

Now the Burgher community, as required by its comparatively small size, must aim at a future, not political, but essentially social. The anticipation of a better social future is of vital importance to the very existence of the Burghers as a community. Woe indeed to the community if it dares to assume that it has reached its social zenith, and that it can accomplish or attempt no more!

If we would not show ourselves utterly unworthy of the traditions of the past, of our Dutch ancestry, let us free ourselves from the apathy with which we receive the efforts of the more enthusiastic among us, and let us foster mutuality of trust and co-operation among ourselves, gladly submitting to the self-sacrifice which all such efforts necessarily demand of those who make them, and always recognising that if the Union is a failure or a success—

“On our own heads, in our own hands,
The sin or the saving lies.”

GENEALOGY OF THE FAMILY OF BELING OF CEYLON.

COMPILED BY MR. F. H. DE VOS.

I.

Willem Carl Beling of Aurich m. at Colombo 30 November 1766
Maria Regina Swartskop bap. at Colombo 20 July 1747, d. of
Philip Christoffel Swartskop and *Elizabeth Rodriguez*. He had
by her:—

- I. *Maria Francina Beling* bap. at Colombo 6 November 1768,
m. at Colombo 10 October 1790 *Gustaaf Willem Gambs*
of Colombo.
- II. *Christiaan Anthon Beling* (who follows under II).

II.

Christiaan Anthon Beling, assistant, bap. at Colombo 6 September 1772, m. at Colombo 8 October 1796 *Anna Petronella Schaak*
bap. at Colombo 21 March 1784 d. of *Gerrit Schaak* and *Johanna Elizabeth Dieme*. He had by her:—

- I. *Emilia Gertruida Beling* bap. at Colombo 2 May 1802.
- II. *Petronella Adriana Beling* bap. at Colombo 14 April 1805.
- III. *Carl Ferdinand Christoffel Beling* (who follows under III).
- IV. *Willem Christiaan Beling* (who follows under IV).

III.

Carl Ferdinand Christoffel Beling b. at Colombo 17 February 1808, bap. there 13 March 1808, died 6 September 1854, m. 28 October 1839 *Antoinette Helena van der Straaten*, died 7 April 1868. He had by her:—

- I. *William Wright Beling* (who follows under V).
- II. *Francis James Beling*.
- III. *Josephine Maria Beling* m. 17 December 1866 *Lawrence Adolphus Stork*.
- IV. *Catharine Susan Beling* b. 5 January 1849, died 9 December 1900.
- V. *Charles Gualterus Beling* (who follows under VI).

IV.

Willem Christiaan Beling b. at Colombo 16 October 1810, bap. there 16 December 1810, died 23 June 1859, m. *Maria Petronella Ferdinands* d. of *Solomon John Ferdinands* and *Elizabeth Cornelia Kellens*. He had by her:—

- I. *Emelia Henrietta Beling* b. 23 September 1836.
- II. *Georgiana Maria Beling* b. 7 June 1838.
- III. *William Michael Beling* b. 2 May 1840.
- IV. *Charles Henry Beling* b. 24 September 1841.
- V. *John Henry Beling* b. 10 November 1842.
- VI. *Frederick Edward Beling* b. 20 September 1845.
- VII. *Charlotte Polina Beling* b. 4 April 1847.
- VIII. *William Frederick Beling* b. 8 November 1848.
- IX. *Edward Clement Beling* b. 24 July 1850.

V.

William Wright Beling b. 5 March 1841, died 9 August 1894, m. 1 February 1864 *Maria Elizabeth Prins* b. 20 April 1841, died 4 January 1888. He had by her:—

- I. *Henry Prins Beling* b. 12 December 1864, m. 7 June 1900, *Ellen Gertrude de Kretser* b. 29 May 1878.
- II. *William Wright Beling* (who follows under VII).
- III. *Leopold Charles Carmichael Beling* b. 27 September 1869, m. *Isabel Dowley* of New York.
- IV. *Ulrica Antoinette Amelia Trant Beling* b. 18 July 1871, m. 10 October 1895 *Walter Horace Schokman* b. 4 August 1867.
- V. *Christopher Charles Beling* b. 4 April 1873.
- VI. *Jessie Alexandra Maria Beling* b. 1 December 1874, m. 16 December 1896 *Edgar Allan Garvin van der Straaten* b. 31 March 1871.
- VII. *Antoinette Aileen Beling*, b. 8 November 1876, m. 13 September 1899 *Dr. Colvin Thomas van Geyzel*.
- VIII. *Æliam Arnold Beling* b. 31 December 1879.

VI.

Charles Gualterus Beling b. 21 March 1852, m. 9 January 1882 *Anna Amelia Brook* b. 25 June 1857, d. of *Edmund George Brook* and *Henrietta Caroline Roosmalecoq* (widow *White*). He had by her:—

- I. *Charles Denzil Beling* b. 12 November 1882.
- II. *Edmund Hugh Beling* b. 13 April 1884.
- III. *Claude Norman Beling* b. 30 October 1886, died 6 November 1888.
- IV. *Reginald Stanley Beling* b. 6 October 1889.
- V. *Hilda Margaret Antoinette Beling*.

VII.

William Wright Beling b. 31 December 1867, m. (1) 23 February 1897 *Charlotte Eliza Conderlag* and (2) *Nelly Swan*.—

Of the first marriage:—

- I. *William Wright Beling* b. 25 July 1898.
- II. *Christopher Lorenz Beling* b. 23 September 1900.
- III. *Blanche Amybel Beling* b. 12 March 1902.