

GENEALOGY OF THE FAMILY OF ALBRECHT OF CEYLON.

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I.

Christiaan Valantyn Albrecht of Leyden, Resident at Ponnerail in 1794, born 14th March 1759, married in Amsterdam, Petronella Wilhelmina Vander Sprikel, born 22nd July 1767, and he had by her:—

- 1 Elisabeth Johanna, born 23rd November 1797, married J. C. Smith of Tutucorin.
- 2 Christian Edward, who follows under II.

II.

Christian Edward Albrecht, born 5th December 1808, married:—

- (a) In the Dutch Reformed Church, Jaffna, 26th June 1884, Dorothea Constantia Maartensz, born 1814, daughter of Johannes Alexander Maartensz and Susanna Elisabeth Hester Moovart. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. II, page 31, and Vol. XXXIII, pages 39 and 40.)
- (b) In the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 19th April 1843, Johanna Carolina Woutersz, born 28th January 1816, daughter of Adrianus Jacobus Woutersz and Anna Engelina Wolvendaal.

Of the second marriage, he had:—

- 1 Christian Edward, who follows under III.

III.

Christian Edward Albrecht, born 5th January 1844, died 5th June 1907, married in the Methodist Church, Jaffna 26th August 1867, Sarah Caroline Gratiaen, born 8th April 1844, died 30th January 1907, daughter of Johan Gerard Gratiaen and Eliza Eva Petronella Koch. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. VI, pages 18, 84 and 128.) He had by her:—

- 1 Christian Edward, who follows under IV.
- 2 Ernest Llewellyn, who follows under V.
- 3 Rose Caroline, born 4th May 1872, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 4th September 1901, Allanson Percival Schokman, born 12th December, 1877, son of Cecil Ernest Schokman and Lydia Eleanor de Vos. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXV, pages 114 and 119, and Vol. XXVII, page 140).
- 4 Lillian Eva Charlotte, born 29th November 1873.
- 5 Ethel Alexandra, born 18th September 1875, married in St. Michael's and All Angels' Church, Colombo, 8th June 1898, Dionysius (Denis) Edward Keegel, born 15th August 1867, died 1st August 1938, son of Pieter Liebert Keegel and Anna Matilda de Zilva. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXVII, pages 116 and 118).
- 6 John Garret Gratiaen died young.

7 Mabel Henrietta, born 7th September 1878, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 5th December 1900, Louis Henry Koch, born, 6th March 1867, died 5th October 1918, son of James Frederick Koch and Elizabeth Dorothea Koch. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. X, pages 129, 131 and 135).

8 Frances Cecilia, born 27th March 1880, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 28th July 1902, Cyril Arthur Pompeus Vander Straaten, born, 14th March 1873, died 21st April 1919, son of Edmund Arthur Vander Straaten and Drusilla Schokman. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, pages 161 and 162, and Vol. XXV, page 107).

9 Randolph Neviuson, born 23rd June 1885, married in the Scots Kirk, Kuala Lumpur, F.M.S., Lia Toussaint, born 12th January 1886, daughter of Colin Henry Toussaint and Frances Weinman. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. IV, page 39).

IV.

Christian Edward Albrecht, born 12th July 1868, died 14th July 1943, married in Christ Church Cathedral, Colombo, 27th May 1895, Delia Manon Hoffman, born 3rd November 1868, died 10th June 1939, daughter of Arthur Philip Hoffman and Alice Zarella Driberg. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXIV, page 11). He had by her:—

- 1 Christobel Manon, born 5th May 1897, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagriya, 1st October 1927, Walter Denis de Vos, born 28th May 1885, died 2nd November 1931, son of Henry Walter de Vos and Mary Emily Ginger. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXVII, pages 147 and 150).
- 2 Ethel Gladys, born 6th June 1898, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagriya, 27th December 1920, Neil Schokman, born 13th June 1894, son of Edward Nathaniel Schokman and Hester Ann Ginger. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXV, pages 113 and 118).
- 3 Doreen, born 20th, June 1899.
- 4 Christian Edward, born 26th September 1900, married 25th September 1926, May Eleanor Bartholomeusz nee Anthonisz, born 12th April 1897, daughter of George Edward Anthonisz and Lydia Maud Bogaars.
- 5 Ruth Carmen, born 7th May 1902, died 26th February 1904.
- 6 Earle Philip, who follows under VI.
- 7 Ellis Arthur, who follows under VII.

V.

Ernest Llewellyn Albrecht, born 14th September 1870, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 5th February 1896, Elsie Florence Vander Straaten, born 30th August 1874, daughter of Edmund Arthur Vander Straaten and Drusilla Schokman. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, pages 161 and 162, and Vol. XXV, page 107). He had by her:—

- 1 Ernest Noel Vander Straaten, born 17th December 1897, married in St. Michael's and All Angels' Church, Colombo, 20th

December 1930, Clarice Muriel Rode, born 26th August 1897, daughter of Garret Arnold Rode, and Clotilda Lucy Siegestra (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIX, page 110).

- 2 Edward Arthur Llewellyn, who follows under VIII.
- 3 Douglas Lindsay, born 24th November 1903.
- 4 Elsie Inez Vivienne, born 28th December 1905, married in St. Lucia's Cathedral, Kotahena, 30th December 1924, Frederick Alroy Rodrigue.
- 5 Frederick Herbert Willem, who follows under IX.
- 6 George Mervyn, born 10th September 1910.
- 7 Helen Anabel, born 19th January 1913.
- 8 Ernest Eustace Ralph, born 8th August 1916.

VI.

Earle Philip Albrecht, born 17th September 1904, married in St. Michael's and All Angels' Church, Colombo, 31st December 1930, Helen Gladys Gray, born 12th September 1905, daughter of William Anderson Gray and Sarah Joseline Rode. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIX, page 106). He had by her:—

- 1 Helen Gladys, born 11th October 1931.
- 2 Earle Philip Valentine, born 11th May 1933.
- 3 Earline Peggy, born 6th October 1935.

VII.

Ellis Arthur Albrecht, born 24th November 1906, married in St. Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore, 26th December 1936, Louise Esther Alvis, born 27th August 1909, daughter of Lawrence Justin Daniel Alvis and Augusta Mabel Hoffman. He had by her:—

- 1 Jerome, born 4th August 1940, died 31st December 1941.
- 2 Roger, born 28th March 1943.

VIII.

Edward Arthur Llewellyn Albrecht, born 4th May 1900, married in West Australia 21st May 1923, Marjorie Gillard, born 8th December 1899, and he had by her:—

- 1 Barbara Ray, born 23rd August 1924.
- 2 Peter Lyn, born 20th March 1930.

IX.

Frederick Herbert Willem Albrecht, born 12th September 1908, married in St. Paul's Church, Malagasy, 7th November 1936, Lorna Blanche Camille Jansz, born 2nd May 1908, daughter of Arthur Harris Jansz and Ethel Mary Radlich. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, page 140). He had by her:—

- 1 Diana Valerie, born 15th March 1940.
- 2 Elsie Kathleen, born 30th August 1943.

AN ACCOUNT OF CEYLON.

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(Continued from page 60 of the issue for October 1944).

We now are to touch on the glory of Ceylon, perhaps of the vegetable kingdom. The *Laurus Cinnamomum*, Burman Zeyl. tab 27, Raü. Hist. Pl. ii. 1554 to 1563, Woodville, i. 80, Gerard, 1582. This is an elegant species of laurel that grows to the height of twenty feet; the flowers small, and of a yellowish colour: the fruit pulpy, with an oblong stone.

This valuable tree grows in greater quantity in the isle of Ceylon, than any other place. It grows wild in the woods, without any culture: every province does not possess it, there is none in Jaffnapatam, nor Manaar, but abound in most of the internal parts, and about Negambo and Galle. A pigeon, I think the Pumpadour, Brown's illustration, 13, is the species, which, by carrying the fruit to different places, is a great disseminator of this valuable tree. I do not believe it to be peculiar to this island; but the bark is infinitely superior in quality to any other. Botanists enumerate numbers of kinds, but they only vary being taken from trees of different ages, or growing in different soils, and situations. It may be found in Malabar, Sumatra, &c. but is depreciated by another name, *Cassia*, and *Canalla*, to our unspeakable loss; *Cinnamomum* was a more dignified name. The ancients speak of it under that title, in such high terms, that the Dutch wisely retained the name, which gave it greater respectability. Our countryman, the late Taylor White, Esq. in Ph. Trans. Vol. 1. p. 860, and Mr. Combes, resident in Sumatra, in page 873, are entirely of opinion, that *Cinnamomum* and *Cassia* do not specially differ. Mr. White's account is accompanied with some very good figures of the leaves of the former.

The celebrated bark is the inner, and is reckoned the most perfect when taken from trees of seven or eight years old, if they grow in a wet slimy soil; but those which grow in the warm white sand of the vallies, come to maturity in five years. Seba says, that the ages of the trees are fourteen, fifteen, or sixteen years. It is the heat which gives the bark that quilled form in which it comes over to us, especially the smaller and more delicate sort, which is taken from the smaller branches. The bark is first freed from the external coat, when it is on the trees; is then cut lengthways, stripped off, dried in the sand, and so becomes merchantable.

The barkers of cinnamon are brought up to the trade, and are called *Chalisses*. The account given by Mr. Echelskroon of the management, is most authentic; from him I shall transcribe what will be highly satisfactory to the readers. At page 339 of Wolfe's account of the isle of Ceylon he begins thus:—

"The time for barking the tree commences in the months of June and July, and sometimes even in August: now as soon as they come out of their villages for that purpose, every district sends a detachment of Dutch soldiers, and another composed of the natives