was great when at the usual hour the daily guards were relieved. It was a fine clear day, and by the brightness of the arms, the musick, the correct and uniform movements of the troops, their curiosity was alternately gratified. At four o'clock our friend Eheylepola, with the first and second Adikar, and all the Dessaves, arrived with numerous retinues at the palace. The two Adikars were preceded, like the Roman consuls, by lictors who instead of fasces were armed with immense whips made of hemp which they constantly cracked with great noise, and which served as a warning for all the people to clear the way for them; this noise continued till they had entered the great audience hall, in which the convention was finally settled and signed by all parties, under the firing of a royal salute from the field guns drawn up in the great square

The contrast between the reception which the transfer of the crown of Kandy to the King of Great Britain, accomplished by our arms, met with from the Kandians, with that which was given to the change of sovereignty attempted by the same means in 1803, is too striking not to be noticed. In the former case, although the King, whose pretensions we supported, was of their own religion and country, allied to their legitimate monarchs, and substituted for the same usurper we have successfully deposed, they rejected his claim. It was in vain that

we placed him upon the throne of his ancestors, and surrounded it with our troops, not one chief, not a single Kandian entered the town, or gave any intimation of assent or obedience. He reigned a sovereign with subjects, in a deserted capital, till the force which had upheld him, enfeebled by sickness and betrayed by perfidy, became alike incompetent to his protection or their own defence. I hope that I shall not be understood by this observation to throw any reflection upon the measures of our Government at that unfortunate period. The rejection of Mootoo Saumee, and the sinister events which followed, were such as no political foresight could have anticipated. I have merely brought forward the comparison to shew how completely the late King had alienated the attachment of his subjects. At that period, he was a young man, the creature of the first Adikar, who ruled in his name. His character had not developed itself by those acts of sanguinary tyranny, which at length converted an entire and once loval nation into a mass of foes.

I cannot omit mentioning here, the manner in which the High Priest of Buddha, of the great temple called Maha Wehare, was ushered in and accompanied to the audience of the Governor. About nine o'clock in the evening the Adikars and Dessaves requested leave to go to the great temple to meet the High Priest, and conduct him to the appointed meeting. Near 10 o'clock* the noise of numerous tom-toms (drums of the natives in India) some fifes trumpets, and large whips announced the approach of this interesting personage, whose influence over the opinions of the Kandians was well-known to us. The spacious courts on both sides of the great audience hall were perfectly lighted up by near a thousand torches, the bearers of which preceded and followed him. The High Priest and his suit arrived under the great portico, on the north side of the hall, which rests on twenty superb pillars, where they were received by John D'Oyly and James Sutherland Esgrs., both of the Civil Service. The former gentleman was the government interpreter of the Sinhalese (Kandian) language, but is at present our resident in Kandy: the latter was Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor. and is now Secretary for the Kandian provinces. By these gentlemen the High Priest was conducted to the upper end of the hall, where General Brownrigg stood, surrounded by his general and personal staff, and a great number of officers belonging to the divisions of the army then at Kandy.

The High Priest is a man about seventy years of age, nearly five feet six inches in height; but so infirm that he is scarcely able to walk, for which reason he was supported by two young priests: about ninety priests followed in his train. On entering the hall they divided to the two sides so as to leave a large open space between them; the Dessawes stood also on each side, but nearest to the wall. The whole hall, as well the ceiling and floor, as the beautifully carved pillars, were

^{*}Night is considered by the Kandians as the time most proper for public ceremonies, as well of the church as of the State, and the nearer the hour approaches midnight, the more it is considered honourable to the objects of the ceremony.

covered with white cotton cloth. In all these arrangements the strictest Kandian Court etiquette was observed. The priests were clad all in large flowing robes of rich yellow silk; that of the High Priest was of velvet of the same colour; each held a kind of fan before him, which according to their different ranks of priesthood, was more or less covered with gold, silver, or coloured silk embroidery; their heads were close shaved and uncovered. Every person having taken his station, His Excellency the Governor, in conformity to the customs and etiquette of that country. inquired, (through Mr. D'Oyly, who translated it to the first Adikar Molegoddi, who delivered it with a forward inclination of his body to the High Priest,) how his health was, hoping that the journey had not fatigued him? The High Priest expressed through the same medium his acknowledgments for the kind inquiry, which he returned with wishes for the General's welfare. He was then made acquainted with the object of the meeting, and particularly with that part of the convention which relates to the Buddha religion. All the priests listened with profound attention, and after the High Priest had, for a short time. spoken in a low voice with some of the oldest about him, he returned nearly the following answer; he thanked the Governor, in the name of them all, for the protection now promised, and for that which they had already experienced; he said, that they rejoiced in the change which had lately taken place, and that he might assure the King of England of their faithful attachment: that it was greatly owing to His Excellency's mild and just government, to his benevolence to the helpless and poor, who could at all times find access to him, (which had been long known to the Kandians) that this change was effected, and therefore his arrival amongst them, had been hailed as a blessing. He added, that they knew he was a man of much religion, who feared God, and this was a sure sign that he would protect them in particular, although they were of a different religion. "We have heard," continued the venerable priest, "of your virtues, of your piety, and of your charity; and the great revolutions which have been effected among us, have had their source, not less in the admiration of your character and government, than in the evils we have suffered."

It would exceed the bounds of a letter, if I were to repeat to you the whole conversation of this interview, interesting as it was to all of us, to see our late enemy's subjects, so fully appreciate the value of our noble and excellent commander; a better, more honourable and more virtuous man cannot exist, nor a more conscientious and faithful servant to his King and Country; and here we have a strong proof of the esteem in which these virtues were held even amongst a people whom we considered little removed from savage life, and we were highly gratified in hearing them recognised by the chief of their priesthood in direct terms, and in such a full assembly of the principal natives.

Towards midnight the High Priest requested leave to withdraw, and I believe that we all wished him with much pleasure a good night, as the ceremonies of this day had, till that late hour, deprived us of our dinner. I must add that he begged some of our musick-might precede

him to his residence. The band of the third Ceylon regiment (all Caffres) was ordered on this duty, and detained by him for some hours.

From this time until the departure of the General for Colombo, which happened on the 17th of March, we were employed to make the quarters for the troops as comfortable as possible. The hospital was established in the Queen's, or water palace, and placed under the direction of Mr. Moffatt, Surgeon to the third Ceylon regiment; to whose unremitting care, attention and ability, every possible praise is due, and much of the good health the troops have hitherto enjoyed. This gentleman is one of those few who survived the unfortunate campaign of 1803; he was then an assistant surgeon in the fifty-first regiment.

Fortifications and lines of defence were traced out, not only at Kandy, but also at Atjala, Madavalatane, Nalande, and Amenapoora, which are commanding stations at the principal passes leading to Kandy, and situated in the most healthy and elevated places; the last named post is about thirteen miles from Kandy towards Colombo, at the top of the Balani pass; the situation is delightful and commands an extended view over the rich and beautiful surrounding country.

On the 20th of March, General Brownrigg arrived at Colombo. For many miles the road was covered with people anxious to see their beloved Governor again after the so much dreaded campaign. It was scarcely possible for the carriages and horses to proceed from the suburbs (where His Excellency was met by all the Civil Servants to Government) and which extends for more than two miles from the gates of the fort; numerous triumphal arches were erected by the several castes of natives, the streets of the Moormen, or Goldsmiths, was particularly beautiful by its decorations; from the outer gate of the fortification to the government house, the troops in garrison formed a street, and offered with true and heartfelt pleasure, those honours to their General which the service prescribes.

I cannot end this letter, without mentioning, that our troops, in the interior, enjoy perfect health, and we have the best prospect that they will continue to do so; very few men are in the hospital, and those are slight cases; no jungle fever; sore legs and rheumatism are the most prevalent complaints. Only a few casualties have happened.

We have lost an officer, Major Willerman, whose death is lamented by the whole army, and by his friends more than I can describe; every person who knew him has participated in the feelings which have been so well and feelingly expressed by General Brownrigg, in a general order, of which you have here a copy.* The day after the anniversary of His Majesty's birthday, my departed friend complained of a slight pain in the head; this uneasiness augmented the following days, and enfeebled him much; on the 11th and 12th of June, he had some fever, but no danger was apprehended. On the 13th, early in the morning, his servants called some of his most intimate friends, when they found him just closing his eyes for ever; his last moments were without pain, as his life and noble heart were without blemish.

I fèel unable to add more to this letter.

Believe me, &c., &c.

(To be continued.)

GENEALOGY OF THE FAMILY OF KELLAR OF CEYLON

(Compiled by the late Mr. F. H. de Vos in 1917; revised by Mr. D. V. Altendorff in 1948)

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Steven Kellar, born at Schweinfurt in Bavaria, living in Ceylon in 1770—1784, (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. I, page 87), married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 21st January 1770, Johanna Jacobsz, and he had by her:—

- 1 Stephanus Cornelis, born 6th December 1772.
- 2 Gerardus Valentyn, born 27th March 1774, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Matara, 20th October 1804, Anna Susana de Silva of Matara.
- 3 Johanna Wilhelmina, born September 5th 1778.
- 4 Anna Magdalena, born 42th December 1779, died 25th Nov. 1807, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 15th October 1804, Johannes Jacobus Deutrom, baptised 19th October 1779, son of Janszoon Deutrom of Groningsu and Susana Liewere. (D.B.U. Journal Vol. XXXI, page 63).
- 5 Daniel Christiaan, who follows under II.
- 6 Laurens Stephanus, born 2nd July 1784.

\mathbf{II}

Daniel Christiaan Kellar, born at Galle, 25th December 1780, married:

- (a) Catharina Dorothea Hartel
- (b) 27th March 1805, Johanna Sibilla Ephraums, daughter of Coenraad Christiaan Ephraums and Sanche de Sielwe. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, page 105) Of the first marriage, he had:—
- 1 Cornelis Gysbertus, who follows under III. Of the second marriage, he had:—
- 2 Nicolaas William Henry, who follows under IV
- 3 George Frederic, who follows under V
- 4 Joseph Lambertus, born 1st October 1812.
- 5 Edward Henry, born 5th June 1816, died 1st April 1860, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Matara, Josina Emelia Georgiana Altendorff, born 8th November 1830, died 6th December 1857, daughter of Gerard Johan Altendorff and Jacoba Margarita Keuneman. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, page 201 and Vol. XXXIII, page 101.
- 6 Johanna Dorothea, born 15th July 1822.

- 7 Johanna Carolina, born 16th July 1825, married in All Saints' Church, Galle, 21st April 1858, John Ebenezer Eaton, widower of Wilhelmina Margarita Hicken nee Nieuwerhoven and of Josephina Angenita Bogaars, and son of Ebenezer Eaton and Petronella Gertruida Ferdinand. (D.B.U. Journal Vol. XXV, page 75, and Vol. XXXV, pages 50 and 51.)
- 8 Johanna Henrietta, born 28th December 1829.
- 9 James Martin, who follows under VI

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Cornelis Gysbertus Kellar, born at Matara, 9th April 1803, married at Galle by Governor's licence dated 3rd September 1827, Endriata Thomasia Jansz, and he had by her:—

- 1 John Edwin, who follows under VII.
- 2 Archibald William, who follows under VIII
- 3 Harriet Charlotte, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 5th February, 1857, Richard Gerald Meloning, Notary Public, born 30th November 1830, died 18th May 1873, son of William Charles Murling, Proctor and Notary Public, and Charlotte Luvina Arnoldina Perera (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXII, page 32).
- 4 Gilbert Francis, who follows under IX.

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Nicolaas William Henry Kellar, baptised 5th August 1810, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 12th October 1840, Frederica Charlotte Catharina Ephraums, born 6th April 1821, daughter of Cornelis Adrianus Ephraums and Angenita Clara Van Ingen. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, page 105. He had by her:—

- 1 Henry Daniel, who follows under X.
- 2 Laurel Charlotte, born 19th February 1843.
- 3 Caroline Margaret, born 29th August 1844.
- 5 Arthur Edward, who follows under XI.

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George Frederick Kellar, born 16th March 1811, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 15th May 1837, Gertruida Elizabeth Bogaars, baptised 16th August 1818, died 20th February 1878, daughter of Henricus Mariuns Bogaars and Anna Maria Dorothea Baptist. He had by her:—

- 1 Daniel Henry, born 10th February 1838.
- 2 Margaret Helen, born 6th March 1839, married Daniel Gauder, son of Joseph Gauder and Augusta Abigail Andree. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. X, page 14).

- 3 John Edward, born 27th March 1841.
- 4 Juliet Eliza, born 8th January 1843.

5 George Frederick, who follows under XII.

6 Charles Edward, born 5th August 1848 died 1862.

Juliet Charlotte, born 4th October 1849, died 15th March 1893, married Arthur Francis Koch, son of Johann Godfried Koch and Angenita Dorothea Aldons. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. page 130 and Vol. XXXII, page 117).

VΙ

James Martin Kellar, Proctor, born 13th July 1832, died 2nd March 1893, married:

- (a) 4th September 1861, Eliza Kemps, died 9th January 1863
- (b) Agnes Eliza Poulier, born 1st October 1843, daughter of Gerrit Arnout Poulier and Crecia Arnoldina Jansz. (D.B U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, page 27.) Of the first marriage, he had:—
- 1 Elizabeth Agnes, born 27th December 1863.
 Of the second marriage, he had:—
- 2 Margaret Helen, born 25th September 1869, died 20th December 1896.
- 3 William James, born 1st July 1872, died 30th April 1916, married in St. Thomas' Church, Matara, 2nd Sept. 1915. Adeline Beatrice Ferdinand, born 20th June 1886, daughter of George Hinde Ferdinand and Jane Julia Ebert. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXI, page 76.)
- 4 Mabel.
- Rose Maud.
- 6 Gerald Arnold (Horton) left for Fiji.
- 7 Ruth Selina, born 3rd October 1879.
- 8 Molyneux Daniel. born 31st October 1881.
- 9 Miriam Canstance, born 28th December 1886, married in St. Thomas' Church, Matara, William Henry Solomons, born 18th December 1879, died 1942.

VII

John Edwin Kellar, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 20th November 1856, Julia Ulrica de Zilva. He had by her:—

- 1 Anna Ulrica, born 16th July 1857.
- 2 Marian Louisa, born 19th July 1858, died 29th July 1941, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Matara, 4th September 1878, William Darley Altendorff, born 22nd October 1850, son of Fretz Arnold Altendorff and Petronella Philippina Jansz. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXIII, pages 101 and 104.)
- 3 Beatrice
- 4 Adelaide
- 5 William
- 6 Julian
- 7 Richard (Dick).

VIII

Archibald William Kellar, born 19th February 1836, married:-

- (a) In the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 13th December 1858. Anna Frederica Meurling, born 11th November 1837, died 22nd March 1876, daughter of William Charles Meurling, Proctor and Notary Public, and Charlotte Luvina Arnoldina Perera. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXII, page 32.)
- (b) In Christ Church, Tangalla, 16th January 1878, Emelia Leonora Andree, born 28th February 1858, died 2nd November 1884, daughter of Charles Bay Andree and Priscilla Buultjens. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXX, page 23.) Of the first marriage, he had:—
- 1 Arthur Meurling, who follows under XIII.

IX

Gilbert Francis Kellar, died 7th January 1894, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 12th February 1864, Georgiana Margaret Ephraums, born 30th July 1838, died 24th August 1902, widow of Chery Louis Philippe Daviotte, and daughter of Daniel Ephraums and Catharina Charlotta Zybrandsz. (D,B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, pages 195 and 106.) He had by her:—

- 1 Francis Georgiana, born 8th January 1865, died 22nd November 1939, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 14th July 1887, Henry Barnes Christoffelsz, born 23rd November 1855, died 27th August 1925, son of Luke Philip Christoffelsz and Jemima Cecilia de Zilva. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, pages 15 and 18).
- 2 Percy, born 1868, died 19th April 1896, married Sylvia Blanche Andree, born 26th August 1870, daughter of Henry Dionysius (Daniel) Andree and Mary Ann Morris. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. X, page 16).
- 3 Adele
- 4 Clarine Theresa, born 3rd March 1875, died 27th April 1940.

X

Henry Daniel Kellar, born 17th July 1841, married Susan Augusta Lydia Claessen, daughter of William Anthony Claessen, Crown Proctor, Tangalla, and Sophia de Caan. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXV, page 115). He had by her:—

- 1 Granville.
- 2 Lydia.

\mathbf{XI}

Arthur Edward Kellar, born 27th July 1849, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Matara, 23rd May 1873, Henrietta Ellenora (Harriet Eleanor) Claessen, born 27th August 1853, daughter of Coenraad Henricus Claessen and Maria Georgiana de Caan (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXV, pages 116 and 117). He had by her:—

1 Henry Arthur James, born 23rd April 1874.

XII

George Frederick Kellar, Sub-Collector of Customs, born 16th August 1844, died 31st January, 1903, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Matara:—

- (a) 26th February 1875, Laura Emelia Keuneman, born 23rd March 1847, daughter of Jurgen David Bartholomeus Keuneman, Crown Proctor, Matara, and Gerardina Carolina Vollenhoven. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, pages 93 and 201).
- (b) 22nd January 1879, Alice Margaret Altendorff, born 23rd July 1856, died 20th January 1938, daughter of Gerard Henry Altendorff and Lucretia Arabella de Caan. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXIII, page 102).

 Of the first marriage, he had:—
 - Laura, born 11th December 1875, died 16th December 1875. Of the second marriage, he had:—
- 2 George Frederick, born 21st October 1879, died 28th February 1902.
- 8 Kenneth Ewart, who follows under XIV.
- 4 Gerald Ellis Franklin, who follows under XV.
- 5, Rollo Carden, born 4th October 1884, died 25th July 1894.
- 6 Carlo Orlando, who follows under XVI.
- 7 Charles Edwin, born 23rd January 1888, died 27th April 1888.
- 8 Lizzie Evangeline, born 1st February 1889, died 8th August 1889.
- 9 Hilda Margaret, born 14th June 1890, died 18th May 1895.
- 10 Denis Altendorff, born 8th August 1891.
- 11 Adeline May, born 1st May 1893.
- 12 Tudor Evan, born 27th May 1895, died 24th November 1896.

XIII

Arthur Meurling Kellar, born 28th April 1863, died 12th February 1922, married in St. Paul's Church, Kandy, 25th February 1889, Rosalind Maud Ephraums, born 27th April 1865, daughter of Edmund Dunbar Ephraums and Jane Coopman. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, page 107). He had by her:—

1 Sylvia Irene, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Regent Street, Colombo, 22nd June 1922, Stanley Colvin Demmer, born 18th April 1896, died 14th March 1923, son of Colvin Lloyd Demmer and Florence Clara de Hoedt.

XIV

Kenneth Ewart Kellar, M.B.E., E.D., Assistant Collector of Customs, Colombo, Captain and Quartermaster, Ceylon Engineers, born 23rd September 1881, died 19th July 1944, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 8th April 1912, Margaret Wilson, born 26th November 1886. He had by her:—

- 1 Gladys Marguerite, born 25th May 1913, married in St. Paul's Church, Kynsey Road, Colombo, 28th October 1935, Hugh Hamilton Bartholomeusz, born 18th November 1909, son of Hugh Hamilton Bartholomeusz, Barrister-at-Law, and Alice Maud Jansz.
- 2 George Franklin Kenneth, who follows under XVII.
- 3 Frederick Evelyn, who follows under XVIII.
- 4 Durand Ainsley, who follows under XIX.
- Maureen Inez Lucille, born 25th March 1921, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya, 10th October 1942, Trevor Haig Christoffelsz, Inspector of Police, born 18th March 1918, son of Eugene James Christoffelsz, Superintendent of Excise, and Alice Winifred Anne South. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, page 20).
- 6 Trisset Eileen, born 3rd October 1924, died 13th October 1924.

XV-

Gerald Ellis Franklin Kellar, Chief Clerk, Postmaster-General's Office, Lieutenant and Assistant Adjutant, Ceylon Garrison Artillery, born 10th March 1883, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya, 16th December 1912, Helen Thelma Constance Mellonius, born 30th March 1885, daughter of John Granville Mellonius and Selina Barbara Fernando. He had by her:—

- 1 Phyllis Thelma Constance, born 4th October, 1913, married:
 - (a) In St. Michael's and All Angels' Church, Colombo, 15th June 1936, James Noel Staples, born 7th October 1909, son of Charles James Staples and Mary Christobel de Zilwa Van Twest.
 - (b) In the Registrar-General's Office, Colombo, 8th March 1943, Neville Duncan Leslie Fernando.
- 2 Earle Franklin Ellis, who follows under XX.
- 3 Isabel Doreen, born 16th March 1919, died 19th March 1919.
- 4 Barbara Inez, born 25th March 1921.

XVI

Carlo Orlando Kellar, F.A.I.A., Assistant Accountant, Vavasseur & Co., Ceylon, Limited, born 1st November 1886, married in Holy Trinity Church, Colombo, 24th June 1914, Amelia Blackett Stewart, born 18th December 1886, daughter of Simon Stewart and Madeline Helen Hesse. He had by her:

- 1 Madeleine Amelia Stewart, M.I.D.M.A., A.N.A.T.D., born 17th April, 1915, married in Holy Trinity Church, Colombo, 24th June 1939, Clarence Percival Austin de Vos, born 15th January 1914, son of Clarence Percival de Vos and Linda May Austin. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXVII, page 144).
- 2 Carl Ronald Stewart, born 26th September 1924.

XVII

George Franklin Kenneth Kellar, born 24th July 1914, married in the Baptist Church, Cinnamon Gardens, Colombo, 28th February 1942, Rhona Isabel Frank, born 6th September 1917, daughter of Raoul James Frank and Mabel Louise Winifred Pate. He had by her:—

- 1 Shirley Isabel, born 11th November 1943.
- 2 Raoul Kenneth Frank, born 17th July 1945.
- 3 Rachel Elaine, born 16th September 1946,

XVIII

Frederick Evelyn Kellar, born 29th October 1916, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya, 7th February 1942, Marjorie Ernestine Ada Kelaart, born 25th June 1911, daughter of Bertram Colvin Kelaart and Ernestine Irene Edith Gibson. He had by her:—

1 Jennifer Arlene, born 29th November 1942.

2 Margot Suzanna, born 12th July 1944.

XIX

Durand Ainsley Kellar, born 21st July 1918, married in Ladies' College Chapel, Colombo, 4th July 1942, Rhoda Maurine Ohlmus, born 19th April 1920, daughter of Basil Joseph Ohlmus and Vyvette Jeanne Van Cuylenburg, (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXVIII, page 176). He had by her:—

1 Randolph Kenneth, born 21st January 1946.

XX

Earle Franklin Ellis Kellar. L.M.S. (Ceylon) Civil Medical Department, born 16th October 1915, married in St. Michael's and All Angels' Church, Colombo, 18th June 1942, Enid Iris Pate, born 18th June 1920, daughter of Edwin Thomas Arthur Pate and Marie Mildred Frank. He had by her:—

1 Earlson Franklin Ellis, born 19th November 1943.

2 Gerald Anthony, born 4th February 1945.

Note: Johanna Jacobsz, as widow of Steven Kellar referred to under I, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 9th September 1787, Johan Samuel Dierbag of Saxen.

GENEALOGY OF THE FAMILY OF ALBERT JANSZ OF CEYLON.

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

1

Albert Jansz, born at Onderdam (Groningen), arrived in Ceylon on 22nd August 1773, in the "Landscroon," died circa 1798, (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. I, page 86), married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 5th September 1790, Catharina Antonia, and he had by her:—

1 Albert, who follows under II.

\mathbf{II}

Albert Jansz, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 6th August 1810, Christina Wilhelmina Scheffer, daughter of Johannes Scheffer of Sneek and Agnita Theodora Heyman. He had by her:—

1 Anna Henrietta, born 5th May 1811.

2 Wilhelmus Fredericus, who follows under III.

3 Hendrik Fredrik, who follows under IV.

4 Johanna Salomina, born 19th February 1818.

5 Arnoldus Henricus, who follows under V.

6 Eliza Frederica, born 18th January 1822.

7 Edwardus Wilhelmus, who follows under VI.

8 Cyrus Henricus, who follows under VII.

9 Charles Wilhelmus, who follows under VIII.

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Wilhelmus Fredericus Jansz, born 15th September 1813, married Johanna Catharina Coopman, and he had by her:—

1 Emelia Frederica, born 17th February 1840, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 6th January 1859, Andrew Henry Sela, born 31st December 1830, son of Albertus Wilhelmus Sela and Eliza Elizabeth Bell. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXV, page 22).

IV.

Hendrik Fredrik (Henry Frederick) Jansz, born 6th October 1815, died 12th September 1903, married at Hambantota by the District Judge, Charles Patten Walker, 1st December 1842, Maria Elizabeth Andree, born 3rd May 1827, died 19th April 1892, daughter of Adolphus Wilhelmus Andree Thomasia Dorothea Arnoldina Poulier (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. X, pages 15 and 16, and Vol. XXIV, page 22). He had by her:—

1 Margaret Harriet, born 8th November 1843, died 11th March 1894, married in All Saints' Church, Galle, 4th October 1865, William Henry Jansz, Proctor, son of Charles Rudolphus Henricus Jansz and Sarah Lalmon.

- 2 William Henry Andree, who follows under IX.
- 3 Francis Scheffer, born 13th September 1846, died 7th May 1873.
- 4 Ambrose Everhard, born 23rd August 1848, died 2nd June 1849.
- 5 Agnes Louisa, born 10th December 1849.
- 6 Anne Elizabeth, born 11th August 1851, died 9th February 1897.
- 7 Walter Andree, who follows under X.
- 8 Zilia Eleanor Andree, born 17th June 1855, married in All Saints' Church, Galle, 14th July 1879, Frederick George Spittel, L.M.S. (Ceylon), L.R.C.P. and S. (Edin.), Provincial Surgeon, Civil Medical Department, born 26th January 1853, died 13th July 1920, son of Gerardus Adrianus Spittel and Christiana Petronella Jansen. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXV, pages 163 and 165).
- 9 Son, born 31st January, 1857, died 9th May 1857.

V

Arnoldus Henricus Jansz, born 1st June 1820, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 27th September 1869, Juliet Angelina Hansze, and he had by her:—

- 1 Alfred Albert, born 6th August 1870.
- 2 William Arnold, born 7th August 1871.
- 3 Anne Juliet, born 21st October 1872.
- 4 Charles Edward, born 21st February 1876.

VI

Edwardus Wilhelmus, Jansz, born 23rd February 1824, married Clara Hendrietta Rudolphina Sela, died 7th June 1905, daughter of Albertus Wilhelmus Sela and Eliza Elizabeth Bell. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXV, page 22). He had by her:—

- 1 Charlotta Clara, born 14th January 1848, died 31st August 1931, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 16th January 1868, Francis Gauder Morgan, born 7th June 1844, died 30th August 1875, son of Trutand Frederick Morgan, Magistrate, Matara, and Johanna Elizabeth Sophia Gauder. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XI, page 63).
- 2 Wellington Albert, born 26th April 1849.
- 3 Eliza Maria, born 25th June 1851, died 7th July 1924, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 28th June 1869, Charles Nathaniel Eaton, died 24th April 1904, son of William Edward Eaton and Anne Dorothy Henrietta Bogaars. (D.B.U Journal, Vol. XXXV, pages 51 and 52).

VII

Cyrus Henricus Jansz, born 18th August 1830, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle;—

- (a) 11th February 1852, Merciana Johanna Dorothea Speldewinde, born 18th July 1830, daughter of Johan Godfried Speldewinde and Anna Leonara Anthonisz. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXIII, page 73).
- (b) 25th March 1871, Amelia Sophia Adelaide Meurling, born 18th May 1845, died 30th April 1896, daughter of William Charles Meurling, Proctor and Notary Public, and Charlotte Frederica Smith. D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, page 102 and Vol. XXXII, page 32).

Of the first marriage, he had :-

1 Albert Godfrey, born 1853, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 20th February 1879. Emelia Eleanor Sela, born 1st November 1860, daughter of Andrew Henry Sela and Emelia Frederica Jansz (Vide III, 1, supra, and D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXV, page 22).

VIII

Charles Wilhelmus Jansz, born 18th August 1830, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 10th January, 1855, Johanna Carolina Auwardt, born 7th January 1834, daughter of Johannes Cornelis Auwardt and Ersina Wilhelmina de Silva. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXII, pages 72 and 76). He had by her:—

- 1 Samuel Auwardt, who follows under XI.
- 2 Cecilia Ellen, born 4th March 1858, died 30th July 1860.
- 3 Benjamin Denis, who follows under XII.
- 4 Juliana, born 13th May 1860, died 21st May 1860.
- 5 Oliver Eustace who follows under XIII.

IX

William Henry Andree Jansz, Proctor, born 1st March 1845, died 28th February 1893, married in All Saints' Church, Galle, 8th January 1872, Bernetta Gertrude Piters, died 17th July 1887, daughter of Cornelius Jacobus Piters and Mary Ann Garvin, (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXIV, page 110), He had by her:—

- 1 Gertrude Andree, born 18th April 1880, died 1924, married in St. Thomas' Church, Matara, 1909, Charles Hindle.
- 2 Henry Andree, who follows under XIV.
- 3 Son, born and died 16th July 1887.

X

Walter Andree Jansz, born 1st April 1853, died 2nd March 1921, married in the Methodist Church, Galle, 19th September 1878, Alice Laura Van Rooyen, born 12th May 1860, died 30th April 1928, daughter of James Adrian Van Rooyen and Margaret Schroter. He had by her:—

- 1 Francis Andree, born 18th August 1879, died 20th January 1893.
- Vivienne Andree, born 16th August 1880, married in the Methodist Church, Randomba near Galle, 27th June 1906, Charles Hamilton de Zilva.

- 3 Clarice Andree, born 31st May 1882, died 31st August 1940.
- 4 Alice Margaret Andree, born 16th September 1885, died 12th December 1910.
- 5 Lilian Andree, born 12th May 1889, died 23rd December 1941, married in the Methodist Church, Ambalangoda, 29th December 1913, James George Balthazar, born 6th June 1833, died 12th June 1930, son of Desiderius Godfrey Balthazar, Inspector of Police, and Julia Ellen Andriezen.
- 6 Eleanor Andree, born 11th July 1894.
- 7 Ina Andree, born 24th May 1889, died 29th June 1942.

ΧI

Samuel Auwardt Jansz, born 24th June 1856, married Olivia Grace Van Rooyen, daughter of James Adrian Van Rooyen and Margaret Schroter. He had by her:—

- 1 Kathleen Margaret, born 25th May 1889, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 12th May 1909, Albert Edward La Brooy, born 12th October 1885, son of Evan George La Brooy and Julia Rosamond Mack. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, pages 75 and 79).
- Oliver Van Rooyen, born 15th May 1890, died 25th May 1946.

xII

Benjamin Denis Jansz. Chief Clerk, Customs Department, born 23rd May 1859, died 3rd August 1930, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 23rd November 1887, Margaret Caroline Bogaars, born 5th March 1865, died 7th December 1937, daughter of George Nathaniel Bogaars and Margaret Caroline Armstrong. He had by her:—

1 Henrietta Margaret, born 20th September 1888, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 21st June 1911, James Clement Osmund Ernst, First Assistant Assessor, Colombo Municipality.

Charles Eustace Denis, born 13th February 1890.

- Ethel Winifred, born 19th June 1891, married in Christ Church Cathedral, Colombo, 6th April 1981, Henry Lindsay Eaton, born 10th November 1891, son of James Evenezer Eaton and Sophia Amelia Maria de Zilva. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXV, page 53.)
- 4 George Armstrong, born 21st February 1893, died 25th December 1893.
- 5 Victor Ernest Denis, born 7th June 1894.
- 6 Lionel Trutand, who follows under XV.
- Muriel Grace, born 8th February 1897.
- 8 Elline Marguerite, born 12th January 1899, married in St. Paul's Church, Kynsey Road, Colombo, 28th December, 1945, Waldo Sansoni, O.B.E., V.D., J.P., U.M., Advocate, Ceylon Judicial Service, District Judge, Colombo, Colonel Commanding the Ceylon Light Infantry, 1985—1939, widower of

Thomasia Gertrude Harriet Schrader. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. VI, page 72) and son of Miliani Henry Sansoni, Proctor, and Alice Rosalind Aldons. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXII, page 117).

9 Christine Irene, born 25th December 1900.

10 Zillia Olivia, born 19th May 1903.

11 Edith Marjory, born 26th November 1904.

12 Denzil, born 1906, died in infancy.

XIII.

Oliver Eustace Jansz, District Surveyor, Kuala Lampur, F.M.S., born 31st January 1866, married:

- (a) In Selangor, 26th November 1892, Theodosia Florence Van Geyzel, born 12th June 1873, died 31st March 1895, daughter of Pieter Vincent Van Geyzel and Harriet Angelina Woutersz. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. X, pages 77 and 79).
- (b) In Singapore,......Herft.
 Of the first marriage, he had:—
- 1 Harriet, married......Thomasz.
 Of the second marriage, he had several children.

XIV.

Henry Andree Jansz, born 2nd February 1885, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya, 27th December 1919, Muriel Maud Rodé, born 18th December 1894, daughter of Thomas Vincent Rodé and Susan Charlotte Merciana Byrne. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIX, page 101). He had by her:—

- 1 Henry Frederick Andree, born 5th March 1921, died 30th January 1923.
- 2 Phyllis Naomi Muriel Andree, born 20th July 1922, died 16th September 1938.
- 3 Stanly Byrne Andree, born 13th July 1924.
- 4 Leslie Byrne Andree, born 22nd February 1927.
- 5 Percival Byrne Andree, born 11th November 1932.

XV.

Lionel Trutand Denis Jansz, born 25th July 1895, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Bambalapitiya, 9th October 1937, Phyllis Gwendoline La Brooy, born 12th August 1911, daughter of Albert Edward La Brooy and Kathleen Margaret Jansz, (vide XI, supra). He had by her:—

- 1 Bevil Denis, born 3rd August 1938.
- 2 Beulah Marguerite, born 5th October 1939, died 14th January 1943.

3 Lester Travice Denis, born 1st November 1941.

- Dawn Romayne, born 19th January 1944, died 2nd August 1944.
- 5 Derick Rodney Denis, born 2nd May 1946.

- Notes: (1) There are three documents in original referring to Albert Jansz mentioned under (1). Two are in Dutch and translations are subjoined, as also the third document which is in English:
 - (a) Albert Jansz of Onderdam arrived in the year 1737 in the ship "Duyvenburg at the Cape, sailed in that same year in the "Landscroon", and arrived in India as arquebusier on 10 guilders a month, salary increased on August 31, 1778, to 12 guilders for a term of three years, is by these presents on a vacancy occurring, promoted to the rank of Quarter-master and given the salary of 14 guilders a month under a new agreement beginning from today. Colombo, the 25th February 1781.
 - (b) Albert Jansz of Onderdam arrived in India in 1773 in the ship "Landscroon" as sailor (Mattroos) on 10 guilders, promoted as Quarter-master in 1781 on 14 guilders, salary raised on August 5, 1784, to 17 guilders, and appointed Assistant Pilot, is hereby appointed as Pilot on 20 guilders a month on a new agreement beginning from today.

Colombo, June 12, 1789.

Sg. J. W. VAN DE GRAAF.

(c) Certificate of Registration for Europeans.
In conformity to a Resolution of Council bearing date the 25th February 1802, I do hereby certify that Albert Jansz, Pilot, residing at Point de Galle, has appeared at this office and has declared to be a native of Onderdam, a village in Groningen, and that he arrived at the Port of Colombo on the Island of Ceylon on board the ship called "Landscroon", which sailed from the Kaap de Goede Hoop in 1773 in the month of May. The said Albert Jansz is hereby licensed and authorised to reside at Point de Galle during the pleasure of His Excellency the Governor or his successors, Governors and Lieutenant-Governors of Ceylon.

By His Excellencys Command
(Signature illegible)
Agent of Revenue and Commerce.

Galle, 11th June, 1802.

(2) Margaret Harriet Jansz, referred to under IV. I. was baptised at Hambantota 18th September 1844 by the Reverend George Jackson, M.A., Chaplain of H.M.S. Fox.

GENEALOGY OF THE FAMILY OF THIEDEMAN OF CEYLON.

(Compiled by Mr. D. V. Altendorff)

Ι

Class Thiedeman married Elizabeth de Nigt, and he had by her:—

- 1 Anna Maria, baptised at Colombo, 20th October 1706, married at Colombo, 3rd May 1722, Johannes Vertagen (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. VI, page 74.)
- 2 Helmer, who follows under II.

11

Helmer Thiedeman married Johanna Josephsz, and he had by her:—

- 1 Albertus, who follows under III.
- 2 Nicolaas, who follows under IV.
- 3 Helmer Balthazar, baptised 28th September 1749.

TTT

Albertus Thiedeman married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 22nd July 1768, Francina Pietersz, and he had by her:—

1 Helmer, baptised 18th September 1769.

ΤV

Nicolaas Thiedeman married Anna Maria Perera, and he had by

- 1 Angeltina Adriana, baptised 30th. June 1771.
- 2 Wilhelmina Cornelia married Fredrick Wilhelmus Sauer.
- 3 Nicolaas Adrianus, who follows under V,

v

Nicolaas Adrianus Thiedeman, Ensign, baptised 2nd May 1778, married Sophia Elisabeth de Bondt, and he had by her:—

- 1 Maria Cornelia married at Mannar by Governor's licence dated 30th October 1820, Joseph Raymond Alexander Van Langenberg.
- 2 Frederica Elisabeth, baptised 19th March 1809, married at Calpentyn, 18th October 1827 by Governor's licence dated 27th July 1827, John William Frederick Bartholomeusz, son of Abraham Evert Bartholomeusz and Jacoba Cornelia Liendersz.
- 3 Susanna Cornelia, born 11th January 1812.
- 4 Nicolaas Cornelius, who follows under VI.
- 5 Frederick Edward, who follows under VII.

[V]

Nicolaas Cornelius Thiedeman, born 8th July 1820 died 17th September 1859, married 8th August 1839, Carolina Augustina Theile, born 28th March 1824, died 30th June 1885. He had by her:—

- 1 John James, who follows under VIII.
- 2 Frederick Cornelis, who follows under IX.
- 3 Joseph Albert, who follows under X.

VII

Frederick Edward Thiedeman, born circa 1824, married:

- (a).....
- (b) Jane Mary Bartholomeusz, daughter of Abraham Evert Bartholomeusz and Anna Catharina Werkmeester (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXVII; page 58.)
- (c) Eliza Bulner.
- (d) In St. Paul's Church, Pettah, Colombo, 27th February 1868, Anne Angelina Fernando.
- Of the third marriage, he had: -
- 1 James Alarick Edwin, who follows under XI.
- 2 Edmund, who follows under XII.

·VIII

John James Thiedeman, Inspector of Police, born 18th October 1844, died 27th December 1900, married in Christ Church, Galle Face, Colombo, 30th July 1868, Julia Argina Kelaart, born 6th November 1852, died 30th September 1921, daughter of Jonannes Wilhelmus (John William) Kelaart and Henrietta Argina Schubert, He had by her:—

- 1 John Pledgeworth, born 11th April 1870, died 16th July 1871.
- 2 Noble Love Charlotte Caroline, born 21st April 1871, married in St. Matthew's Church, Demetagoda, 18th January 1906, John Buchan Morris of Stirling in Scotland.
- 3 Worthly Brinsley John (Walter Andreas) born 23rd January 1873, died 23rd February 1939, married in Holy Trinity Church, Colombo, 26th December 1904, Muriel Elaine Van Dort, born 22nd March 1880, daughter of Vincent Harris Van Dort and Sarah Selina Mottau (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. V, page 56 and Vol. XXVIII, page 29).
- 4 Goldstuker Gift Jewel Joseph, who follows under XIII.
- 5 Guy Willonghby Rickwill, born 29th April 1876, died 23rd April 1894.
- 6 Eila Susan Argina Edith, born 28th. February 1878, married in St. Matthew's Church, Demetagoda, 2nd December 1897, Ambrose Francis Valentine Kelaart, born 25th September 1871, son of Richard Alexander Kelaart and Eulione Lucretia Heyse.
- 7 John Redaelwal Frederick Joseph, who follows under XIV.
- 8 Reruefricke William Cornelis Carlyle, who follows under XV.

- 9 Pledgeworth Nancy Caroline, born 1st January 1883, died 3rd November 1936, married in Christ Church, Galle Face, Colombo, 12th March 1906, Samuel Maurice Thiedeman, who follows under XVIII.
- 10 Shelton Harwood Ernest, follows under XVI.
- 11 Arthur Morris, born 6th March 1887, died 10th April 1887.
- 12 Benjamin John Viirco Trench Peter, who follows under XVII.

IX

Frederick Cornelis Thiedeman, born 30th April 1849, died 23rd September 1878, married in Christ Church, Jaffna, 4th January 1868, Agnes Theile born 11th July 1853, died 17th February 1918, daughter of Peter Theile and Emily Gertrude Vander Gucht. He had by her:—

- 1 Alfred Henry, born 11th July 1870, died 1935.
- 2 Clarence, born 10th March 1873.
- 3 Samuel Maurice, who follows under XVIII.

X

Joseph Albert Thiedeman, born 21st September 1852, married in Holy Trinity Church, Colombo, 21st September 1878, Mabel Elizabeth Mills, born 11th November 1860. He had by her:—

- 1 Mabel Alice Laura born 10th December 1880, married in St. Paul's Church, Pettah, Colombo, 20th January 1904, Sydney Herft.
- 2 Olga Honoria, born 17th March 1882, married in St. Andrew's Church, Nawalapitiya, 8th May 1901, Charles William Woth.
- 3 Albert Joseph, born 16th June 1886, married in All Saint's Church, Galle, 22nd December 1917, Rose Muriel Theile.
- 4 Hamlyn, who follows under XIX.
- 5 Frank Trevelyan, who follows under XX.

XI

James Alarick Edwin Thiedeman, born 1st October 1855, died April 1906, married at Mannar 1884, Mary Bulner, born 1st November 1867. He had by her:—

- 1 Isaac Victor, born 3rd May 1887.
- 2 James Alarick Nelson, born 23rd October 1890, died 4th October 1933, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya, 25th June 1927, Ethel Margaret Mack, born 15th December 1889, daughter of Martin William Agar Mack and Adeline Maud Anthoniz.

- 3 Charles Annesley Allanson, who follows under XXI.
- 4 Florence Louisa, born 18th December 1898.
- Lucy Elizabeth Ruth, born 22nd August 1903, married in St. Mary's Church, Bambalapitiya, 28th December 1929, Oswald Michael Elibank Georgesz, Proctor and Notary Public, born 8th May 1890, son of John Edwin Georgesz and Roslin Elizabeth Rezel.

XII

Edmund Thiedeman, died at Kuala Lumpur, 25th December 1884, married in St. Anthony's Cathedral, Kandy, 20th December 1881, Theresa Alice Direckze, born 25th February 1865, died 24th July 1927, daughter of Edward Stephen Direckze and Ursula Ebert, he had by her:—

- 1 Ida Millicent, born 22nd September 1882, married in St. Mary's Church, Bambalapitiya, 11th September 1907, Ducat Godfrey Horace Ferdinand, born 13th August 1881, son of George Hinde Ferdinand, Chief Clerk, Kachcheri, Matara, and Jane Julia Ebert (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXV, page 76.)
- 2 Milan Alick Hilton, born 1883, died in infancy.

XIII

Goldstuker Gift Jewel Joseph Thiedeman, born 19th September 1874, died 5th December 1940, married in St. Paul's Church, Pettah, Colombo, 12th September 1898, Rosalind Rebecca Nicolle, born 17th July 1871, daughter of Nathaniel George Nicolle, and Petronella Martiesz. He had by her:—

1 Guy Sherlock Goldstuker, who follows under XXII.

XIV

John Redælwal Frederick Joseph Thiedeman, born 9th October 1879, died 5th May 1937, married in St. James' Church, Mutwal, 15th October 1906, Mabel Maud Kelaart, born 2nd September 1889, daughter of Peter Egbert Kelaart and Alice VanLangenberg. He had by her:

- 1 May Noble, born 1908, married Cyril VanLangenberg.
- 2 John Redælwal Herbert who follows under XXIII.
- 3 Mervyn Egbert, born 29th September 1912, married in 1938, Noble Love Harridge, born 6th June 1915.
- 4 Harold James, born 12th November 1915.
- 5 Frederick Vere, who follows under XXIV.
- 6 Manning Edgar, born 27th October 1920, married 26th December 1946, Yvonne Marian Elizabeth Rode born 2nd October, 1926 daughter of Luther Samuel Rode and Iris Primrose Pinder (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIX, page 117).
- 7 Hyacinth Julia Eila, born 19th April 1922, married 26th December 1941, Ronald Nissanka Henricus Karunaratne
- 8 Violet Noble Pearl, born 3rd November 1926, married in the Methodist Church, Kollupitiya, 21st June 1947, Roger Cosmas Smith, born 27th September 1922.
- 9 Frank Willoughby, born 14th June 1928.

$\mathbf{x}\mathbf{v}$

Reruefricke William Cornelis Carlyle Thiedeman, born 19th February 1881, married in St. Mathew's Church, Demetagoda, 12th April 1909, Freda Adolphina Kelaart, born 16th December 1884, daughter of Richard Alexander Kelaart and Eulione Lucretia Heyse. He had by her:—

1 James Richard Carlyle who follows under XXV.

XVI

Shelton Harwood Ernest Thiedeman, Proctor and Notary Public, born 15th April 1885, married in St. Mary's Church, Dehiwala, 21st November 1917, Lilian Rosalind Kelaart, born 27th February 1893, daughter of Harwood Arnold Kelaart and Jane Luisa Holdenbottel. He had by her:—

- 1 Eardley John Harwood, who follows under XXVI.
- 2 Celia Noble Lily, born 23rd October 1920, married in St. Mary's Church, Bambalapitiya, 4th October 1940, Hilton Forrest St. Clare Foenander, born 5th February 1917, son of Hubert Forrest Foenander and Lucy Annabelle D'Abrera.
- 3 Aigina Earline, born 13th May 1923.
- 4 David Noel, born 3rd September 1925.
- 5 Helen Louise, born 11th November 1927.
- 6 Elmo Lorenz, born 2nd December 1930.
- 7 Jessie Love Ingrid, born 10th November 1932.
- 8 James Armstrong, born 18th February 1936.

XVII

Benjamin John Viirco Trench Peter Thiedeman, F.S.A.C., Licensed Surveyor and Leveller, born 15th November 1889, married in St. Michel's and All Angels' Church, Colombo, 12th September 1916, Engenie Amelia Woodhouse, born 7th March 1897, daugher of George William Woodhouse, M.A., (Cantab), C.C.S. and Eugenie Amelia Dias Bandaranayake. He had by her:—

- 1 William Benjamin Viirco, who follows under XXVII.
- 2 Noble Eila Amy, born 16th November 1918, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya, 9th October 1940, Ansel Ney Dharmaratné.
- Duke Orlando Trench, born 30th June 1920, married in St. Xavier's Church, Nuwara Eliya, 8th November 1947, Rosemary Kathleen Joyce Enright, born 19th April 1929, daughter of John Douglas Enright and Enid Joyce Pereira.
 Princesse Eugenie, born 12th September 1923, married 16th
- Princesse Eugenie, born 12th September 1923, married 16th September 1943, Anthony Vernon Arnolda.
- 5 John James, born 24th June 1928.
- 6 Estella Maud, born 19th March 1930.

XVIII

Samuel Maurice Thiedeman, born 13th March 1878, died 24th March 1933, married in Christ Church, Galle Face, Colombo, 12th March 1906, Pledgeworth Nancy Caroline Thiedeman, referred to under VIII, 9, supra, and he had by her:—

1 Maurice John Samuel Fredrick, born 29th January 1907, died

in infancy.

Margaret Noble, born 31st January 1908, died 13th July 1929, married in St. Paul's Church, Kynsey Road, Colombo, 29th July 1928, George Fredrick Clæssen, died 1930, son of William Nelson Sieward Clæssen and Clarice Agatha Woutersz (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXV, page 120).

3 Frederick Samuel, who follows under XXVIII.

4 Maurice Walter Buchan, who follows under XXIX.

5 Irwin Shelton Noble, born 19th January 1913, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya, 12th February 1944, Drusilla Van Cuylenberg, born 7th June 1923.

Argina Ethel Amy Love, born 28th December 1913, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya, 28th December 1940, Cedric Mancel Koch, born 20th May 1914, son of Louis Henry Koch and Mabel Henrietta Albrecht. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. X, page 135 and Vol. XXXIV, page 73).

James William Cornelius, who follows under XXX.

XIX

Hamlyn Thiedeman, born 12th August 1887, married Celia Pereira, 14th May 1915, and he had by her:—

- 1 George, born 11th November 1916.
- 2 Philip Frank, born 10th July 1922.
- 3 Joseph Anthony, born 28th April 1927.

XX

Frank Trevelyan Thiedeman, born 10th December 1888, married in All Saints' Church, Galle, 27th January 1913, Alice Mabel Theile. He had by her:—

1 Noeline Freda, born 22nd December 1916.

XXI

Charles Annesley Allanson Thiedeman, Office Assistant, Messrs. Bosanquet and Skrine, Limited, born 21st September 1894, married:

(a) In St. Luke's Church, Ratnapura, 21st December 1917, Rachel Violetta McGowan, born 25th November 1894, died 14th June 1926, daughter of Samuel McGowan and Eugenie Joslin Ball.

(b) In the Methodist Church, Kollupitiya, 30th May 1931, Kathleen Irene McGowan, born 15th November 1890,

sister of (a) supra.

Of the first marriage, he had:—

- 1 Carl Basil Donald, born 20th September 1918, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya, 30th January 1943, Stephanie Constance Ernst, born 25th June 1917, daughter of Vivian Bernard Ernst and Maud Beling.
- Edwin Allanson Noel, born 4th April 1921, died 18th January 1922.
- 3 Annesley Hugh, born 6th January 1926.

XXII

Guy Sherlock Goldstuker Thiedeman, born 21st July 1899, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya, 5th October 1929, Lena Agnes Pearl Varney, born 14th August 1908, daughter of Percival Edward Varney and Mary Ethel Rudolph. He had by her:—

1 Brian Edward James Goldstuker, born 19th June 1930.

Ronald Sherlock, born 19th January 1932.

- 3 Yvonne Noble Lena, born 10th November 1933.
- 4 Shirley Noeline Rita, born 2nd December 1935. 5 Guy Ronald Ian, born 16th November 1938.
- 6 Pearl Argina, born 14th October 1939.
- 7 Magnolia Annabel, born 3rd June 1941.
- 8 Deanna Averil born 3rd August 1943.
- 9 Patrick Arnold, born 22nd April 1945.

XXIII

John Redaelwal Herbert Thiedeman, born 24th November 1910, married 8th August 1936, Sheila Elizabeth Pinder, born 6th April 1921. He had by her:—

- 1 Dawne Mariana Elizabeth, born 14th June 1937.
- 2 Averil Aloma, born 20th December 1939.
- 3 John Tyrone, born 2nd December 1943.
- 4 Carmen Francesca, born 8th August 1946.

XXIV

Frederick Vere Thiedeman, born 26th June 1918, married 26th June 1940, Dulcie Miriam Isabel Estrop, born 19th April 1919. He had by her:—

1 Frederick Walrond, born 7th November 1946.

XXV

James Richard Carlyle Thiedeman, born 9th February 1910, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya, 13th April 1940, Doreen Amabelle Cleopatra de Zilva Van Twest, born 17th July 1914, daughter of Edgar Daniel de Zilva Van Twest and Elizabeth Victoria Ruth Altendorff. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, page 104.) He had by her:—

- 1 Pamela Ruth, born 6th February 1941.
- 2 Arlene Rae, born 9th April 1942.
- Penelope Anne, born 26th June 1946.

XXVI

Eardley John Harwood Thiedeman, born 1st February 1919, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya, 13th June 1945, Barbara Olga Bogaars, born 29th January 1926, daughter of Clarence Edwin Bogaars and Violet Gladys Woth. He had by her:—

1 Jeffery Graham Clarence, born 12th May 1946.

XXVII

William Benjamin Viirc Thiedeman, born 10th September 1917, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya, 21st November 1942, Doreen Vivienne Claessen, born 31st December 1918, daughter of Basil Norman Claessen, Surveyor, Harbour Engineer's Department, and Vivienne Ada de Zilva. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXV, page 121). He had by her:—

1 Benjamin Norman, born 26th January 1946.

XXVIII

Frederick Samuel Thiedeman, born 9th February 1910, married at Colombo, 19th February 1936, Gwenetta Eileen Merle Jansz, born 11th February 1910, daughter of Hilton Arnold Poulier Jansz and Elsia May Deutrom. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXI, page 66). He had by her:—

1 Jeanne Valerie May, born 19th April 1939.

XXIX

Maurice Walter Buchan Thiedeman, Inspector of Police, born 10th October 1911, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Bambalapitiya, 10th March 1937, Elaine Muriel Deutrom, born 7th September 1917, daughter of Walrond Dumeresq Deutrom and Edith Muriel Raffel. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXI, pages 68 and 69). He had by her:—

- 1 Judith Coral Muriel Noble, born 7th September 1938.
- 2 Maurice Walrond Buchan, born 20th January 1943.

XXX

James William Cornelius (Neil) Thiedeman, born 4th December 1916, married in St. Mary's Church, Matara, 16th September 1941, Albertha Winifred de Niese, born 12th October 1917, daughter of James Dunstan de Niese, Surveyor and Lena Violet Ernst. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, page 92). He had by her:—

- 1 Leo Dunstan Conrad, born 17th August 1942.
- 2 Peter Alan, born 18th January 1944
- 3 Mary Heather, born 5th June, 1946.
- Notes:—(1) Fredrik Wilhelmus Sauer and Wilhelmińa Cornelia Thiedeman, referred to under IV, 2 were parents of John Joseph, born 21st April 1809, and of Maria Magdalena born 31st July 1811, who were baptised in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal.

- (2) Sophia Elizabeth de Bondt, widow of Nicolaas Adrianus Thiedeman, referred to under V, received assistance from a remittance sent in 1847 by the Government of the Netherlands possession in the East Indies for the relief of widows and orphans of the servants of the late Dutch Government, who were not already in the receipt of any pension from Government. ("Government notification" dated 17th July 1847.)
- (3) John James Thiedeman, referred to under VIII, was fourth master in the Colombo Academy with Frederick Dornhorst coming next to him, when the Reverend Dr. Barcroft Boake was Principal of the Institution. (D.B.U. Journal. Vol. XXXVI, page 91.) Later, John James Thiedeman served in the Police Department as Inspector).
 (4) Harwood Arnold Kelaart, referred to under XVI, was awarded the Imperial Service Medal for long and faithful service in the Harbour Police at Colombo.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

Proceedings of the 40th Annual General Meeting of the Dutch Burgher Union, held in the Union Hall on Saturday, 20th March, 1948, at 6 p.m. In the absence of the President, Dr. V. R. Schokman, on furlough in England, Mr. Kenneth de Kretser was voted to the Chair.

- 1. The Honorary Secretary read the notice convening the meeting.
- 2. The distribution of prizes in connection with the Sinhalese Examination and the Billiard Tournament then took place, after which the minutes of the last Annual General Meeting were read and confirmed.
- 3. The Chairman moved the adoption of the report and accounts, and in the course of his remarks he read a message addressed to the members of the Union by Dr. Schokman, written on board the s.s. Canton, regretting his absence, and dealing with the work of the Union during the past year. After a few members had offered comments, the motion for the adoption of the Report and Accounts was deferred for a later date, pending the report of a Sub-Committee appointed to look into certain matters that required elucidation.
- 4. The election of Office-Bearers was then proceeded with. Dr. V. R. Schokman was re-elected President and Mr. Ivor Misso and Mr. Cecil Ferdinands were appointed Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer respectively.
- 5. The following motion, proposed by Dr. Sam de Vos, was passed by a large majority:—
- "That the monthly subscription for Colombo members be raised from Rs. 150 to Rs. 2 per month.
- "In rule 6 (c), at the top of page 8 in the printed Rules under Members resident within Colombo Municipal limits,' delete the figures Rs. 1.50 and insert Rs. 2.
- "In rule 6 (c) para 3, delete the figures 'Rs. 1'50' and insert 'Rs. 2'."

The new rules will take effect from 1st April 1948.

6. The following members were appointed to serve on the General Committee:—

Colombo: Mr. D. V. Altendorff, I.S.O., Mr. L. E. Blaze, O.B.E., Mr. R. L. Brohier, Dr. F. E. R. Bartholomeusz, Dr. J. R. Blaze, Mr. C. P. Brohier, Mr. B. R. Blaze, Dr. H. S. Christoffelsz, Mr. F. C. van Cuylenburg, Mr. H. vanden Driesen, Dr. H. A. Direkze, Messrs. C. E. Foenander, L. L. Hunter, D. Jansze, A. E. Keuneman, K.C., H. K. de Kretser, H. E. S. de Kretser, F. E. Loos, W. J. F. La Brooy,

W. J. A. van Langenberg, C. C. Schokman, C. A. Speldewinde, L. E. H. Schokman, E. A. vander Straaten, 1.8.o., Dr. R. L. Spittel, C.B.R., Dr. H. E. Schokman, Mr. J. R. Toussaint, Mr. L. Thomasz, Dr. Sam de Vos, Mr. Fred Loos.

Outstation: Dr. V. H. L. Anthonisz, Dr. Eric Brohier, Mr. A. E. Buultjens, Mr. Frank Ernst, Mr. A. L. B. Ferdinand, Mr. E. G. Jonklaas, Col. A. C. B. Jonklaas, Mr. O. L. de Kretser (Sr.), Mr. O. L. de Kretser (Jr.), Mr. V. C. Kelaart, Mr. H. R. Kriekenbeek, Dr. N. Kelaart, Dr. H. Ludovici, Mr. Wace de Niese, Mr. F. W. E. de Vos.

- 7. Messrs. Satchithananda, Schokman and de Silva were reappointed Auditors.
- 8. At the close of the meeting a collection was taken in aid of the Social Service Fund, after which the General Committee was "At Home" to the members.

Fortieth Annual Report

Your Committee has much pleasure in submitting the following Reports:—

MEMBERSHIP:—The number of Members on the roll at the end of the year under review was 542 as compared with 560 at the end of 1946.

As at 1st January 1947 Add new Members joined in	n 1947	$\begin{array}{c} 5 \\ 22 \end{array}$	560	
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GENERAL COMMITTEE:—Twelve Monthly Meetings and one Special Meeting were held during the year with an average attendance of 15 Members.

STANDING COMMITTEE FOR ETHICAL AND LITERARY PURPOSES:—Six Meetings were held during the year with an average attendance of 4 Members.

Lectures on the following subjects were delivered:-

- 1. "Impressions on a visit to Europe" by Mr. H. A. J. Hulugalle.
- 2. "Spotlight on Palestine" by the Hon. Mr. Alan Rose.
- 3. "Minorities and the Mass Mind" by the Rev. Clifford Wilson.
- 4. "Some notes of conditions in and around Perth, Australia" by Mr. C. W. W. Wilkins.
- 5. "What use the vote?" by Mr. J. P. de Fonseka.
- 6. "Some Aspects of the New Constitution" by the Hon'ble Sir Charles Collins, c.m.g.
- 7. "The Future of Asia" by Mr. V. V. Giri.
- 8. "Are Women mentally different from Men?" by Mr. A. M. K. Cumaraswamy.
- 9. "English as a Medium of Expression" by the Rev. Clifford Wilson,

The attendance at the lectures was larger than usual.

THE JOURNAL:—The Journal continued to be issued quarterly during the year under review, but in view of the high cost of printing and the gradually decreasing number of subscribers, who now number only about 75, the question as to how the situation could be met was considered by the Committee. It was decided, as a temporary measure, to issue the Journal half-yearly instead of quarterly and to reduce the number of copies printed. It is regrettable that matters should have arrived at this sorry pass, for the Journal is as old as the Union and has been issued almost uninterruptedly for the last forty years, for the greater part of this time as a quarterly publication. The small sum of Rs. 5/- charged as the annual subscription should be within the means of nearly every member of the Union, and it is hoped that there will soon be an accession of new subscribers, thus obviating the necessity for adopting any measure of retrenchment. Genealogies continued to be a feature of the Journal, and for this we are much indebted to the industry of Mr. D. V. Altendorff. The value of these genealogies has been strikingly exemplified by recent events.

THE BULLETIN—was issued regularly and contained, in addition to the usual routine matter, a few articles from Members on current topics. More articles of this nature will be appreciated.

STANDING COMMITTEE FOR PURPOSES OF SOCIAL SERVICE:—
Ten Meetings were held with an average attendance of six members. The Receipts for the year amounted to Rs. 2,450'85 and included a grant of Rs. 520/- from the Public Assistance Committee.

Regular financial assistance was given monthly to 25 persons, while a sum of Rs. 437 04 was expended on hampers, which were distributed at a Christmas treat given on the 23rd December. About 100 adults and children attended and thoroughly enjoyed the entertainment provided. Old clothes and toys were also given away. The thanks of the Union are due to those who gave donations towards this Christmas treat.

STANDING COMMITTEE FOR GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH:—Nine meetings were held with an average attendance of five members. Twenty-four applications for membership were considered.

STANDING COMMITTEE FOR SOCIAL RECREATION, ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORT:—Eleven meetings were held with an average attendance of eight members. The following functions were held in 1947:—

- 1. St. Valentine's Dance in February
- 2. Exhibition Billiard Match in March
- 3. Supper Dance in August
- 4. Founder's Day in October
- 5. Childrens' Concert in October
- 6. Dance in November
- 7. Christmas Day Dance
- 8. New Years' Eve Dance.

BILLIARDS:—The Billiard tables continue to be popular. 19 competitors participated in the 1947 Billiards Tournament which was won by Mr. G. A. H. Wille (jr); Mr. L. V. Koch was runner up.

SNOOKERS AND RUSSIAN POOL WINNERS:—Mr. G. A. H. Wille and Dr. C. L. S. Ferdinands respectively.

THE CONTRACT BRIDGE GROUP:—In December a successful Duplicate Pairs contest was held. This helped to stimulate interest, with the result that a large number of members have signified their readiness to attend regular duplicate bridge practices and similar tournaments are to be a regular quarterly feature of our programme. It is also hoped to provide more varied interest and to arrange team contests with other Social Clubs.

STANDING COMMITTEE FOR INCREASING OF MEMBERSHIP:—
This Committee did not meet during 1947. Many of those who joined during the year were introduced by members of this Committee.

STANDING COMMITTEE FOR HISTORICAL MANUSCRIPTS AND MONUMENTS:—This Committee did not meet. Representations had been made to the Government Agent, Eastern Province, urging that

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suitable action be taken to safeguard the monuments and tombstones which the Batticaloa Urban Council proposed transferring from the old Dutch Cemetery to the cemetery now in use.

SUB-COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE OF SHARES IN D.B.U. BUILD-INGS COMPANY LTD: This Sub-committee did not meet during the year. The Union owns 151 shares in the Buildings Company and in addition holds in trust for the Education Fund 18 shares and for the Social Service Fund 29 shares, making a grand total of 198 shares.

EDUCATION:—Ten meetings were held during the year with an average attendance of six members. A Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year in respect of the Education Fund from which all normal grants and current expenditure are met is published with this report.*

As compared with last year there was a slight increase in the total subscriptions received from Rs. 1,236 75 to Rs. 1,295 25, but there was a fall in the number of subscribers from 52 to 40.

The fees or part fees of 18 children (as compared with 17 in 1946) were paid during the year. The increase in expenditure on the Sinhalese Prize Examination was due to the increase in the number of candidates and the fact that the examination was conducted in three divisions. The examination which was held in December 1947 attracted 58 entries. It is disappointing to note that only 16 were from children of members of the Union.

An Elocution contest open only to children of members of the Union was held in January 1947. The support was poor. But the standard was high.

During the year two students were helped from the Reserve for Higher Education to the extent of Rs. 265/-, and Rs. 90/- was spent from the Speldewinde Trust Fund in maintaining a student at the Wellawatte Industrial School.

ST. NICOLAAS' EVE FETE: This function attracted a very large number of members; 253 children received gifts. The Police Band and a record amplifier supplied the music. Rs. 1.760 75 was received. by subscription and Rs. 1:598'34 expended.

ST. NICOLAAS' HOME FUND:—Ten meetings were held during the vear with an average attendance of five members. A sum of Rs. 10.433/- was subscribed by members, including Rs. 6.700/- from the Carnival, making a grand total of Rs. 31,58772.

CARNIVAL:—A Carnival was organised on the 4th and 5th July; proceeds were in aid of the St. Nicolaas Home Fund, and the Education and Social Service Funds. The Officer-Administering the Government

opened the Carnival on the first day and the Mavor on the second day. This was a great success. The thanks of the Union are due to all those who helped to organise this Carnival.

FINANCE:—Eleven meetings were held with an average attendance of eight members. The excess of Expenditure over Income was Rs. 165'34.

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Hony, Secretary.

ADDENDUM: DR. DE HOEDT MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND: Your Committee has pleasure in submitting for your information the following report received from the Trustees of the Fund:-

The balance at credit in the Bank on the 31st December 1947 was Rs. 2.442'48.

A sum of Rs. 15,000/- was invested in Ceylon Government 3% Defence Loan.

Rs. 122 50 was paid out for the purchase of medical books for students.

NEWS AND NOTES

Summary of Proceedings of the General Committee-20th January, 1948:-(1) The amount to the credit of the St. Nicolaas' Home Fund on 31st December, 1947, was reported to be Rs. 31,430 40. (2) It was reported that a vacant Schneider Scholarship at St. Thomas' College would be awarded either to David Meier or James Anthoniz. (3) Mr. G. W. N. Hepponstall was readmitted as a member of the Union.

3rd February, 1948:—A letter from the Prime Minister was tabled, and it was resolved (a) that the Union would be pleased to extend Honorary Membership to all distinguished guests arriving for the Independence Celebrations, during their stay in the Island and (2) that the members of the Union would be honoured to meet and establish social contact with them at informal functions on two dates suitable to and notified by them.

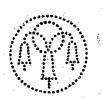
17th February 1948:-(1) A vote of condolence was passed on the death of Mr. Rudolph Schokman. (2) The balance to the credit of the St. Nicolaas' Home Fund on 31st January, 1948, was reported to be Rs. 31,587.72. (3) Mrs. R. L. Parsons and Mr. T. K. Toussaint were admitted as members of the Union. (4) It was decided to entertain the Prime Minister and the members of his Cabinet to tea at an early date.

1st March 1948: - Considered a letter from Mr. W. J. A. Van-Langenberg suggesting the separation of the Union from the Club and opening the latter section to members of other communities also. After discussion, Mr. VanLangenberg agreed to an informal discussion by members at a later date before consideration by the General Committee.

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Obituary:—The death of Mr. A. E. Direckze has deprived the Union of a very loyal member. Besides being a member of the General Committee, he also served on the Social Service Committee, a branch of work in which he was specially interested, and he did very useful service in this sphere. He was a warm supporter of the Journal and helped in all the other activities of the Union.

Another member whose death we have to record is Mr. Rudolph Schokman. Although he had not been a member for very long, he evinced much interest in the work of the Union during his connection with it.



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