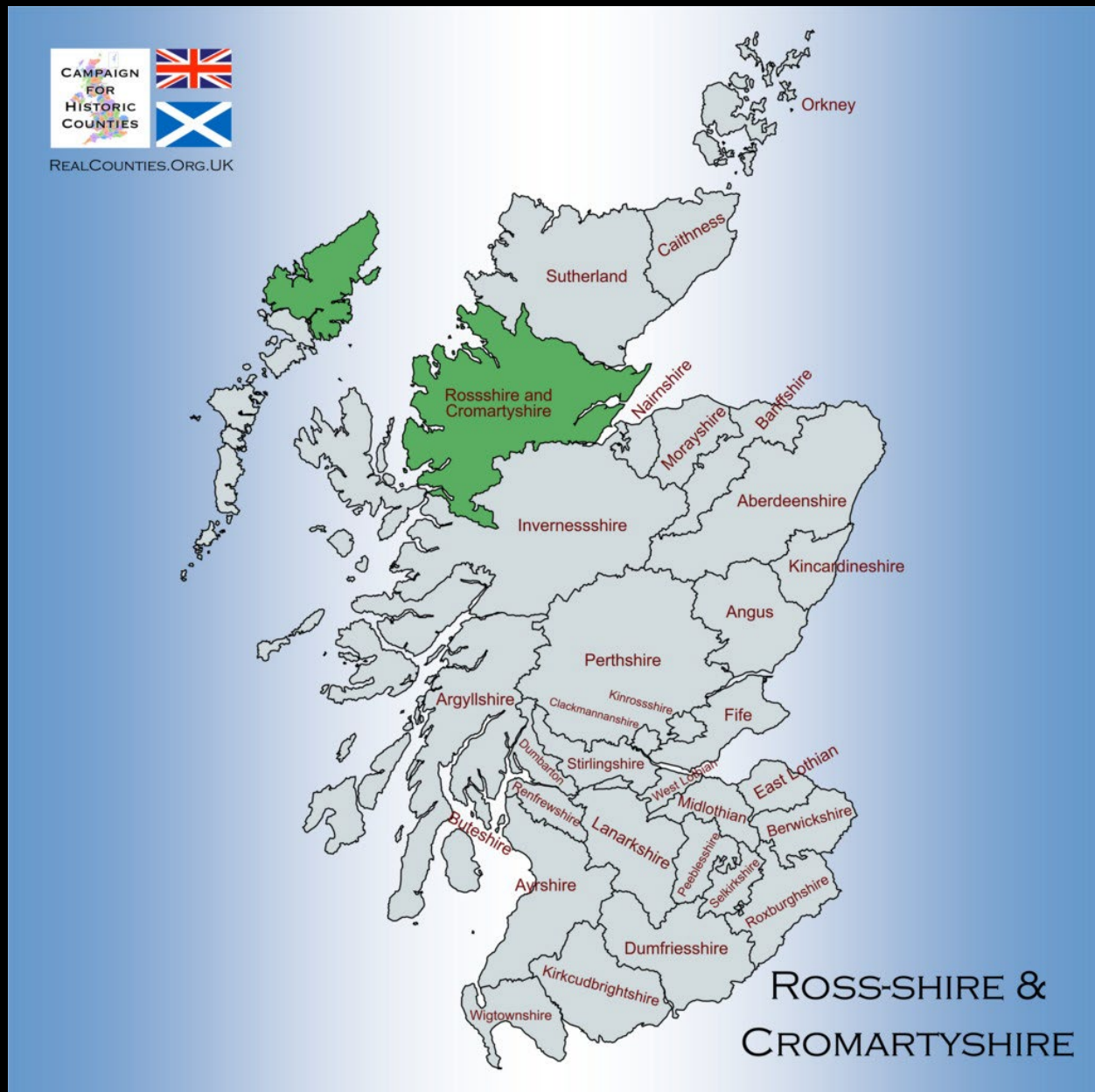


The McCombie Family of Scotland

History about Georgiana H. W. "Com" McCombie and her father
John MacCombie, the newspaper Proprietor and Editor of the Coleraine Chronicle
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The McCombie family

John MacCombie (1825-1904)

Husband to Annie Dawson

1. **JOHN MacCOMBIE** was born ca. 1825 in Resolis, Cromartyshire, Scotland

Father: Alexander McCombie

Mother: Jennet Aird

Resolis parish is located on the Black Isle in Cromartyshire near the eastern shore of Scotland.

Research note:

Both John McCombie's father, Alexander McCombie and uncle, Donald McCombie were born in Kiltarn, Ross and Cromarty, Scotland. Alexander McCombie then went to Newhall in Resolis and was a blacksmith there.



The place they lived at was at Newhall in Resolis parish.

~ midnight 6 June 1841

In 1841, John MCombie was living with his parents, Alexander and Jennet (Aird) MCombie, at Newhall in Resolis, Cromartyshire, Scotland.

His father, Alexander MCombie was a blacksmith.

Jennet Aird was the mother of John. Sometimes in the Scottish censuses, married woman were written down with their maiden last names.

From the 1841 census of Resolis:

Name / Age & Sex / Profession / Whether Born in the same County

Newhall

Alexander MCombie / 50 M / Blacksmith / Y

Jennet Aird / 40 F / ----- / Y

John MCombie / 16 M / ----- / Y

Katharine do. / 14 F / ----- / Y

Gilbert Urquhart / 26 M / Blacksmith J. / Y

Thomas Fraser / 24 M / Blacksmith Ap. / Y

Katharine Aird / 29 F / F. S. / Y

Image of the record:

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~ around March 1850

John M'Combie joined the staff of 'John O'Groat Journal' in around March 1850. This was base on the information given in the 11 July 1851 newspaper article.

The newspaper was located in the northern part of Scotland at Wick, Caithness, Scotland.

~ midnight 30 March 1851

In 1851, "John M. Combie", age 26, was a lodger in the household of William and Ann Georgeson at High Street in Wick, Caithness, Scotland.

He was listed as the Sub Editor and Reporter of the John O'Groat Journal.

From the 1851 census of Wick:

Name / Relationship / Marital status / Age & Sex / Profession / Where Born

High Street

William Georgeson / Head / Mar. / 49 M / Tailor (master employing 2 Men / Caithness; Wattin

Ann D^o / Wife / Mar. / 48 F / ----- / D^o ; Bower

Alex^r. D^o / Son / U. / 18 M / Tailor / D^o ; Wick

Ann D^o / Daur. / U. / 14 F / ----- / D^o ; D^o

Williamma D^o / D^o / U. / 12 F / ----- / D^o ; D^o

William D^o / Son / ---- / 10 M / Scholar / D^o ; D^o

Johan D^o / Daur. / ---- / 6 F / D^o / D^o ; D^o

Charles D^o / Son / ---- / 1 M / ----- / D^o ; D^o

John M. Combie / Lodger / U. / 26 M / Sub Editor & Reporter of J. O. Groat Journal / Rosshire Resolis

Image of part of the record:

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Alex ^r . D ^o	Son	U.	18	Tailor
Ann D ^o	Daur.	U.	14	
Williamma D ^o	D ^o	U.	12	
William D ^o	Son	U.	10	Scholar
Johan D ^o	Daur.	U.	6	D ^o
Charles D ^o	Son	U.	1	
John M. Combie	Lodger	U.	26	Sub-Editor & Reporter of J. O. Groat Journal

~ 6 June 1851

The earliest mentioning found so far on Mr. J. M'Combie being at the John O'Groat Journal at Wick, Caithness, Scotland.

From the newspaper, John o' Groat Journal, Friday 6 June 1851:

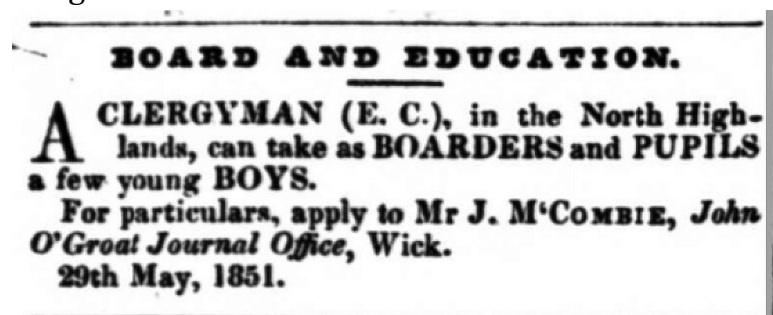
BOARD AND EDUCATION.

A Clergyman (E. C.), in the North Highlands, can take as Boarders and Pupils a few young boys.

For particulars, apply to Mr. J. M'Combie, John O'Groat Journal Office, Wick.

29th May, 1851.

Image of the advertisement:



~ 11 July 1851

John M'Combie was treated with a farewell dinner at Mrs. Duell's Coffee-House in Wick, Caithness, Scotland.

The staff of the 'John O'Groat Journal' praised his character while he was at that paper.

From the newspaper, John o' Groat Journal, Friday 11 July 1851:

FAREWELL SUPPER. --- On the evening of the 3rd instant the printers and others connected with the 'John O'Groat Journal' Office entertained Mr John M'Combie at supper, in Mrs Doull's Coffee-House, Wick. Mr M'Combie has been engaged during the last sixteen months as sub-Editor and Reporter on the 'John O'Groat Journal,' and on the eve of his leaving for England, to undertake the sub-editorship of the 'Sunderland News,' a paper just started, his colleagues of the 'John O'Groat' press, before parting, took advantage of this mode of demonstrating their high respect for him. Mr Ritchie, foreman, occupied the chair; and in course of the evening, in his own name and that of those present, expressed to Mr M'Combie the happiness which it afforded him, on reviewing the period during which they had been associated, to find that nothing but friendly feeling and harmony had prevailed --- the desire to oblige and accommodate having been, on every occasion, mutual. This he ascribed as owing, in no small degree, to Mr M'Combie's kind and gentlemanly manners. He was glad to add, without exaggerating, that the effect of Mr M'Combie's affable and polite bearing was not confined to the staff of the 'John O'Groat Journal,' but was felt and valued by an extensive circle of other acquaintances, who regarded him with feelings of the highest esteem. He concluded by expressing the company's regret at parting with Mr M'Combie, and their warm wishes for his future success in life. Mr M'Combie replied by

thanking Mr Ritchie and his other friends for their good opinion and good wishes, which he, in very feeling terms, reciprocated. --- Mr Guthrie, Free Church teacher, Pulteneytown, who was present as a personal friend of Mr M'Combie, in a very neat and appropriate speech, testified to the regret universally prevalent in circles enjoying the pleasure of Mr M'Combie's acquaintance. --- The evening was spent in the happiest manner --- Mrs Doull's arrangements for the conduct of the party being in every respect complete.

~ 20 December 1851

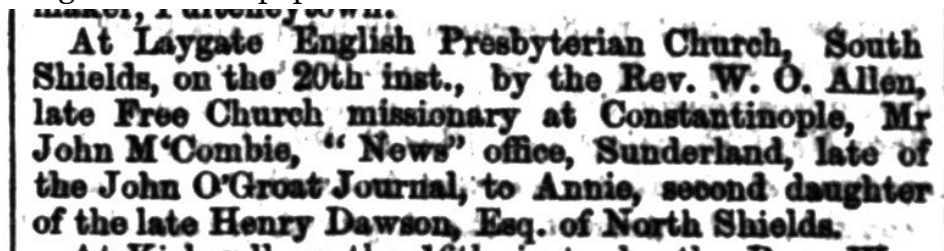
John M'Combie married **ANNIE DAWSON** on 20 December 1851 at Laygate English Presbyterian Church in South Shields, Durham, England.

From the newspaper, John O' Groat Journal, 26 December 1851:

MARRIAGES.

At Laygate English Presbyterian Church, South Shields, on the 20th inst., by the Rev. W. O. Allen, late Free Church missionary at Constantinople, Mr John M'Combie, "News" office, Sunderland, late of the John O'Groat Journal, to Annie, second daughter of the late Henry Dawson, Esq. of North Shields.

Image of the newspaper notice:



~ 25 September 1852

This advertisement is the earliest found so far that mentioned John M'Combie as the proprietor and editor of the Coleraine Chronicle in Coleraine, Londonderry, Ireland. The advertisement also shows the typesets that they used.

From the newspaper, Coleraine Chronicle, Saturday 25 September 1852:

THE "COLERAINE CHRONICLE"

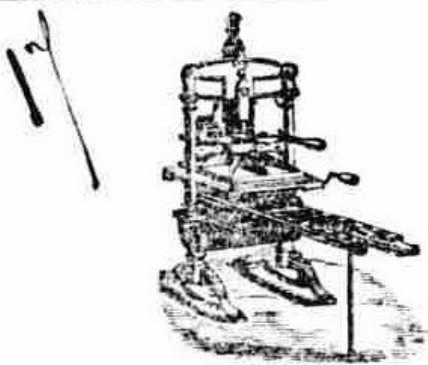
General Printing Office.

Pamphlets, Posters, Bill Heads, Notices, Law Forms, And Printing of Every Descriptions, And Printing every description.

MR. JOHN M'COMBIE, Proprietor and Editor of the Coleraine Chronicle, having added to his Establishment The Printing materials of the late Mr. JAMES COYLE, Comprising A Large And Varied Assortment of New And Excellent Type, begs to inform the Public, and those Friends who have hitherto kindly patronized the Office, that he is now prepared to receive and execute their favours in a Superior Style Of Workmanship, at the Shortest Notice and of the Most Reasonable Terms.

Orders received at the "Coleraine Chronicle' Printing and Publishing Office,
31, Meeting-House-Street, Coleraine.

Image of the advertisement:



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~ 1854

J. M'Combie as a publisher published a book titled, The Irish Legend..., by Archibald M'Sparran in 1854.

From the book, on Google Books online:

The Irish Legend;

Or M'Donnell, and the Norman De Borgos: a Biographical Tale.

By Archibald M'Sparran

With an Original Appendix, containing Historical and Traditional records of the Ancient Families of the North of Ulster.

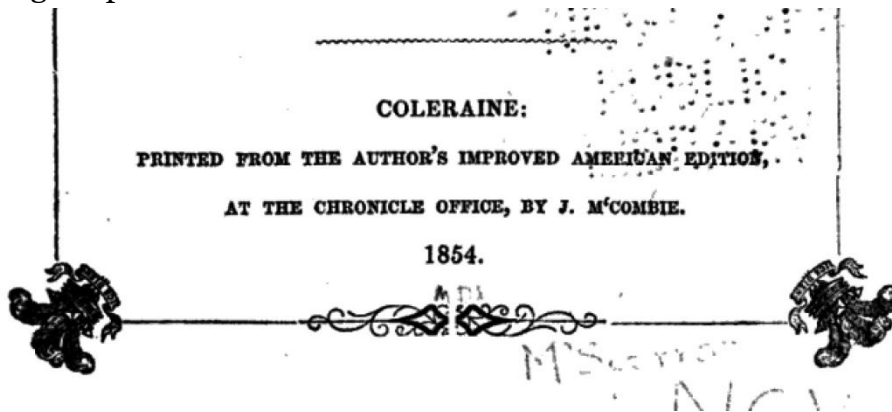
Coleraine:

Printed from the Author's improved American Edition,

At the Chronicle Office, by J. M'Combie.

1854.

Image of part of the book:



~ 12 August 1854

Georgiana Wakefield Dawson Jefferson died at the age of 25 years on 5 August 1854 at Westoe, Durham, England.

She was a sister of John McCombie's wife. A few years later the McCombies named their daughter after her, Georgiana Harriet Wakefield McCombie.

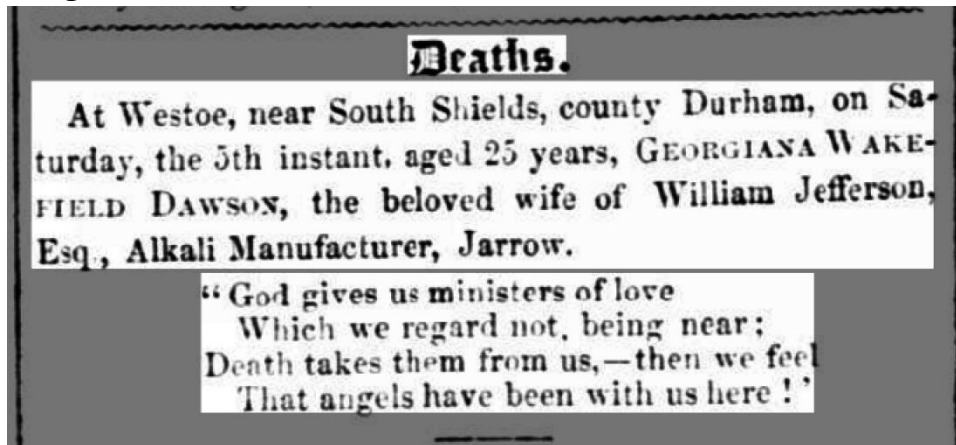
From the newspaper, Coleraine Chronicle, Saturday 12 August 1854:

Deaths.

At Westoe, near South Shields, county Durham, on Saturday, the 5th instant, aged 25 years, GEORGIANA WAKEFIELD DAWSON, the beloved wife of William Jefferson, Esq., Alkali Manufacturer, Jarrow.

"God gives us ministers of love
Which we regard not, being near;
Death takes them from us, --- then we feel
That angels have been with us here !"

Image of the death notice:



~ 15 August 1857

An article where John M'Combie gave a status report on how the newspaper, Coleraine Chronicle, is doing business wise.

From the newspaper, Coleraine Chronicle, Saturday 15 August 1857:

THE "COLERAINE CHRONICLE,"

Since its permanent enlargement to eight pages on the 12th April 1856, has met with the most signal success, and is daily adding to its list of Subscribers. At the date of the last Government Returns, printed by order of the House of Commons, the Chronicle stood, in point of circulation, at the head of the Provincial Press of[f] Ireland; and we feel proud in stating that the average number of readers each week for the last six months, taking them at the lowest estimate, has been about 7,500.

The additional space afforded by the enlargement enables us now to present a complete summary of the News of the week, both Foreign and Domestic, while a liberal infusion of Literary matter, both Original and Selected, makes the Journal an interesting Miscellany, and Family Newspaper. As a special feature, it may be mentioned that the Agricultural Department of the Journal ("The Farmer's Chronicle") is carefully compiled with the view of affording the latest and most reliable information, both as to practical improvements in that branch of National Industry, and as to Prices Currents, Prospects, Markets, Fairs, &c.

Terms ---

Payable in Advance:

Unstamped.

Single Copy 3d. Half-Yearly 6s 6d. Per Annum ... 12s od.

Stamped, to go by post.

Single copy 4d. Half-Yearly 8s 6d. Per Annum 16s od.

Subscribers' names, and Advertisements, received at the Office, 7, Meeting-house-street, Coleraine.

JOHN M'COMBIE.

~ 8 January 1858

John M'Combie was mentioned giving the staff time off for the Christmas holiday.

From the newspaper, Carlisle Journal, Friday 8 January 1858:

Miscellaneous.

An Editorial Holiday. --- The Coleraine Chronicle, edited by Mr. M'Combie, formerly of the Sunderland News, appeared last Saturday two pages short of its usual size, a circumstance which was explained in the following editorial announcement: --- "In order that Christmas-day might be enjoyed as a holiday by our workmen, we have curtailed the size of to-day's paper. We are sure our readers will not grudge us this liberty, when we state that Christmas is the only entire holiday throughout the year that printers can enjoy." --- We are not aware whether Mr. M'Combie was equally considerate at Sunderland, but the News has now a holiday en permanence.

~ midnight 7 April 1861

[--- The 1861 census of Ireland was destroyed by the Irish in the troubles of 1922 ---]

~ 1862

John M'Combie as a publisher published a book with the title The Heresies of the Plymouth Brethren, by James C. L. Carson, M. D. in 1862.

From the book, online at Google Books:

The Heresies of the Plymouth Brethren.

By James C. L. Carson, M. D.

Seventh Thousand.

Coleraine:

John M'Combie, 7, Meeting-House-Street.

1862.

Price Two Pence.

~ **1865**

John M'Combie as a publisher published a book titled, The Stewarts of Ballintoy, by Rev. George Hill in 1865.

From the book, on Google Books online:

The Stewarts of Ballintoy: with notices of other families of the district in the seventeenth century

By Rev. George Hill

Coleraine:

John M'Combie, 7, Meeting-House-Street

1865

Image of the page:

STEWARTS OF BALLINTOY

WITH NOTICES OF
OTHER FAMILIES OF THE DISTRICT

IN THE
SEVENTEENTH CENTURY

—
BY THE REV. GEORGE HILL

—
COLERAINE:
JOHN M'COMBIE, 7, MEETING-HOUSE-STREET

—
1865

~ **1867**

John McCombie was the secretary for the Lower Bann Steam Boat Company. They had their office at Bridge Street, Coleraine, Ireland.

From the book, The Joint Stock Companies' Directory for 1867:

Page 466

SHIPPING COMPANIES.

Lower Bann Steam Boat Company (Limited).

Established 1863.

Capital £4,000

Paid up 2,000

Shares --- 400 of £10 each.

Agencies --- Five.

(long list of directors, etc.)

Secretary John McCombie, Esq.

Office --- Bridge Street, Coleraine.

~ 29 May 1868

J. Mc'Combie in an advertisement was promoting Parr's Life Pills a product that can be purchased from him. It helps those that suffers from Rheumatism.

From the newspaper, The Newcastle Weekly Courant, Friday, May 29, 1868:

REMARKABLE CURE of CAPT. SAUNDERSON.

Chronicle Office, Coleraine, January 20th, 1868.

GENTLEMEN, - - A remarkable case of Rheumatism has come under my notice to-day, and as I have permission to send it to you for publication, I do so, hoping it may benefit others.

Mr William Saunderson, Captain of the schooner Mary Maria, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, at present taking in cargo at Portrush, purchased of me a box of PARR'S LIFE PILLS, and he told me that three months ago he was obliged to use crutches to enable him to walk, and that he suffered greatly from Rheumatism.

A friend of his seeing him in this sad state, advised him to try Parr's Pills; he did so, and before he had finished taking the first box he threw aside the crutches. He is now active and strong, and can walk miles without resting. Since he commenced taking the pills he has gained eleven pounds in weight, looks younger, and feels better in every way.

I am, Gentlemen, yours truly,

J. Mc'Combie.

Sole Proprietors, T. ROBERTS & Co., 8, Crane Court, Fleet Street, London.

PARR'S LIFE PILLS

May he obtained of any Medicine Vendor in boxes 1s. 1[?]d., 2s. 9d., and in Family Packets, 11s. each. Directions with each box.

~ 1 August 1868

Mr. John M'Combie, and Miss Marion M. M'Combie were on the steam ship Islay when the weather was not favorable.

From the newspaper, Coleraine Chronicle, Saturday 1 August 1868:

On Wednesday a smart breeze ruffled the waves, and on Thursday morning the wind blew a rather strong gale, and raised the surface of the water into magnificent billows. Many intending voyagers were deterred by the rather threatening aspect of affairs, but a goodly party put on a bold face, and in spite of wind and weather, trusted themselves to the good steam ship Islay, as she rocked by the pier of Portrush, straining her cables, as if eager and impatient to bound over the foaming billows. As the time for sailing drew near crowds flocked to the quay to see the departure of the steamer, with her company of hardy passengers who had the pluck to face the storm. A fine company they were, including a number of the fair sex, all bent on making the most of the occasion, and enjoying themselves to the utmost.

Among many others on board we noticed the following: ---

(among many others listed)

... Mr. John M'Combie, and Miss Marion M. M'Combie, Coleraine...

~ 11 December 1869

J. M'Combie was mentioned as being the secretary to the Coleraine Literary And Scientific Association.

From the newspaper, Coleraine Chronicle, Saturday 11 December 1869:

Coleraine Literary And Scientific Association.

Lecture By Sir Alexander Shafto Adair, Bart.

The Committee of the above Association have much pleasure in announcing that Sir Alex. Shafto Adair, Bart., has kindly consented to deliver the opening lecture of the Session in the Town-Hall, Coleraine, on Tuesday Evening next, the 14th inst.

The Chair will be taken by Edmond Stronge, Esq., J. P., The Manor House.

Doors open at half-past 7 o'clock; Lecture to commence at 8.

Admission by Tickets only --- Reserved Seats, 6d; Second Seats, 3d., to be had at the door, or from

P. PERSSK, Treasurer.

J. M'COMBIE, Sec.

Coleraine, 10th December, 1869.

~ midnight 2 April 1871

In 1871, John MacCombie was a visitor in the household of George K. Ross and his wife Martha at 1 Athole Terrace in Govan, Lanarkshire, Scotland.

John MacCombie was listed as a Newspaper proprietor.

From the 1871 census of Govan:

Name / Relationship / Marital status / Age & Sex / Profession / Where Born

1 Athole Terrace

George K. Ross / Head / Mar / 41 M / Stationer / Invernesshire Inverness

Martha Do. / Wife / " / 28 F / ----- / England

John Maccombie / Visitor / Mar / 46 M / Newspaper proprietor / Ross shire Resolis

Image of part of the record:

George K. Ross	Head	Mar	41	Stationer	Invernesshire
Martha Do.	Wife	"	28		England
John Maccombie	Visitor	Mar	46	Newspaper proprietor	Ross shire Resolis

~ also on midnight 2 April 1871

[--- The 1871 census of Ireland was destroyed by the Irish in the troubles of 1922 ---]

While John MacCombie was visiting in Scotland during the time when the 1871 census was taken, his family was at Coleraine, Ireland. But the records of the 1871 census of Ireland was destroyed by the Irish in 1922.

~ 2 January 1875

John MacCombie's mother in law, Annie Metcalfe Dawson, died 21 December 1874 in South Shields, Durham, England.

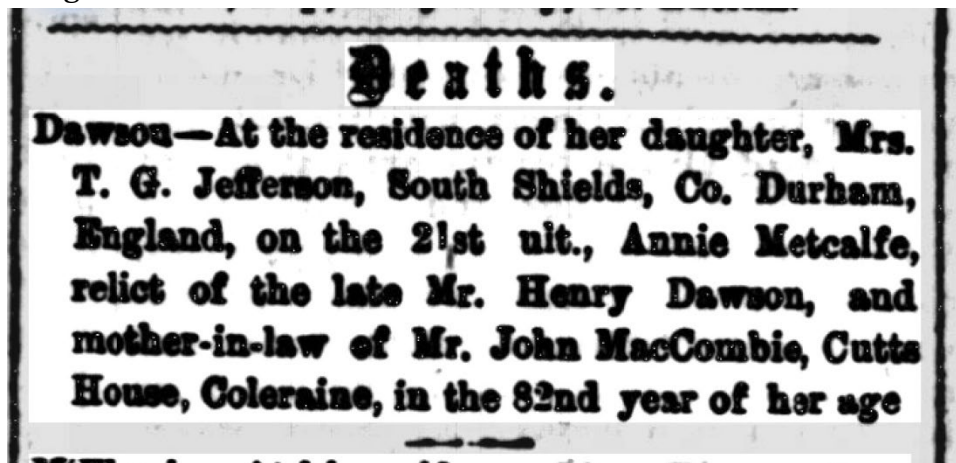
From this we can say that John MacCombie's wife Annie was a daughter of Henry and Annie Dawson and that she was of English ancestry.

From the newspaper, Coleraine Chronicle, Saturday, 2 January 1875:

Deaths.

Dawson --- At the residence of her daughter, Mrs. T. G. Jefferson, South Shields, Co. Durham, England, on the 21st ult., Annie Metcalfe, relict of the late Mr. Henry Dawson, and mother-in-law of Mr. John MacCombie, Cutts House, Coleraine, in the 82nd year of her age

Image of the death notice:



~ 20 March 1876

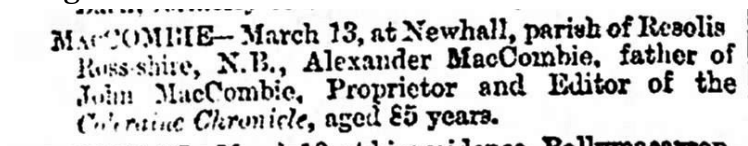
John MacCombie's father, Alexander MacCombie, died at the age of 85 years on 13 March 1876 at Newhall in Resolis, Ross shire, Scotland.

From the newspaper, Belfast News-Letter, Monday, March 20, 1876:

DEATHS.

MACCOMBIE --- March 13, at Newhall, parish of Resolis Ross-shire, N. B., Alexander MacCombie, father of John MacCombie, Proprietor and Editor of the Coleraine Chronicle, aged 85 years.

Image of article:



~ midnight 3 April 1881

[--- The 1881 census of Ireland was destroyed by the Irish in the troubles of 1922 ---]

~ 7 April 1884

The Coleraine Chronicle was advertising for a new reporter. John MacCombie's nephew, A. J. MacCombie, the manager, is mentioned.

"must be sober..."

From the newspaper,

Belfast News-Letter, Monday, April 07, 1884:

WANTED.

THE PRESS. --- Wanted, about 1st June, at the Chronicle Office, Coleraine, a REPORTER; must be sober, steady man, able to take an accurate report, and a good paragraphist. --- Applications, stating salary expected, to be addressed to A. J. MacCombie, Manager.

Image of the advertisement:

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GOOD BROS. require APPRENTICES to

~ 6 November 1886

Alexander J. MacCombie died on 2 November 1886 at Meeting-house Street in Coleraine, Londonderry, Ireland.

From the newspaper, Coleraine Chronicle, 6 November 1886:

DEATHS.

MacCombie --- At Meeting-house Street, Coleraine, on the 2nd inst., Alexander J. MacCombie, in the 33rd year of his age.

Image of the article:

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MacCombie—At Meeting-house Street, Coleraine, on the 2nd inst., Alexander J. MacCombie, in the 33rd year of his age.

Research note:

Alexander J. MacCombie was a nephew of John MacCombie of Coleraine, Ireland. He was a son of his sister, Catherine, who married their cousin, John McCombie, a Wine and Spirit Merchant in Edinburgh, Scotland.

John MacCombie of Coleraine, seeing that he only had daughters, probably had hoped that perhaps his nephew, Alexander, may be able to run the Coleraine Chronicle after he steps down or died.

But Alexander's early death ended that plan.

~ 1887

John MacCombie is listed as the proprietor and publisher of the Coleraine Chronicle.

From the book, Sells' Dictionary of the World's Press, 1887:

Page 367

The World's Press.

Ireland

COLERAINE. --- Province of Ulster, Co. Londonderry.

Industries: --- Manufacture of linen, pork curing, salmon fishing, and distilling.

Market days, Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. Population, 6,295. Distance from Dublin, 152 miles.

COLERAINE CHRONICLE, Saturday, 1d, Est. 1844. Liberal.

Circulates principally through the counties of Antrim, Londonderry, Donegal, Tyrone, Armagh, Down, and the province of Ulster. Guaranteed circulation, 8,500.

Price per inch business advts.} Once - 2/6 13 - 1/6 26 - 1/- 52 - -/8

Official advts., 4d. and 6d. per line.

Blocks and display type inserted.

Proprietor and Publisher --- John MacCombie, 1, Antrim Place, Coleraine.

~ midnight 5 April 1891

[--- The 1891 census of Ireland was destroyed by the Irish in the troubles of 1922 ---]

~ 13 March 1894

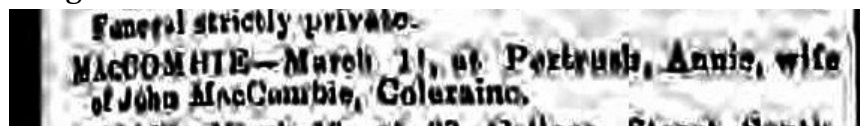
John MacCombie's wife Annie MacCombie died on 11 March 1894 in Portrush, Antrim, Ireland.

From the newspaper, The Belfast News-Letter, Tuesday 13 March 1894:

DEATHS.

MACCOMBIE --- March 11, at Portrush, Annie, wife of John MacCombie, Coleraine.

Image of the article:



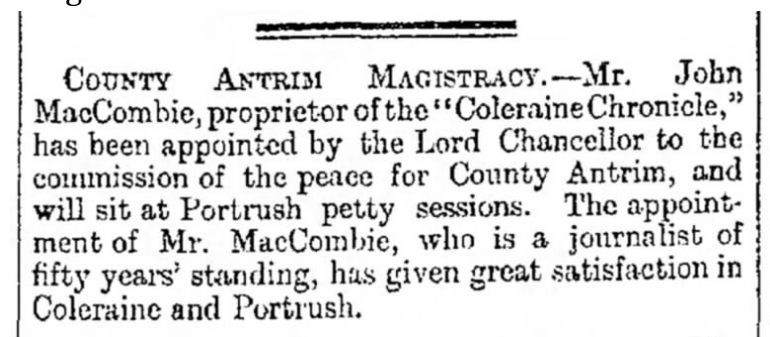
~ 29 June 1895

Mr. John MacCombie was appointed by the Lord Chancellor to the commission of the peace for the county of Antrim, Ireland and will sit at Portrush petty sessions. From this point on, he had the "J.P." (Justice of the peace) added to his name.

From the newspaper, Belfast News-Letter, Saturday, June 29, 1895:

COUNTY ANTRIM MAGISTRACY. --- Mr. John MacCombie, proprietor of the "Coleraine Chronicle," has been appointed by the Lord Chancellor to the commission of the peace for County Antrim, and will sit at Portrush petty sessions. The appointment of Mr. MacCombie, who is a journalist of fifty years' standing, has given great satisfaction in Coleraine and Portrush.

Image of the article:



~ 1898

John MacCombie, J.P. was listed as the proprietor of the Coleraine Chronicle.

From the book, The Newspaper Press Directory and Advertisers' Guide, 1898:

Page 203

Papers Published In Ireland.

COLERAINE. --- (In the Province of Ulster and County Londonderry.)

A borough and market-town on the river Bann in Ulster: celebrated for its markets of fine linen, salmon fisheries, and for malt whiskey. Vessels of 400 tons can now come up to the town. There are bi-weekly sailings of steamers to and from Glasgow; and there is a considerable home and foreign trade. --- Papers for the district ---

COLERAINE CHRONICLE. Saturday, 1d.

Liberal. --- Established April, 1844.

Circulates principally through the counties of Antrim, Londonderry, Donegal, Tyrone, Armagh, Down, and the province.

Advocates the interests and extension of agriculture, commerce, and manufactures, and is a political, commercial, and literary family newspaper; and conducted on Independent principles.

PROPRIETOR --- John MacCombie, J.P.

~ 3 January 1899

There was a newspaper article that mentioned the retirement of John MacCombie, Esq., J. P. from the editorship of the newspaper Coleraine Chronicle.

From the newspaper, Belfast News-Letter, Tuesday, January 3, 1899:

ADDEESS AND PRESENTATION TO JOHN MacCOMBIE, Esq., J.P.,

On his retiral from the Editorship of the "Coleraine Chronicle."

DEAR MR. MacCOMBIE --- It has been felt by your many friends that the occasion of your retirement from the Editorship of the "Coleraine Chronicle" should be marked by a public expression of their esteem and regard. You have occupied this responsible and onerous position for the long period of 46 years with much credit to yourself and greatly to the satisfaction of the community. The columns of the "Chronicle" have ever been at the service of all ranks and classes of the people.

..... (long letter)

REPLY.

My Dear Friends --- I feel utterly unequal to the task of properly thanking you for your magnificent testimonial, or for the graceful address with which it is associated. After fifty years' constant work in journalism, forty-five of which I spent at the helm of the "Coleraine Chronicle," I cannot complain that Providence has decreed my retirement, owing to my advanced age and increasing dimness of vision. Few, indeed, are spared to such lengthened service, and fewer still are they who, in closing their life-work, receive such substantial evidence of the goodwill of those among whom so many years have been spent.

Your estimate represents my work as it should have been, and you attribute to me characteristics which I have striven to foster and develop; but I fear that in both I have fallen far short of the ideal.

In political conflicts and social changes it has ever been a gratification to me that I could number men of all shades of opinion among my close personal friends. Such a thought has been to me a comfort in times of doubt and difficulty, and a source, of constant satisfaction, knowing, as I did, that they recognised my anxiety for the true welfare of the community.

In retiring from active work in connection with the "Chronicle," I have the gratification of knowing that I am succeeded by one whose journalistic infancy, so to speak, was spent as a member of the staff, and who has been my close associate, rather than my mere assistant, during the past six, years. I cordially join in your hope that the journal which I directed so long may continue to prosper under his care.

Few pleasures are left to me now, as my impaired eyesight prevents my indulgence of the taste for literature, which I may describe as a ruling passion. True friendships are, therefore, all the more highly prized by me, and it will always be a great comfort, so long as I am permitted to go out and in among you, to meet and converse with those who in my declining years have given me such splendid proof of their esteem, and, I think I may add, their affection.

Wishing each and all of my friends many happy days, I am, yours most gratefully,
J. MacCOMBIE.

~ **midnight 31 March 1901**

In 1901, John McCombie, age 76 years, was living at Institution Road in Coleraine, Londonderry, Ireland. His daughter and her children were living with him.

John McCombie was listed as a Retired Journalist and a J.P.

From the 1901 census of Coleraine:

Return of the Members of this Family and their Visitors, Boarders, Servants, &c., who slept or abode in this House on the night of Sunday, the 31st March, 1901.

Institution Road, Coleraine.

Number / Name / Relationship / Religion / Read or Write ? / Age / Sex / Profession / Marital status / Birthplace / Language / Deaf Dumb, Blind, Idiot, etc.

1 / John McCombie / [--?--] / Presbyterian / Educated / 76 / M / Retired Journalist J.P. / Widow / Rosshire / English / [---?---] Head

2 / Allie Letham / Daughter / C N Ireland / Educated / 43 / F / Housekeeper / Married / Ireland Colertraine / -----

3 / Allie / Letham / G daughter / ditto / Educated / 18 / F / no occupation / not married / [---?---] / -----

4 / J. Wilson / Letham / G son / ditto / Educated / 13 / M / School / ----- / [---?---] / -

5 / A. Efe / Letham / G daughter / ditto / Educated / 11 / F / School / ----- / [---?---]
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	Christian Name.	Surname.	"Service," etc.	Denomination, or body, to which they belong.			NO FORM NEW ADVERTISEMENTS FOR NEW PAPERS, ETC.
1	John	MacCombie	Widow	Presbyterian	Educated	76	In Bed of Sickness
2	Ellie	MacCombie	Daughter	Presbyterian	Educated	43	Housewife
3	Ellie	MacCombie	Daughter	Presbyterian	Educated	18	No occupation
4	John	MacCombie	Son	Presbyterian	Educated	13	School
5	John	MacCombie	Son	Presbyterian	Educated	11	School
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~ 1904

John MacCombie died at the age of 80 years on 1 February 1904 at Waterside in Coleraine, Londonderry, Ireland.

From the newspaper, Londonderry Sentinel, 2 February 1904:

DEATHS.

MacCOMBIE --- February 1, at his residence, Waterside, Coleraine, John MacCombie, J.P. [Funeral on to-morrow (Wednesday), 3d inst., at 2.30 p.m.]

Image of the article:

MacCOMBIE—February 1, at his residence, Waterside, Coleraine, John MacCombie, J.P. [Funeral on to-morrow (Wednesday), 3d inst., at 2.30 p.m.]

From the newspaper, Coleraine Chronicle, Saturday 6 February 1904:

JOHN MacCOMBIE, J.P.

... (very long article, the followings are excerpts)

..... By the demise of Mr. John MacCombie, J.P., which occurred on Monday morning at his residence in Waterside, Coleraine, the oldest Pressman in Ulster, if not in Ireland, has been called away from earth. He had reached the great age of four-score years, and had been editor of the "Coleraine Chronicle" from 1852 until 1897. Under his guidance

that paper took a prominent part in the land reform movement, and materially contributed to the success of the struggles...

... Mr. MacCombie was a native of Ross-shire, N. B., and was a fine specimen of the Highland race --- tall and distinguished in appearance, affable and courteous in manner, and of kindly, generous instincts. ...

... During the next two years the old gentleman was to be seen almost daily strolling about his favourite walks in town and vicinity, or chatting with old friends; but failing strength compelled him to keep indoors since then. On the 20th ult. he had an internal seizure, which prostrated him, and, although carefully tended, he gradually sank, the end coming peacefully on Monday morning. Mrs. MacCombie predeceased him almost ten years ago; but he is survived by four daughters, all of them married. His death is regretted by a very wide circle of friends.

THE FUNERAL.

The remains of the late Mr. MacCombie was interred in the Coleraine Cemetery on Wednesday, when one of the largest and most representative assemblages ever witnessed at a funeral in the locality gathered at Waterside, and paid a tribute of respect to his memory. ...

... Almost all of the clergy and gentry of the town and district joined with the leading merchants and professional men in the sad procession. Several floral tributes were placed on the coffin, which bore the simple inscription --- "John MacCombie, aged 80 years; died 1st February, 1804." The chief mourners were --- Masters Jas. Letham and John MacC. Crawford (grandsons of the deceased); ...

From the newspaper, Northern Constitution, Saturday 6 February 1904:

DEATH OF MR. JOHN M'COMBIE, J. P., COLERAINE.

One of the oldest and most respected residents of Coleraine died on Monday morning last in the person of Mr. John M'Combie, known to two generations of the community by his connection with our local contemporary the Coleraine Chronicle, Mr. M'Combie was a native of Cromarty in Scotland, and inherited a singularly robust constitution, which was retained, apparently unimpaired, until he had passed "the allotted span." His eyesight then began to fail, and he had a serious internal illness in the winter of 1897, from which he never quite recovered. During the past three or four years he had rarely been seen out of doors, and for a week or two previous to his death he had been almost entirely confined to bed.

More than fifty years have passed since Mr. M'Combie first came to Coleraine. His parents had intended him for the ministry, but before his college course was completed his thoughts turned to journalism, and he soon found an opening to his taste in the North of England. Our contemporary was not then in its teens. It had been started by Mr. G. V. Robinson, the local printer, who, owing to pecuniary difficulties, sold the

paper to Mr. Hugh Boyde Mackay, solicitor. After carrying on the concern for a while, Mr. Mackay got tired of it, and in 1851 advertised for a manager. Mr. M'Combie's application was accepted. He came over from England and entered upon his duties as manager and editor of the Chronicle, the imprint in the autumn of 1853 stating that the paper was "printed and published by John M'Combie, for the proprietor, Hugh Boyde Mackay."

At the end of five years Mr. Mackay offered to sell the business to the young editor, but a disagreement as to the terms led to a suit in Chancery. Subsequently, however, matters were amicably arranged, and Mr. M'Combie assumed the ownership of the paper, which, it is interesting to note, was then 4d per copy, afterwards reduced to 3d, and finally --- after its domain had been raided by the Constitution --- to the ubiquitous penny.

Thus began our old friend's association with the town in which so large part of his life has been spent. The bond of sympathy between an editor and his readers --- that invisible, widely scattered audience which he addresses week by week --- often grows stronger with the passing of the years. A younger generation with new ideas may be pressing forward, but whether the number of readers diminish or increases, they welcome the arrival of his broadsheet, with its tell-tale touches of the old newspaper hand, and those other typographical lineament which the "constant reader" constantly looks for.

Tributes to Mr. M'Combie from many of his readers were not wanting during the slow years of social and political revolution through which he guided his paper. In those days the Chronicle hit pretty straight from the shoulder. Liberalism and the land agitations were the weekly theme of its editorial columns. It still followed Mr. Gladstone after the disruption of the Liberal party in 1886, though we are happy to add that in this respect our contemporary has since come to see the error of its ways.

During Mr. Mackay's brief tenure of the Chief Secretaryship of Ireland Mr. M'Combie was made a justice of the peace for County Antrim. He then resided at Portrush, but on his health failing about seven years ago he again took up residence in Coleraine. His connection with the Chronicle ceased in 1896. Few men were better known in Coleraine than Mr. M'Combie. His hale, venerable, and prepossessing aspect were known far and wide. We should think he must have made remarkably few enemies, even in the course of his abnormally lengthened professional career, for his affable and generous disposition and invariable buoyancy of spirit were a passport to friendship wherever he went.

Mr. M'Combie had almost attained his 80th year. His wife predeceased him some years ago, and he is survived by four daughters, all of whom are married.

The funeral took place on Wednesday, and was attended by a large number of Mr. M'Combie's old friends. The employes of the Chronicle office carried the remains from the Waterside across the Bridge, after which the coffin was placed in the hearse and

conveyed to the Cemetery, where the burial service was read by the Rev. W. H. Giles, rector of Killowen, and the Rev. Canon Dudley, rector of Coleraine.

~ 30 January 1909

On the fifth anniversary of the death of John MacCombie, his daughter, Alice K. Letham, placed a Memoriam for him in the newspaper.

From the newspaper, Coleraine Chronicle, Saturday 30 January 1909:

IN MEMORIAM.

MACCOMBIE --- In memory of my dear father, John MacCombie, who died at Waterside, Coleraine, February 1st, 1904, aged 80 years.

Worthy of true respect was he

From those he left behind;

A better father could not be,

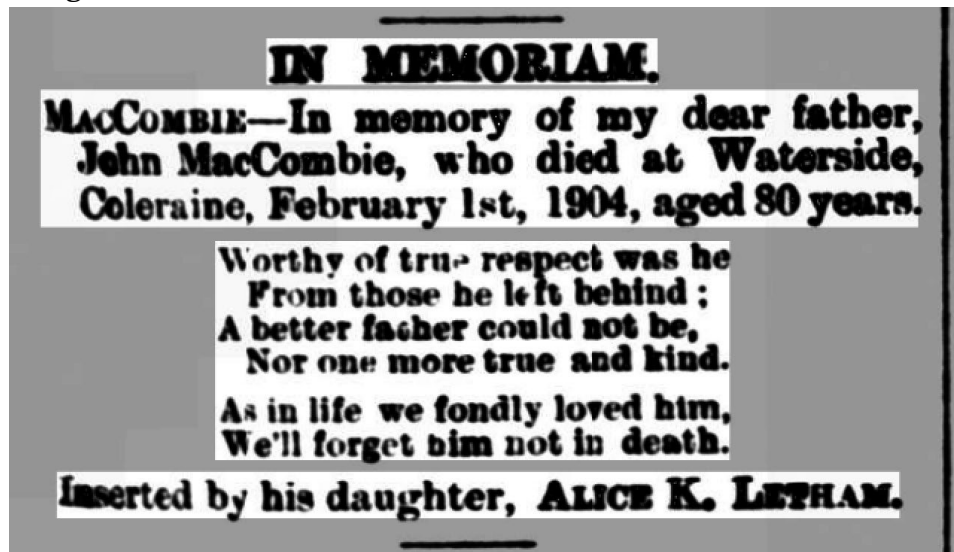
Nor one more true and kind.

As in life we fondly loved him,

We'll forget him not in death.

Inserted by his daughter, ALICE K. LETHAM.

Image of the article:



Children of John and Annie (Dawson) MacCombie

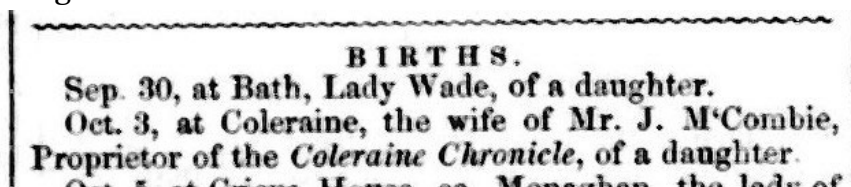
1. **ANNIE GEORGIANA MacCOMBIE** was born on 3 October 1852 in Coleraine, Londonderry, Ireland.

From the newspaper, Armagh Guardian, 16 October 1852:

BIRTHS.

Oct. 3, at Coleraine, the wife of Mr. J. M'Combie, Proprietor of the Coleraine Chronicle, of a daughter.

Image of the record:



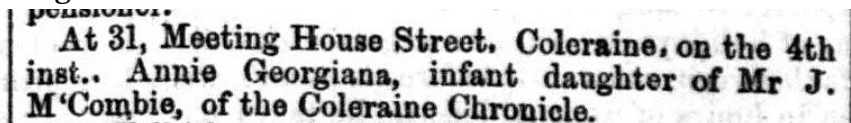
Annie Georgiana M'Combie died as an infant on 4 November 1852 at Meeting House Street in Coleraine, Londonderry, Ireland.

From the newspaper, John O' Groat Journal, 12 November 1852:

DEATHS.

At 31, Meeting House Street, Coleraine, on the 4th inst., Annie Georgiana, infant daughter of Mr J. M 'Combie, of the Coleraine Chronicle.

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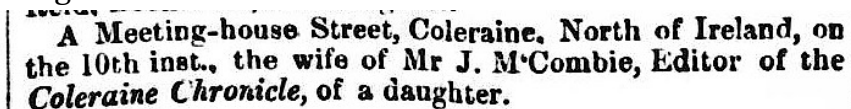
(B). **(a daughter) MacCOMBIE** was born on 10 January 1854 at Meeting-house Street in Coleraine, Londonderry, Ireland.

From the newspaper, Nairnshire Telegraph..., 19 January 1854:

BIRTHS.

A[t] Meeting-house Street, Coleraine, North of Ireland, on the 10th inst., the wife of Mr J. M'Combie, Editor of the Coleraine Chronicle, of a daughter.

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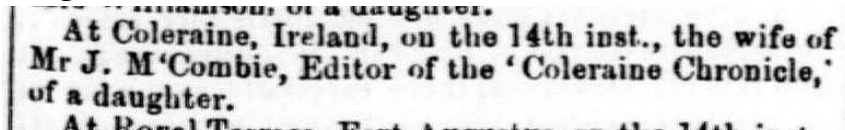
(C). **(a daughter) MacCOMBIE** was born on 14 November 1855 in Coleraine, Londonderry, Ireland.

From the newspaper, John O' Groat Journal, 23 November 1855:

BIRTHS.

At Coleraine, Ireland, on the 14th inst., the wife of Mr J. M'Combie, Editor of the 'Coleraine Chronicle,' of a daughter.

Image of the article:



2. **ALEXANDRINA KATHERINE MacCOMBIE.**

Alexandrina married John Letham and they had children.

They went to Canada.

3. **MARION MACKAY MacCOMBIE** the "second daughter"

Marion married in 1885 to Thomas Crawford.

4. **GEORGIANA HARRIET WAKEFIELD MacCOMBIE** the "3rd daughter" or the "4th daughter"

Georgiana married in 1901 to David Elkington.

She is treated in the next part.

5. **JANET ELSPETH AIRD MacCOMBIE** the "youngest daughter"

Janet married in 1888 to Robert H. H. Small and they had children.

They went to New York, U. S.

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The McCombie family
2nd generation

Georgiana Harriet Wakefield McCombie (186? - 1945)

"Com"

Wife of David Elkington

4. **GEORGIANA HARRIET WAKEFIELD McCOMBIE** (or MacCombie) was born ca. 186? probably in Coleraine, Londonderry, Ireland.

Father: John MacCombie

Mother: Annie Dawson

In her adult life when she was in England, Madeira and Ceylon, Georgiana has her last name as spelled as McCombie before she got married. Her father used the spelling M'Combie in the newspapers from the 1850's to early 1870's when the newspapers seem to drop using that way and he went using MacCombie in the newspapers.

Coleraine, Londonderry, Ireland



~ midnight 7 April 1861

[--- The 1861 census of Ireland was destroyed by the Irish in the troubles of 1922 ---]

~ midnight 2 April 1871

[--- The 1871 census of Ireland was destroyed by the Irish in the troubles of 1922 ---]

~ 15 April 1871

Miss Marion M. M'Combie and Georgiana H. M'Combie were in an orchestra that was playing at a concert event at Town-hall in Coleraine, Londonderry, Ireland.

From the newspaper, Coleraine Chronicle, Saturday 15 April 1871:

AGHADOWEY PABISH CHUBCH.

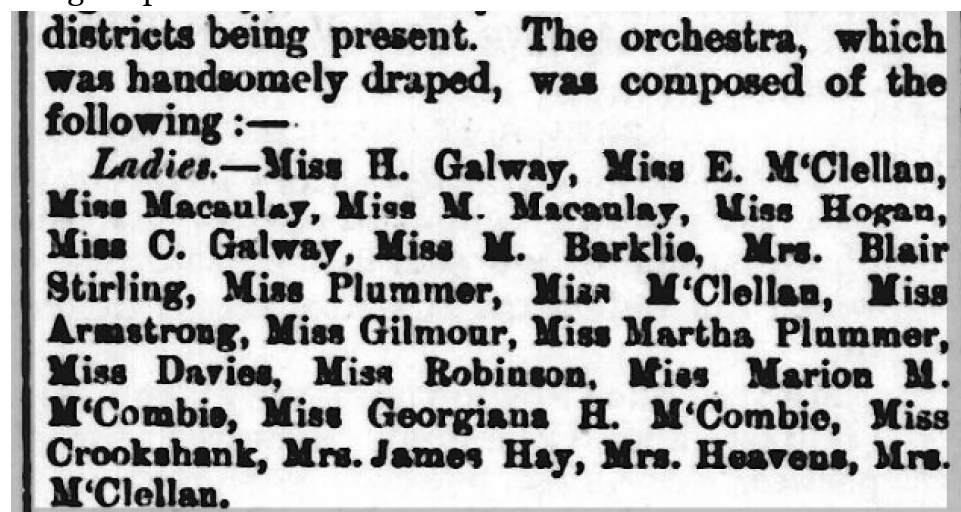
AMATEUR CONCERT.

On Thursday evening last, a concert of a most brilliant character was given in the Town-hall, Coleraine, in connection with the organ fund of Aghadowey Parish Church. The hall was chastily decorated, the Committee of the Terrace-row congregation having allowed the beautifully executed designs, with which the walls had been graced for the ordination services, to remain. The assemblage was large and fashionable, almost every one of the gentry Aghadowey, and many the elite of other districts being present. The orchestra, which was handsomely draped, was composed of the following: ---

Ladies. —Miss H. Galway, Miss E. M'Clellan, Miss Macaulay, Miss M. Macaulay, Miss Hogan, Miss C. Galway, Miss M. Barklie, Mrs. Blair Stirling, Miss Plummer, Miss M'Clellan, Miss Armstrong, Miss Gilmour, Miss Martha Plummer, Miss Davies, Miss Robinson, Miss Marion M. M'Combie, Miss Georgiana H. M'Combie, Miss Crookshank, Mrs. James Hay, Mrs. Heavens, Mrs. M'Clellan.

..... (very long article)

Image of part of the article:



~ 29 June 1872

Miss Marion M. M'Combie and Miss G. H. M'Combie were in a concert event at Town-hall in Coleraine, Londonderry, Ireland.

From the newspaper, Coleraine Chronicle, Saturday 29 June 1872:

GRAND AMATEUR CONCERTS.

Two Concerts, For A Charitable Object, Will Be Given In The Town-Hall, Coleraine, On Thursday And Friday, The 4th & 5th July, 1872.

The following Amateurs have united to give a Performance of Sacred and Secular Music, on Thursday Evening and on Friday Afternoon, 4th and 5th July:-

LADIES: --- Miss Armstrong Miss Barklie Mrs. Cary Elwes Miss Crookshank Miss B. Gusset Miss Gilmour Miss F. M. Hogan Miss King Mrs. J. A. Lyle Miss M'Clellan Miss F. M'Clellan Miss Macaulay Miss Miller Miss G. Miller Miss Marion M. M'Combie Miss G. H. M'Combie Mrs. Stronge Miss Ward

(long article)

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GRAND AMATEUR CONCERTS.

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Evening Concert, on THURSDAY, to begin at Eight o'clock punctually. Doors open at 7.30. Carriages to be ordered at 10 p.m.
Afternoon Concert, on FRIDAY, to begin at Three o'clock punctually. Carriages to be ordered at 5 P.M.
Tickets for Reserved Seats, price 3s, may be obtained at Shops of Messrs. COSBIE, GREAVES, and GAW. Children half price. Unreserved Seats, 1s, to be paid at the door of the Hall.
Coleraine, 25th June, 1872.

~ 11 October 1873

Misses Marian and Georgiana H. M'Combie were among other ladies that performed some music at Castleroe Sabbath School in Castleroe, Londonderry, Ireland.

From the newspaper, Coleraine Chronicle, Saturday 11 October 1873:

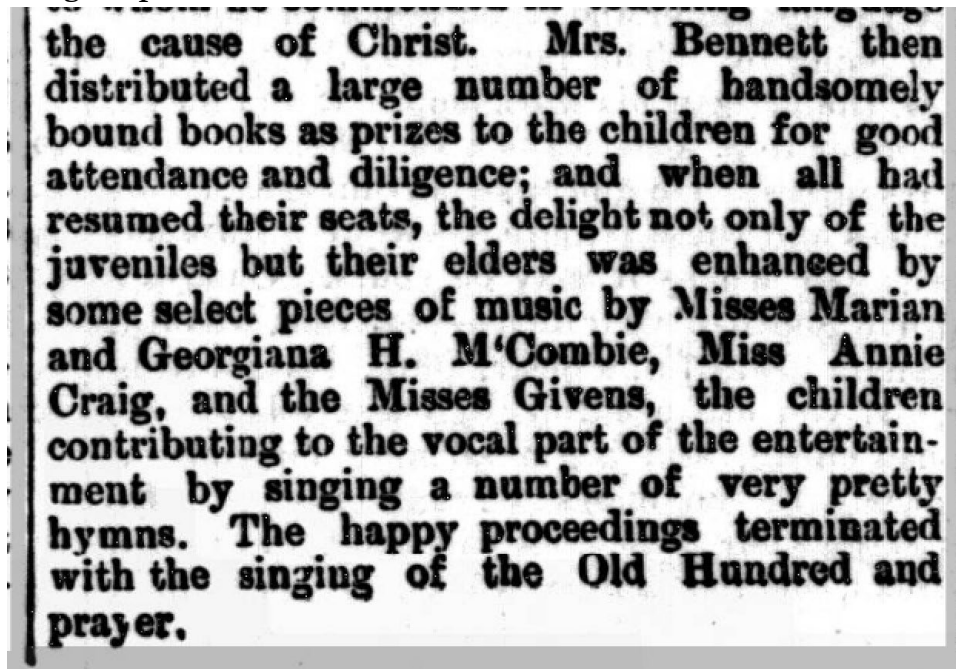
CASTLEROE SABBATH SCHOOL. --- On Thursday evening last the Rev. Stephen Bennett, Rector of Western-Super-Mare, and Mrs. Bennett, who are at present on a visit to the ancestral home, entertained the children attending Castlerow Sabbath-school to a sumptuous tea at the close of the Summer Session. The proceedings wee pleasant in the extreme, the cheerful countenances of the large number of children present, ...

(long article)

... Mrs. Bennett then distributed a large number of handsomely bound books as prizes to the children for good attendances and diligence; and when all had resumed their seats,

the delight not only of the juveniles but their elders was enhanced by some select pieces of music by Misses Marian and Georgiana H. M'Combie, Miss Annie Craig, and the Misses Givens, the children contributing to the vocal part of the entertainment by singing a number of very pretty hymns. The happy proceedings terminated with the singing of the Old Hundred and prayer.

Image of part of the article:



Kingston on Thames, Surrey, England

~ 1881

Georgina H W. McCombie was a Governess for George and Louisa Wilson at St. James H. Maple Road in Kingston on Thames, Surrey, England.

From the 1881 census of Kingston:

St. James H Maple Rd

Name / Relationship / Marital status / Age & Sex / Profession / Birthplace

George F. Wilson / Head / Mar / 34 M / Capt (H. P.) Royal Artillery / Ireland

Louisa Wilson / Wife / Mar / 32 F / ----- / East India (Bengal)

Mary E G D⁰ / Daur / ---- / 10 F / ----- / D⁰ (D⁰)

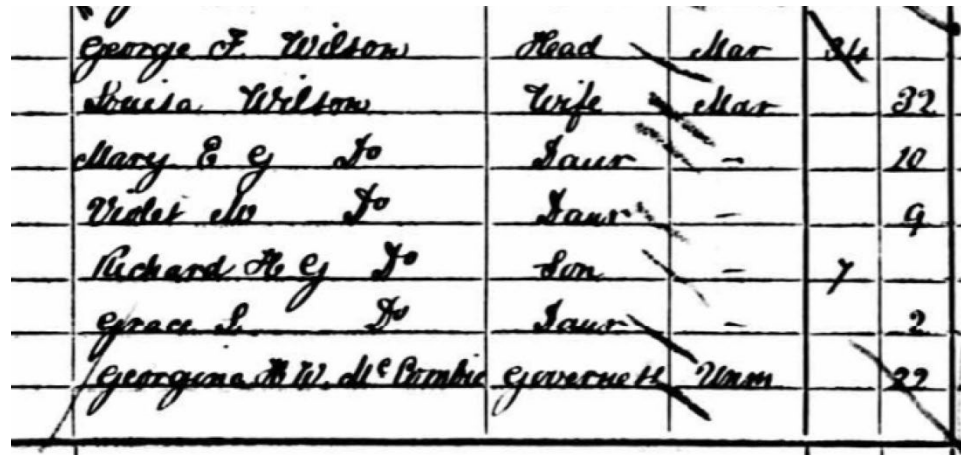
Violet M D⁰ / Daur / ---- / 9 F / ----- / Southampton

Richard H G D^o / Son / ---- / 7 F / ----- / Kent Woolwich

Grace L D^o / Daur / ---- / 2 F / ----- / Hants Southsea

Georgina H W M^c Combie / Governess / Unm / 22 F / Governess Private / Ireland

Image of part of the record:



A handwritten passenger list on a grid. The entries are as follows:

George F. Wilson	Head	Mar	34
Annie Wilson	Wife	Mar	32
Mary E. J.	Daur	-	10
Victor J.	Daur	-	9
Richard H. G. J.	Son	-	7
Grace L. J.	Daur	-	2
Georgina H. W. M ^c Combie	Governess	Unm	22

~ after 1881

Somewhere in the 1880's, Georgiana McCombie met the Gardner family and perhaps work with them as a Governess for the children. Then the parents decided to have her take the son Gerald Brosseau Gardner overseas to better climate areas to improve his health.

Madeira (320 miles west of the coast of Morocco)

~ 27 October 1892

Mast. G. "Gardiner" and Miss G. H. McCombie were listed on a passenger list dated 27 October 1892 of the ship Hawarden Castle. It sailed from Southampton and the two disembarked at Madeira.

From the UK and Ireland, Outward Passenger Lists:

Castle Line

Ship's Name / Master's Name / Tons per Register / Where Bound

"Hawarden Castle" Official No. 87076 / Duncan / 2722 / South Africa.

Date Oct: 27th 1892

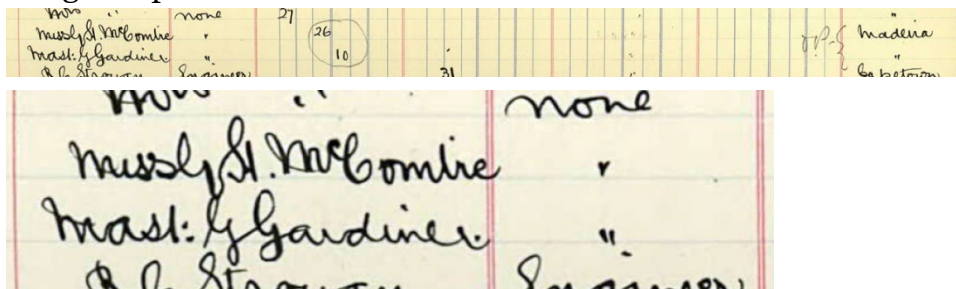
Names and Descriptions of Cabin Passengers.

Part of Embarkation / Names / Occupation / English - Marital status - Sex - Age /

Southampton. / Miss G H. McCombie / none / English - Single - Female - 26 / Madeira

" / Mast: G Gardiner / none / English - Male - 10 / "

Images of part of the record:



Ceylon (modern day Sri Lanka)

~ 26 January 1895

Mr. D. Elkington was on a passenger list for the ship "Ophir" dated 26 January 1895 that sailed from Plymouth, England to Colombo, Ceylon.

From the passenger list of the ship Orphir:

Date 26th Jan^y 1895

Ship's Name. / Master's Name. / Tons per Register. / Where Bound.

Ophir / J. F. Ruthven / 6910 / Australia

Port of Embarkation. / Names of Passengers. / Professions, Occupations, ... / English.

- Marital status - Sex - Age / Port at which Passengers have contracted to Land.

PLYMOUTH / Elkington M^r D / ----- / English - Single - Male - "a" Adult of 12 years and upwards / Colombo

Images of part of the record:

J. PENGELLY & Co., PLYMOUTH.

SCHEDULE B. FORM OF PASSENGER LIST.

Ship's Name.	Master's Name.	Tons per Register.	Aggregate number of superficial feet in the several compartments set apart for Passengers other than Cabin Passengers.	Total number of Statute Adults, exclusive of Master, Crew, and Cabin Passengers, which the Ship can legally carry.	Where Bound.
<i>Ophir</i>	<i>J. F. Ruthven</i>	<i>6910</i>	<i>3930</i>	<i>183</i>	<i>Australia</i>

I HEREBY Certify that the Provisions actually laden on board this Ship are sufficient, according to the requirements of the Passengers' Act, for *183* Statute Adults, for a Voyage of *75* Days.

Date *26th Jan'y* 18*95*

(Signature) *J. F. Ruthven* Master.

Dunsany - Lord
Haines Francis
Goode Miss E.
Elkington M^{rs} D.

Madeira (320 miles west of the coast of Morocco)

~ 2 June 1898

Master G. "Gardiner" and Miss G. H. McCombie were listed on a passenger list dated 2 June 1898 of the ship Spartan. They got onboard at Madeira and sailed to England.

From the UK and Ireland, Incoming Passenger Lists:

Form of Passenger List.

Ship's Name. / *Official No.* / *Tons per Register.* / *Master's Name.* / *Voyage.*

Spartan / 82421 / 2188 / J. Tyson / From S. Africa To England

(Date stamped) 2 Jun 1898

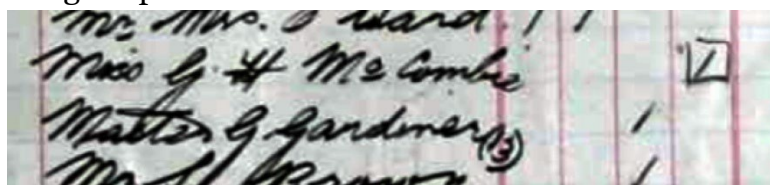
Names, &c., of Cabin Passengers.

Port of Embarkation. / *Names of Passengers.* / *Age of each Adult of Twelve years & upwards - Sex* / *English, Scotch or Irish* / *Ports at which Passengers have been landed.*

Madeira / Miss G H McCombie / Female checked / Scotch checked / Southampton

" / Master G Gardiner (13) / Male checked / English checked / "

Image of part of the record:



~ **29 October 1898**

According to a passenger list of the ship "Caribbrook Castle" dated 29 October 1898, Miss Combie and Mstr. G. Gardner sailed from Southampton, England to the island of Madeira

Ship's Name. / Official Number. / Master's Name. / Tons per Register. / Where Bound.

"CARIBROOK CASTLE." / 108351 / J. C. Robinson / 4246 / South Africa

Date 29th October 1898

Names and Description of Passengers.

Port of Embarkation. / Names of Passengers. / Professions, Occupations, ... / Scotch. - Marital status - Sex - Age / Port at which Passengers have contracted to Land.

Ston / Miss Combie / None / Scotch - Single - Female - 26 / Madeira

" / Mstr G Gardner / " / Scotch - Male - 6 / "

Images of part of the record:

CASTLE LINE,
DONALD CURRIE & CO., MANAGERS
(CARRYING THE BRITISH AND COLONIAL ROYAL MAILS),
BETWEEN
LONDON & THE CAPE COLONY, NATAL, MAURITIUS, MADAGASCAR & EAST AFRICA.

SCHEDULE B.

FORM OF PASSENGER LIST.

Ship's Name.	Official Number.	Master's Name.	Tons per Register.	Aggregate Number of Registered Passengers and Crew (not exceeding 2500) and other persons on board.	Total Number of Statute Adults (not exceeding 2500) and other persons on board.	Where Bound.
"CARIBROOK CASTLE."	108351	J. C. Robinson	4246			South Africa

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the Provisions actually laden on board this Ship are sufficient, according to the requirements of the Passengers' Act, for 740 Statute Adults, for a Voyage of 65 Days.

Miss Combie	None					
Mstr G Gardner	"					

Ceylon (modern day Sri Lanka)

~ 5 June 1899

According to a passenger list of the ship "Darmstadt" dated 5 June 1899, Miss McCombie sailed from Southampton, England to Colombo, Ceylon.

From the passenger list of the ship "Darmstadt":

Date 5th June 1899.

Ship's Name. / Master's Name. / Tons per Register. / Where Bounded.

"Darmstadt" / B. Wilhelmi / 3161 / Australia

Port of Embarkation. / Names of Passengers. / Professions, Occupations, ... / Foreigners. - Marital status - Sex - Age / Port at which Passengers have contracted to Land.

Southampton / Miss Mc Combie / ----- / Foreigners - Single - Female - Adult of 12 years and upwards (handwritten note "E. I.") / Colombo

Images of part of the record:

FORM OF PASSENGER LIST.

SHIP'S NAME.	MASTER'S NAME.	Tons per Register.	Aggregate number of superficial feet in the several compartments set apart for Passengers other than Cabin Passengers.	Total Number of Statute Adults exclusive of Master, Crew, and Cabin Passengers, which the ship can legally carry.	WHERE BOUND.
Darmstadt	B. Wilhelmi	3161			Australia

I HEREBY Certify that the Provisions actually laden on board this Ship are sufficient, according to the requirements of the Passengers' Act, for _____ Statute Adults, for a Voyage of _____ Days.

(Signature) *B. Wilhelmi* Master.

Date *5th June* 1899.

Port of Embarkation.	Number of Cabins.	Names of Passengers.	Profession, Occupation, or Calling of Passengers.	Adult of 12 years and upwards.		Age of Children between 1 and 12 years.		Infants.		Adult of 12 years and upwards.		Age of Children between 1 and 12 years.		Infants.		Adult of 12 years and upwards.		Age of Children between 1 and 12 years.		Infants.		Adult of 12 years and upwards.		Age of Children between 1 and 12 years.		Infants.		Port at which Passengers have contracted to Land.	
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		<i>Mr. Buchanan</i>																										<i>Trincomalee</i>	

Port of Embarkation.	Names of Passengers.
Southampton	Miss Mc Combie
"	Mr. Buchanan

Madeira (320 miles west of the coast of Morocco)

~ 4 November 1899

According to a passenger list of the ship "Briton" dated 4 November 1899, G. B. Gardner and Miss McCombie sailed from Southampton, England to the island of Madeira.

From a passenger list of the ship Briton:

Date 4th November 1899.

Ship's Name / Master's Name / Tons per Register / Where Bound

"Briton" / E. J. Griffin / 5154. / South Africa

Part of Embarkation / Names' of Passengers / Profession, Occupation ... / SCOTCH - Age, Sex and Marital status / Port at which Passengers contracted to Land

Southampton / Miss Mc. Combie / SCOTCH - Adult of 12 years and upwards - Female - Single / Madeira

" / Mr G. B. Gardner / SCOTCH - Adult of 12 years and upwards - Male - Single / Madeira

Images of part of the record:

SCHEDULE B.

FORM OF PASSENGER LIST.

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SHIP'S NAME	MASTER'S NAME	Tons per Register	Aggregate number of super- total feet in the several compartments set apart for Passengers other than Cabin Passengers	Total number of Statute Adults, exclusive of Master, Crew, and Cabin Passengers, which the Ship can legally carry	WHERE BOUND
"BRITON"	E. J. GRIFFIN	5154.			SOUTH AFRICA

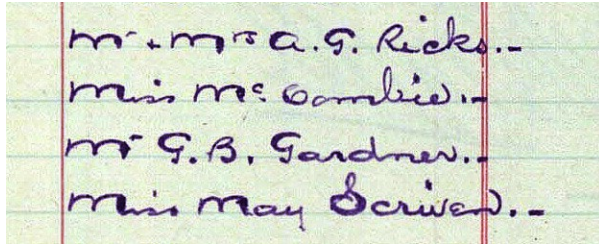
NO. 12438. S. & P. E.

I hereby Certify that the Provisions actually laden on Board this Ship are sufficient, according to the requirements of the Passengers' Act, for _____ Statute Adults, for a Voyage of _____ days.

Date 4 November 1899 (Signature) [Signature] Master.

NAMES AND DESCRIPTIONS OF PASSENGERS.

Port of Embarkation	No. of Cabin Ticket	Names of Passengers	Profession, Occupation or Calling of Passengers	ENGLISH						SCOTCH						IRISH						FOREIGNERS						Port at which Passengers have contracted to Land																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																			
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Mr. & Mrs. A. G. Ricks..
Miss McCombie..
Mr. G. B. Gardner..
Miss May Scriven..

Ceylon (modern day Sri Lanka)

~ 7 November 1901

According to a passenger list for the ship "S.S. Shropshire", G. B. Gardner and Miss McCombie sailed from Marseilles, France on 7 November 1901 and went to Colombo, Ceylon.

From the passenger list of the S.S. Shropshire:

Bibby Line

Passenger List of the Twin S.S. "Shropshire,"

From Liverpool for Marseilles, Egypt, Colombo & Rangoon.

Sailed from Liverpool, 31st Oct., 1901

Sailing from Marseilles, 7 Nov., 1901

Commander..... E. Parker.

Per S.S. "Shropshire."

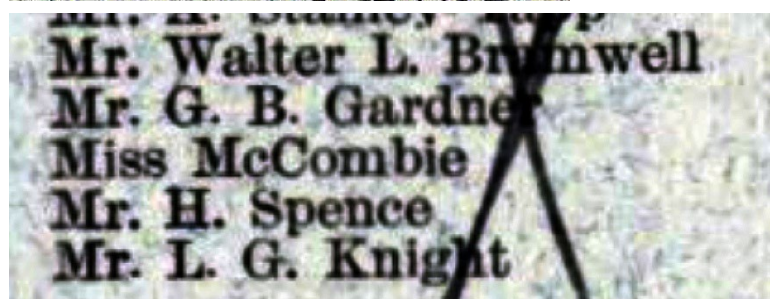
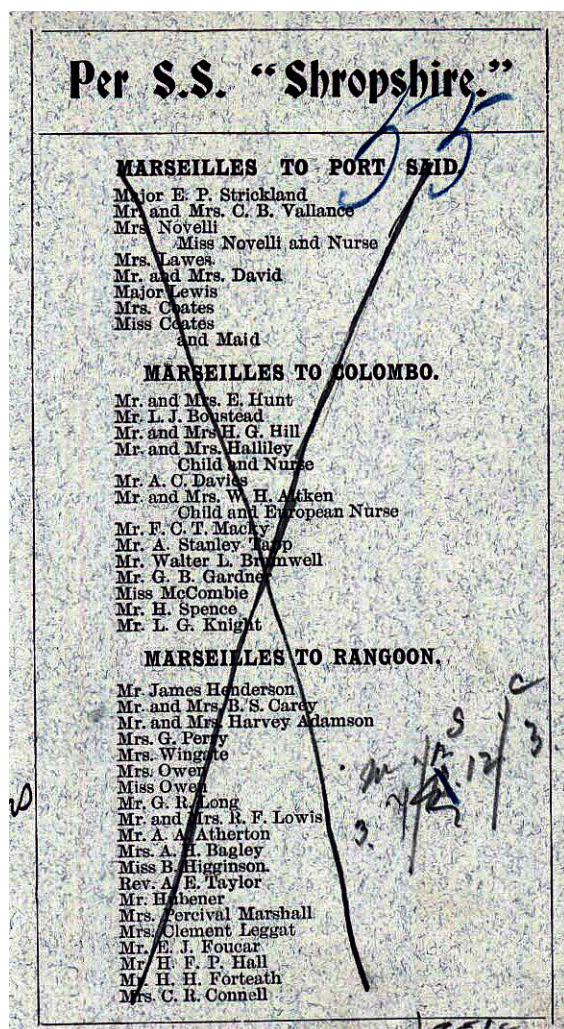
MARSEILLES TO COLOMBO

Mr. G. B. Gardner

Miss McCombie

Images of parts of the record:





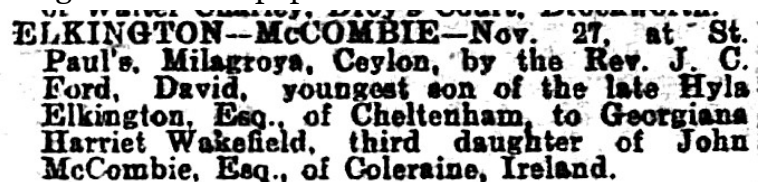
~ **27 November 1901**

Georgiana Harriet Wakefield McCombie married David Elkington on 27 November 1901 at St. Paul's, Milagroya, Ceylon.

From the newspaper, Cheltenham Chronicle, Saturday 21 December 1901, page 2. Marriages.

ELKINGTON - McCOMBIE --- Nov. 27, at St. Paul's, Milagroya, Ceylon, by the Rev. J. C. Ford, David, youngest son of the late Hyla Elkington, Esq., of Cheltenham, to Georgiana Harriet Wakefield, third daughter of John McCombie, Esq., of Coleraine, Ireland.

Image of the newspaper article:



~ 24 January 1902

David Elkington was mentioned in his father's Will.

From the newspaper, The Citizen, Gloucester, Friday, January 24, 1902:

A CHELTENHAM WILL.

The estate of the late Mr. Hyla Elkington, of Quince Lawn, Cheltenham, has been valued at £107,325. Testator bequeathed to his widow £500, his household effects, horses and carriages, and an annuity of £1,200. He bequeathed his sporting guns and rifles and his fishing rods and tackle to his son Hyla Garrett Elkington, and he left the residue of his property in trust for his sons Hyla, John Egbert, and David Elkington, and for his two daughters, but the shares of his said son David and of his daughter Grace Elizabeth Ward, in favour of whom he had settled £5,000, are to be less by £5,000 each than the share of each of his other children.

~ 1904

D. and Georgiana Elkington were mentioned in the 1904 Register of St. Peter's College in Radley.

He was a Tea-planter at Ladbroke Estate, Maskeliya, Ceylon.

From the book, St. Peter's College Radley, Register, 1847-1904:

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ADDITIONS, ETC.

164. Elkington, D.; add --- m. 1901 Georgiana Harriet Wakefield, 4th d. of the late John MacCombie, Esq., of Coleraine, Co. Derry; Tea-planter. Address ---Ladbroke Estate, Maskeliya, Ceylon

~ British India

~ 1912

According to the 1915 article mentioned below, D. Elkington purchased the Ripple Vale and the Ibex Lodge estates at Coonoor, India. At the estates, tea and coffee were grown there.

~ 1913

D. Elkington was listed at the Ibex Lodge in Coonoor, India.

From the Year Book of the Ceylon Agricultural Society for 1913.

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E

D. Elkington, Ibex Lodge, The Droog, Coonoor

Image of the record:

E.
R. M. Eckert, Madawala Estate, Matale
Percy. G. Edwards, Yoxford, Talawakele
P. M. Elias, Pamunuwa, Kadugannawa
D. Elkington, Ibex Lodge, The Droog, Coonoor
R. Huyshe Eliot, Norwood
Ellakande Estate, Horana

~ 1915

In a history about Southern India in 1915, there was mentioned a Mr. D. Elkington and his Tea and Coffee estates, the Ripple Vale and Ibex Lodge.

From the Southern India, Its History:

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SOUTHERN INDIA

RIPPLE VALE AND IBEX LODGE

Ibex Lodge, the residence of Mr. D. Elkington, the owner of Ripple Vale and Ibex Lodge Hill estates, is so called from the fact that it faces the well-known Ibex Hill, on the rugged heights of which ibex are frequently seen, from the bungalow which stands some 5,700 ft. above sea-level.

The property consists of 350 acres of useful tea land, and about 176 acres and 20 acres respectfully are cultivated for the growing of tea and coffee. The earliest tea plants were put down by the late Mr. William Mullaly in the year 1864, and these are still vigorous, whilst Mr. Elkington, who purchased the estates in 1912, after spending some seventeen years as a tea-planter in Ceylon, is annually adding to the acreage already under this product. The teas are packed in full and half-chests, and are sold on the Colombo market under the name of "Ibex Lodge." The factory in which they are made is a thoroughly modern structure, and it is the first three-storied building to be erected for this purpose on the Nilgiri Hill. It is equipped with a 10-h.p. liquid fuel engine (Rustin, Proctor & Co.), "Economic," "Rapid," and "Little Giant" rolling machines, two Davidson's Siroccos, and sifters. The average annual yield of dry tea is between 400 and 500 lb. to the acre, but this is likely to increase under the policy of clean cultivation and manuring which the proprietor adopts.

The cultivation of coffee in Southern India has depressed considerably in recent years owing to the prevalence of "green bug," but this pest has not been trouble-some on Ibex Hill, and fair crops of exceptionally delicately flavoured high-grown Nilgiri coffee are secured, which are sold to local buyers as "parchment," though a portion is reserved which is sold as "beans" at Rs. 1 per lb., post free to inquirers.

The proprietor is ably assisted by his writer, Mr. A. Venkataswami Moodelliar, and he employs about 150 hands permanently.

Large game is to be found in the districts; tigers, panthers, bears, and also small game, such as woodcock, quail, jungle, and spur fowl and hares.

The rainfall, the figures of which have been kept on the estate since 1888, averages 7.5 in. Ripple Vale is 7 miles distant from Coonor post office, and is 4 miles by road from the Nilgiris railway at Kartary Road station.

~ 1916

D. Elkington was listed at Coonoor, India.

From the Ceylon Agricultural Society, Year Book, 1916:

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E.

D. Elkington, Ibex Lodge, The Droog, Coonoor

~ 1918

D. Elkington was listed at Coonoor, India.

From the Thacker's Indian Directory:

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TEA ESTATES.

IBEX LODGE TEA ESTATE --- Post and Tel. Office, Coonoor (7 miles Ry. Stn, 4 miles Katari). Gardens --- Ripple Vale and Ibex Hill, Acreage [200?]. Elevation, 5,750 ft. Mabg. Propr., D. Elkington.

~ 3 September 1920

David and "Georgina" H. W. Elkington were listed as passengers on a list dated 3 September 1920 of the ship Osterley. They boarded the ship at Colombo, Ceylon and sailed to Plymouth, Devon where they got off.

From the UK and Ireland, Incoming Passenger Lists:

Name of Ship - Osterley

Date of Arrival - Sep 3rd 1920

Port of Arrival - London

Name of Ship - Osterley Port of Arrival - London

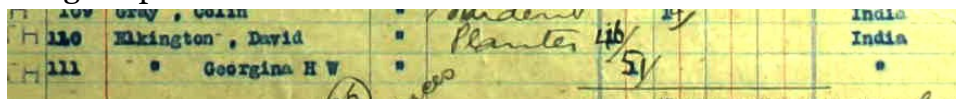
Steamship Line - Orient Company Whence Arrived - Brisbane

Port of Embarkation / Port at which Passengers have been landed / ---- / Name of Passengers / Class / Profession / Age & Sex / Country of Last Permanent Residence / Country of Intended Future Permanent Residence

Colombo / Plymouth / 110 / Elkington, David / 1st / Planter / 46 M / India / "England" check marked

" / Plymouth / 111 / " Georgina H W / " / ----- / 51 F / " / "England" check marked

Image of part of the record:



110	Elkington, David	Planter	46 M	India	England
111	Georgina H W				

~ 1923

In a St. Peter's College directory for Radley, David and Georgiana Elkington were listed in 1923.

From the St. Peter's College Radley, Register 1847-1923:

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Elkington, David (Mr. Vincent, B.)

Son of Hyla Elkington, Selly Wood, Selly Oak, Birmingham; C. xi 1891; F. xi 1891; G. C. 1891; G. V. 1892; left 1892; Tea-planting in Ceylon 1895-1911; in the Nilghiris from 1912,

m. Georgiana H. W., d. of the late John MacCombie, of Coleraine, co. Derry. Clubs: - Junior Athenaeum; Primrose
Ibex Lodge, Coonoor, South India

~ 4 March 1926

David and "Georgina" Elkington were listed as passengers on a list dated 4 March 1926 for the ship Ranpura. They got on board the ship at Port Said, Egypt and sailed to Plymouth, Devon where they got off.

From the UK and Ireland, Incoming Passenger Lists:

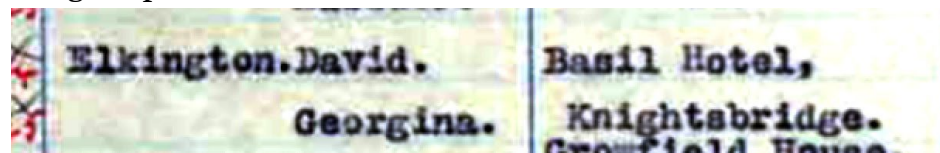
Name of Ship - RANPURA Port of Arrival - LONDON Date of Arrival - 4th. March 1926
Steamship Line - P. & O. S. N. Coy

Port of Embarkation / Port at which Passengers have been landed / Names of Passengers / Proposed Address in the United Kingdom / Class / Profession / Age & Sex / Country of Last Permanent Residence / Country of Intended Future Permanent Residence

Port Said / PLYMOUTH / Elkington, David. / Basil Hotel, Knightsbridge. / 1st. / Planter / 52 M / India / "England" check marked

" / PLYMOUTH / ["] Georgina. / [" "] / " / ----- / 57 F / " / "England" check marked

Image of part of the record:



~ 27 March 1927

David and "Georgina" Elkington were listed on a passenger list dated 27 March 1927 for the ship Mauritania. They boarded the ship at Alexandria, Egypt and sailed to Southampton, Hampshire where they got off.

From the UK and Ireland, Incoming Passenger Lists:

Name of Ship - MAURITANIA Port of Arrival - SOUTHAMPTON Date of Arrival - 27th, March 1927.

Steamship Line - CUNARD Whence Arrive - ALEXANDRIA

Names and Descriptions of British Passengers.

Port of Embarkation / Port at which Passengers have been landed / Names of Passengers / Proposed Address in the United Kingdom / Class / Profession / Age & Sex / Country of Last Permanent Residence / Country of Intended Future Permanent Residence

Alexandria / Southampton 28 / ELKINGTON David / Seabourne, Fawley, Hereford. / 2nd / Tea Planter / 53 M / S. India / "Other Parts of The British Empire" check marked
" / " 29 / ELKINGTON Georgina / do / " / Housewife / 58 F / do / "Other Parts of The British Empire" check marked

~ 12 November 1927

Mr. D. and Mrs. Elkington were listed on a passenger list dated 12 November 1927 for the ship Orama. They boarded the ship in London and sailed to Colombo, Ceylon.

From the UK and Ireland, Outward Passenger Lists:

Name of Ship - "ORAMA" Date of Departure - 12th November 1927

Steamship Line - ORIENT. Where Bound - AUSTRALIA.

Names and Descriptions of British Passengers Embarked at the Port of London.

Contract Ticket Number. / Names of Passengers. / Last Address in the United Kingdom. / Class. / Port at which Passengers have contracted to land. / Occupation. / Age & Sex. / Country of Last Permanent Residence. / Country of Intended Future Permanent Residence.

554 / Elkington Mr D. / Basil Street Hotel, Knightsbridge, SW. / 1st / Colombo / Nil / 58 M / "England" check marked / England

["] / do Mrs. / - do - / " / do / ----- / 52 F / "England" check marked / do

~ 10 November 1928

Mr. D. and Mrs. G. H. Elkington were listed on a passenger list dated 10 November 1928 for the ship Orama. They boarded the ship in London and sailed to Port Said, Egypt where they got off.

From the UK and Ireland, Outward Passenger Lists:

Name of Ship - "ORAMA" Date of Departure - 10th November 1928

Steamship Line - ORIENT. Where Bound - AUSTRALIA.

Names and Descriptions of British Passengers Embarked at the Port of London.

Contract Ticket Number. / Names of Passengers. / Last Address in the United Kingdom. / Class. / Port at which Passengers have contracted to land. / Occupation. / Age & Sex. / Country of Last Permanent Residence. / Country of Intended Future Permanent Residence.

WE662 / Elkington Mr D. / Seabournes, Fawley, Herefordshire / 1st / Port Said / Nil /
54 M / "England" check marked / England
[""] / do Mrs G. H. / - do - / " / do / --- / 54 F / "England" check marked / England

~ 14 February 1929

Mr. D. and Mrs. G. H. Elkington were listed on a passenger list dated 14 February 1929 on the ship Orama. They boarded the ship at Port Said, Egypt and sailed to Plymouth, Devon where they got off.

From the UK and Ireland, Incoming Passenger Lists:

Date of Arrival - 14th February 1929

Name of Ship - ORAMA Port of Arrival - LONDON Date of Arrival - (blank on this page)

Steamship Line - Orient Steam Nav Co Ltd Whence Arrived - Brisbane via ports

Names and Descriptions of British Passengers.

Port of Embarkation / Port at which Passengers have been landed / Names of Passengers / Proposed Address in the United Kingdom / Class / Profession / Age & Sex / Country of Last Permanent Residence / Country of Intended Future Permanent Residence

Pt Said / PLYMOUTH 366 / Elkington Mr D / Seabournes Fawley Hereford / 1st / ret
tea plntr / 55 M / England / "England" check marked

do / PLYMOUTH 367 / Elkington Mrs G H / do / " / H D / 59 F / do / "England"
check marked

~ 7 June 1929

There was a marriage of a Christopher Gardner and Miss Valdez Ward and they had the reception at Seabournes the residence of Mr. and Mrs. David Elkington.

From the newspaper, Western Mail, Cardiff, Friday, June 7, 1929. Page 6.

GARDNER—WARD.

There was a large congregation at St. John the Baptist Church, Much Fawley, Ross, on Thursday, when Mr. Christopher Gardner was married to Miss Valdez Ward, of Sellack. The Rev. H. E. Mason (vicar of Sellack) officiated. The bride, whas [sic] was given away by her uncle, Mr. Hyla Elkngton, wore a gold lace gown, with a veil of Honiton lace inherited from her maternal grandmother. She was attended by two little pages --- Michael and Peter Winter --- attired in yellow and white. The bridegroom was accompanied by Mr. Winter as best man. The reception was held at Seabournes, the residence of Mr. and Mrs. David Elkington.

Image of the article:



~ 9 November 1929

Mr. D. and Mrs. G. H. Elkington were listed on a passenger list dated 9 November 1929 for the ship Orama. They boarded the ship in London, England and sailed to Port Said, Egypt where they got off.

From the UK and Ireland, Outward Passenger Lists:

Name of Ship - "ORAMA" Date of Departure - 9th November 1929

Steamship Line - ORIENT. Where Bound - AUSTRALIA.

Names and Descriptions of British Passengers Embarked at the Port of London.

Contract Ticket Number. / Names of Passengers. / Last Address in the United Kingdom. / Class. / Port at which Passengers have contracted to land. / Occupation. / Age & Sex. / Country of Last Permanent Residence. / Country of Intended Future Permanent Residence.

WE352 / Elkington Mr D. / Seabournes, Fawley, Hereford. / 1st / Port Said / Nil / 55 M / "England" check marked / England

["] / do Mrs G. H. / - do - / " / do / ----- / 60 F / "England" check marked / do /

~ 13 February 1930

Mr. D. and Mrs. G. Elkington were listed on a passenger list dated 13 February 1930 for the ship Orama. They boarded the ship at Port Said, Egypt and sailed to Plymouth, Devon where they got off.

From the UK and Ireland, Incoming Passenger Lists:

Name of Ship - ORAMA Port of Arrival - LONDON (TILBURY)

Date of Arrival - 13th., Feb. 1930

Steamship Line - Orient Steam Navigation Co. Ltd. Whence Arrived - Brisbane & Ports.

Names and Descriptions of British Passengers.

Port of Embarkation / Port at which Passengers have been landed / Names of Passengers / Proposed Address in the United Kingdom / Class / Profession / Age & Sex / Country of Last Permanent Residence / Country of Intended Future Permanent Residence

Pt Sd 77 / PLYMOUTH / Elkington Mr D. / Seabourne, Fawley Hereford. / 1st / Planter / 55 M / England / "England" check marked

" 78 / PLYMOUTH / Elkington Mrs. G. / - do - / " / Home Duties / 59 F / -do- / "England" check marked

England

Note: It appears that the Elkingtons were living in both England and India for a while since the 1920's. However, the records of them traveling on ships ceased in 1930. So we can say that 1931 would be when they were in England permanently.

~ 1931

David and Georgiana Harriet Elkington were listed at 12 South Eaton Place in Westminster, London.

From the London Electoral Registers:

Westminster 1931

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City of Westminster. Knightsbridge St. George's Ward. (P2)

12 South Eaton Place, S.W. 1

4543	R	O	Elkington, David --- SJ	12
4544	Rw	Dw	Elkington, Georgiana Harriet	12
4545	R	---	Maguire, Austin	12
4546	Rw	---	Maguire, Rose (Mrs.)	12

~ 1933

David and Georgiana Harriet Elkington were listed at 12 South Eaton Place in Westminster, London.

From the London Electoral Registers:

Westminster 1933

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City of Westminster Knightsbridge St. George's Ward. (P2)

12 South Eaton Place, S.W. 1

4550	R	O	Elkington, David	12
4551	Rw	Dw	Elkington, Georgiana Harriet	12
4552	R	---	Maguire, Austin	12
4553	Rw	---	Maguire, Rose (Mrs.)	12

~ 1935

David and Georgiana Harriet Elkington were listed at 12 South Eaton Place in Westminster, London.

From the London Electoral Registers:

Westminster 1935

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City of Westminster Knightsbridge St. George's Ward. (P2)

12 South Eaton Place, S.W. 1

4370	R	O	Elkington, David	12
4371	Rw	Dw	Elkington, Georgiana Harriet	12
4372	R	---	Maguire, Austin	12
4373	Rw	---	Maguire, Rose (Mrs.)	12

~ 1936

David and Georgiana Elkington were listed at Basil Street Hotel on Basil Street, Chelsea, London.

From the London Electoral Registers:

Chelsea 1936

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Polling District E (No. 5, Hans Town).

(Part of) Basil Street

Basil Street Hotel

78	R	---	Elkington, David
79	Rw	---	Elkington, Georgiana

~ 1937

David and Georgiana Elkington were listed at Basil Street Hotel on Basil Street, Chelsea, London.

From the London Electoral Registers:

Chelsea 1937

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Polling District E (No. 5, Hans Town).

(Part of) Basil Street

Basil Street Hotel

83	R	---	Elkington, David
84	Rw	---	Elkington, Georgiana

~ 1938

David and Georgiana Elkington were listed at Basil Street Hotel on Basil Street, Chelsea, London.

From the London Electoral Registers:

Chelsea 1938

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Polling District E (No. 5, Hans Town).

(Part of) Basil Street

Basil Street Hotel

88	R	---	Elkington, David
89	Rw	---	Elkington, Georgiana

~ 1939

David and Georgiana Elkington were listed at Basil Street Hotel on Basil Street, Chelsea, London.

From the London Electoral Registers:

Chelsea 1939

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Polling District E (No. 5, Hans Town).

(Part of) Basil Street, S.W.3

Basil Street Hotel

84	R	---	Elkington, David
85	Rw	---	Elkington, Georgiana

~ also in 1939

In 1939, the Elkingtons left London to go to Bournemouth as the threat of World War II has begun and the fears that London may be bombed by Germans. Also Gerald Gardner was living in Highcliffe, Hampshire at the time.

David and Georgiana H. W. Elkington were living at East Cliff Mansions on Grove Road in Bournemouth, Hampshire.

David Elkington was listed as a Retired Tea Planter.

From the 1939 Register of Bournemouth, Hampshire:

No. of Schedule 340

Grove Road East Cliff Mansions

Schedule Sub. No. / Name / Sex / Birth date / Marital status / Occupation

7 / Elkington, David / M / 2nd Sept 74 / M / Retired Tea Planter

8 / Elkington, Georgiana H. W. / F / 14 Mar 69 (right above it is written later 14-3-60) / M / Unpaid Domestic Duties

Image of part of the record:

A photograph of a handwritten entry from the 1939 Register. The entry is for David Elkington, a male, born 2nd Sept 74, married, and a Retired Tea Planter. His wife, Georgiana H. W. Elkington, is listed as an unpaid domestic duties worker, born 14th Mar 69. The record is handwritten in blue ink on a yellowed, grid-lined form. There are some corrections and additional notes in blue ink, including a checkmark next to David's name and a correction of the date for Georgiana from 14-3-60 to 14th Mar 69.

Schedule Sub. No.	Name	Sex	Birth date	Marital status	Occupation
7	Elkington, David	M	2nd Sept 74	M	Retired Tea Planter
8	Elkington, Georgiana H. W.	F	14th Mar 69	M	Unpaid Domestic Duties

~ 12 December 1939

David Elkington died at the age of 65 on 12 December 1939 at 25 Grove Road East, Bournemouth, Hampshire.

From the Death Certificate:

Registration District - Bournemouth.

1939. Deaths in the Sub-District of Bournemouth East in the County Borough of Bournemouth.

No. / When and Where Died. / Name. / Sex. / Age. / Profession. / Cause of Death. / Informant. / When Registered. / Signature of Registrar. / (note written on right margin)

108 / Twelfth December 1939. 25 Grove Road East U. D. / David Elkington / Male / 65 years / Retired Tea Planter. / 1a. Carcinoma Apex of right lung. Certified by Maitland Scott M. B. / Hyla G. Elkington, Brother, 37 Brant Green Road, Ryde, 3 Rednal,

Birmingham. / Thirteenth December 1939. / L. M. Werry Easterbrook. Registrar / Three L.M.W.E.

Image of part of the record:

108	Twelfth December 1939. 25 Grove Road East W.D.	David Elkington	Male	65 years	Retired Tea Planter.
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~ 1945

Georgiana Elkington was listed at 46 Roland Gardens in Kensington, London.

From the London Electoral Registers:

Kensington 1945

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Polling District WW --- Redcliffe Ward

46 Roland Gardens

1689 Elkington, Georgina 46

~ 11 March 1945

Georgiana Harriet Elkington died at the age of 80 years on 11 March 1945 at 46 Roland Gardens in Kensington, London.

From the Death Certificate:

Registration District - Kensington.

1945. Deaths in the Sub-District of Kensington South in the Royal Borough of Kensington (Metropolitan Borough).

No. / When and Where Died. / Name. / Sex. / Age. / Profession. / Cause of Death. / Informant. / When Registered. / Signature of Registrar.

56 / Eleventh March 1945 46 Roland Gardens / Georgiana Harriet Elkington / Female / 80 years / Widow of David Elkington Tea planter / I (a) Carcinoma Breast - (Left) Certified by Clifford Chance M. B. / P. A. Elkington niece in attendance 23 Allracey Road Bedford / Thirteenth March 1945 / A [?] Sinclair Smith Interim Registrar

Image of part of the record:

No.	When and Where Died.	Name and Surname.	Sex.	Age.	Rank or Profession.
56	Eleventh March 1945	Georgiana Harriet Elkington	Female	80 years	Widow of David Elkington Teaplaster.
	46 Roland Gardens				

From the England & Wales, National Probate Calendar:

Page 64 - 1945

ELKINGTON Georgina Harriet Wakefield of St. Thomas Home 40 Roland-gardens London S.W.7 widow died 11 March 1945 Probate Birmingham 21 June to Christopher Garrett Elkington D.S.O. retired colonel T. A. H.M. army and Katharine Valdez Gardner married woman.

Effects £ 21570 2s. 6d.

Image of the record:

ELKINGTON Georgina Harriet Wakefield of St. Therasas Home
40 Roland-gardens **London S.W.7** widow died 11 March
1945 Probate **Birmingham** 21 June to Christopher Garrett
Elkington D.S.O. retired colonel T.A. H.M. army and
Katharine Valdez Gardner married woman.
Effects £21570 2s. 6d.

From the Will:

(parts of it extracted for here)

This is my Last Will and Testament of me Georgiana Harriet Wakefield Elkington of Eastcliff Mansions Bournemouth in the Count y of Hants Widow

1. I revoke all former Wills and testamentary dispositions made by me
2. I appoint my nephews Christopher Garrett Elkington and Laurence Garrett Elkington and my niece Katherine Valdez Gardner (hereinafter called "my trustees") to be executors and trustees of this my will
3. I bequeath the following pecuniary legacies free of duty: -
 - (a) To my nurse Lilian Charlotte Cooper if in my employ and not under notice given or received at the time of my death the sum of Five hundred pounds

(b) To Gerald Brasseau Gardner the son of William Robert Gardner the sum of Five hundred pounds

.... In witness whereof I have to this my last will set my hand this 18th day of January one thousand and nine hundred and forty ...

The Will was granted on 21st day of June 1945.

Image of part of the record:

~~THIS IS THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of me GEORGIANA HARRIET~~
~~WAKEFIELD ELKINGTON of Eastcliff Mansions Bournemouth in the~~
~~County of Hants Widow~~
~~1. I REVOKE all former wills and testamentary dispositions made~~
~~by me~~
~~2. I APPOINT my nephews Christopher Garrett Elkington and~~
~~Laurence Garrett Elkington and my niece Katherine Valdez~~
~~Gardner (hereinafter called "my Trustees") to be EXECUTORS AND~~
~~TRUSTEES of this my Will~~
~~3. I BEQUEATH the following pecuniary legacies free of duty:-~~
~~(a) To my nurse Lillian Charlotte Cooper if in my employ and~~
~~not under notice given or received at the time of my death~~
~~the sum of Five hundred pounds~~
~~(b) To Gerald Brasseau Gardner the son of William Robert~~
~~Gardner the sum of Five hundred pounds~~

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