GENEALOGY OF THE SPROULE FAMILY OF CEYLON.

I.

William Bernard Sproule of Drogheda in Ireland was in the British Army as a Regimental Schoolmaster, and subsequently he was an Assistant Master in the Academy in Colombo. He married in Holy Trinity Church, Colombo, 11th March 1841, Mary Anne Hoffman, and had by her:

1. James Hugh, who follows under II.
2. Mary Anne Lucy, born 5th February 1845, married Reverend Crampton and left the Island.

James Hugh Sproule, Proctor, born 30th March 1843, died 15th December 1907, married in Holy Trinity Church, Colombo, 4th January 1866, Gertrude Arabella Piercy, born 30th May 1844, died 30th November 1903, daughter of Thomas Andrea Piercy, Assistant Colonial Surgeon, Civil Medical Department, and Bella Emelina Siers. He had by her:

2. Constance Evelyn, born 10th March 1869, married in St. Paul's Church, Kandy, Henry Kriekenbeek Keyt, M.D. (Aber.) Colonial Surgeon, Civil Medical Department, and Henrietta Elizabeth Kriekenbeek.
5. Percy Julian, B.A., B.L., Puisne Justice, Supreme Court, Straits Settlements, born 4th December 1873, married in St. Mary's Church, Beddington, Surrey, 18th October 1902, Alice Graburn.
6. Frank William, who follows under III.
8. Edward Cyril Lambert, who follows under IV.


1. James Hugh, who follows under V.
2. Thomas Ian, born 30th June 1916, killed in an air-raid in London, 8th March 1941.
3. Edward Cyril Lambert, who follows under IV.
4. Ernest Elton Lambert, born 7th July 1920, died 19th October 1922.

James Hugh (Hamish) Sproule, L.M.S. (Ceylon), L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S. (Lond), born 9th March 1909, married in St. Michael's and All Angels' Church, Colombo, 17th June 1907, Minnie Treherne Cooke, born 4th February 1884, died 27th November 1942, daughter of Nathaniel Ernest Cooke, B.A. (Cantab.), Barrister-at-Law, Crown Counsel, and Grace Treherne de Saram. He had by her:

2. Patrick Cyril Bernard, who follows under VI.
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1. Suzanne Isabel, born 19th December 1939.
2. Michael Frederick, born 13th February 1941.
DUTCH BURGHER UNION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

Proceedings of the Thirty-fifth Annual General Meeting of the Dutch Burgher Union, held in the Union Hall on Saturday, 27th March, 1943, at 6-30 p.m.

The President, Mr. H. K. de Kretser, occupied the Chair, and there were about 130 members present.

The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting, after which the minutes of the 34th Annual General Meeting were read and confirmed.

Presidential Address.

The President then addressed the meeting. He reviewed the work of the various Standing Committees and eulogised the services performed by them. He referred to the various outstanding events that had occurred during the year, such as the new circumstances brought about by the War, and the steps taken to meet them, the presence of Dutch visitors and others in our midst, and the affiliation scheme. He emphasised the necessity of the Union keeping more in touch with the outstation members. Finally he paid a tribute to the untiring labours of Mr. C. A. Speldewinde and Mr. E. A. vanderStraaten, I.S.O.

Mr. de Kretser then vacated the Chair and Mr. J. R. Toussaint was proposed to it pro tem.

Election of Office Bearers and Committee.

Mr. J. R. Toussaint proposed the re-election of Mr. H. K. de Kretser as President for the year 1943. He referred to the active part taken by Mr. de Kretser, ably assisted by Mrs. de Kretser, in every branch of the Union’s work, notwithstanding the fact that the year was one of the busiest in the annals of the Union. He expressed his conviction that Mr. de Kretser would do even better during his second term of office. The motion having been seconded by Mr. D. V. Altendorff, I.S.O., and carried with acclamation, Mr. de Kretser re-occupied the Chair and thanked the members for that proof of their confidence in him.

Dr. V. R. Schokman proposed a vote of appreciation of the services of the retiring office-bearers. This was seconded by Mr. D. V. Altendorff and Messrs. Speldewinde and vanderStraaten expressed their thanks.

Dr. V. R. Schokman proposed and Dr. R. L. Spittel seconded the election of Mr. F. R. Loos as Honorary Secretary.

Mr. R. L. Brohier proposed as an amendment the name of Mr. W. J. F. LaBrooy, and this was seconded by Mr. E. A. vanderStraaten I.S.O.

On a show of hands being taken, a majority was found to be in favour of Mr. F. R. Loos, who was accordingly elected Honorary Secretary.

Mr. C. A. Speldewinde proposed and Mr. E. A. vanderStraaten seconded the election of Mr. A. L. B. Ferdinand as Honorary Treasurer.