

## Lionel Egremont Anscombe – Doris & Family

It seems that Doris was probably pregnant with her first child when she married Lionel as the wedding took place on 21<sup>st</sup> August 1913 and Gilbert Eric was born on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 1914. In fact Doris must have left India not long after her marriage because Gilbert was born at his grandparents' house in Brixton.

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BAPTISMS solemnized in the Parish of <u>S<sup>t</sup> Mary, Lambeth</u> in the County of <u>London</u> in the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and <u>fourteen</u> .						
When Baptized.	Child's Christian Name.	Parents' Names.		Abode.	Quality, Trade, or Profession.	By whom the Ceremony was performed.
		Christian.	Surname.			
1914 April 5 <sup>th</sup>  No. 1784	Gilbert Eric	Lionel Madeline Doris	Anscombe	56 Brixton Brixton	Hotel Assisano Banayn	Thos Jap Favre Rice

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Gibert Eric Anscombe Birth & Baptism

Although Lionel's name is on the baptism record as the father I don't believe he actually left India. Doris makes at least two more trips to England and back on her own, so she must have been comfortable with making the long journey by sea.

I have not been able to find details of when Doris and Gilbert returned to India but they presumably did because in April 1919 Lionel and Doris's second son, Alfred Peter was born. The only record I could find is for his christening which took place at Shimla. From this we can assume that Lionel was still working in the Shimla area

<b>Lionel Edward Anscombe</b> mentioned in the record of Alfred Peter Anscombe		<b>Record Collection:</b> India Births and Baptisms, 1786-1947
Name:	Lionel Edward Anscombe	
Sex:	Male	<b>Document Information:</b> GS Film Number 527558 Digital Folder Number 005138310 Indexing Project (Batch) Number C75049-5 System Origin EASY Record Number 489
Wife:	Doris Madeline	
Son:	Alfred Peter Anscombe	<b>Citing this Record</b> "India Births and Baptisms, 1786-1947", database, FamilySearch (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:HGJN-3Z3Z : 5 February 2020), Lionel Edward Anscombe in entry for Alfred Peter Anscombe, 1919.
<b>Other information in the record of Alfred Peter Anscombe</b> from India Births and Baptisms, 1786-1947		
Name:	Alfred Peter Anscombe	<b>Similar Historical Records</b> No similar records were found.
Event Type:	Christening	
Event Date:	13 Jun 1919	
Event Place:	Simla-Calcutta, West Bengal, India	
Event Place (Original):	Simla, Bengal, India	
Gender:	Male	
Birth Date:	3 Apr 1919	
Father's Name:	Lionel Edward Anscombe	
Mother's Name:	Doris Madeline	

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Lionel and Doris's son, Gilbert Eric, also known as George, wrote some notes about his family for his children and mentions the birth of his brothers in those notes. *"Never met my Anscombe grandfather & by the time I was 4 or 5 my grandmother had remarried a Calcutta businessman, I think called Baldwin. I used to accompany my mother to Calcutta each time she had her other sons, Peter and Fred."* The grandmother referred to here is Lionel's mother Amelia Agnes Anscombe (nee Mulcahy) who remarried after Lionel's father's death in 1898. More detail can be found in 'Clement Silas Anscombe 1858 - 1898.pdf'. From this we can assume that Doris and her son would stay with Lionel's mother when in Calcutta, before, during and after the birth of his brothers.

We can see that not long after Peter's christening Doris, Eric and Peter were back in Calcutta to board the SS City of London to visit her parents in London again.

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Ship **S.S. "CITY OF LONDON"** Port of Arrival **London**  
 Ship Line **Guthrie & Co. Ltd.**

Date of Arrival **Oct 1919**  
 Whence Arrived **Calcutta**

# NAMES AND DESCRIPTIONS OF BRITISH PASSENGERS.

(1) Port at which Passengers have been landed	(2) NAMES OF PASSENGERS	(3) CLASS (Whichever may be indicated)	(4) Profession, Occupation or Calling of Passengers  In the case of First Class Passengers the residence need not be filled up	(5) AGES OF PASSENGERS Except in First Class (Passengers, state the sex and date of birth)	(6) Country of last Permanent Residence	(7) Country of Intended Future Permanent Residence									
				Adults of 15 years and upwards	Children Between 1 and 14	Infants									
				Male	Female	Male									
				Male	Female	Female									
Calcutta	London	Mr James Horne	1st	Sea Captain	29			India							
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44	"	Mr James Horne		"	29										

Doris Anscombe & sons Calcutta - London 1919

Incidentally it's interesting to note that the family seem to have a tradition of using their second Christian name rather than the first. Madeline Doris refers to herself as Doris in all but the most formal situations and Alfred Peter is recorded as Peter. Gilbert Eric is referred to here as Eric although in later life, according to a direct descendant, Robert Humphries, he was only ever known as George. From now on in this note I will use those names to refer to these individuals. Robert also informed me that the Gilbert in George's name was after his uncle, Gilbert Allen Henry Anscombe, who died in Mesopotamia (Iraq) in the First World War (see 'Gilbert Allen Henry Anscombe - 1886 - 1917.pdf' for more details).

From George's note we also know that visiting her parents was not the only objective of the trip. *"Gwen, who was a nurse in the 1<sup>st</sup> War married a Dr Clayton-Allen about 1919. My first memory of a ship and of returning to England, where I was born; my mother and I accompanied and chaperoned Gwen on her return to get married."* Gwen is Lionel's sister Gwendoline Winifred Elaine Anscombe. In fact in the passenger list we can see that she had taken her step-father's surname and is listed as Miss Gwendoline Win Baldwin. More detail about the wedding and Gwen's life can be found in "Gwendoline Winifred Elaine Anscombe – 1889 – 1962.pdf"



It's interesting to note that on the 'homeward' journey in 1919 the family travelled first class. Returning to India they travelled second class. Also they travelled from Liverpool to Bombay, leaving Liverpool on 27<sup>th</sup> August 1920.

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Name of Ship City of Calcutta Date of Departure 27 AUG 1920 19 21 P M.

Steamship Line Hall Line Ltd Where bound Bombay & Karachi

NAMES AND DESCRIPTIONS OF **BRITISH** PASSENGERS EMBARKED AT THE PORT OF Liverpool

(1) Contract Ticket Number.	(2) NAMES OF PASSENGERS.	(3) CLASS. (First, 1st, 2nd or 3rd).	(4) Port at which Passengers have contracted to land.	(5) Profession, Occupation or Calling of Passengers.  In the case of First Class Passengers this column need not be filled up.	(6) AGES OF PASSENGERS. Except for First Class Passengers state the age last birthday.						(7) Country of last Permanent Residence.†						(8) Country of Intended Future Permanent Residence.†				
					Adults of 12 years and upwards.		Children between 1 and 12.		Infants.		England.		Wales.		Scotland.			Ireland.		British Possessions.	
					Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	
	Mr A. Allison	2nd	Bombay	Loco Engineer.			37.														India
	Mrs Doris Anscombe						31														
	Eric Anscombe						6														
	Peter Anscombe						1														
	Mrs B M W Beatty						43														
	Mr Patrick Frank Blake						37.														
	Mrs B. Anscombe						1.2														

Doris Anscombe & sons Liverpool – Bombay 1920

Presumably the family attended the Gwendoline and Richard's wedding in Belper, but in total they spent nearly a year in England. Presumably they spent most of the rest of their time at the home of Doris's parents at 56 Brailsford Road in Brixton. That is the address given on George's baptism record, which Doris gave when travelling to England again in 1925 and her father died there in 1933. So it's reasonable to assume they were still there in 1920.



56 Brailsford Road, Brixton

The house still exists and although it appears to be a rather strange design it does look as though it could accommodate quite a large, extended family. George mentions the house in his notes, "They lived on the edge of Brockwell Park on Tulse Hill. Tall 4 storey house." He was obviously struck by the unusual design of the house and, although the address is Brixton it is very close to Tulse Hill and Brockwell Park.

Lionel and Doris's third son, Frederick Alan was born on 29<sup>th</sup> June 1922 and christened there on 29<sup>th</sup> July.



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<b>Lionel Egremont Anscombe</b> mentioned in the record of Frederick Alan Anscombe	
Name: Lionel Egremont Anscombe Sex: Male Wife: Madeline Doris Son: Frederick Alan Anscombe	Record Collection: India Births and Baptisms, 1786-1947
<b>Other information in the record of Frederick Alan Anscombe</b> from India Births and Baptisms, 1786-1947	
Name: Frederick Alan Anscombe Event Type: Christening Event Date: 29 Jul 1922 Event Place: Bengal, India Event Place (Original): Calcutta, Bengal, India Gender: Male Birth Date: 29 Jun 1922 Father's Name: Lionel Egremont Anscombe Mother's Name: Madeline Doris	<b>Document Information:</b> GS Film Number: 527561 Digital Folder Number: 005138313 Indexing Project (Batch) Number: C75051-6 System Origin: EASY Record Number: 364
<b>Citing this Record</b> "India Births and Baptisms, 1786-1947", database, FamilySearch (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:HGK7-2NZM : 5 February 2020), Lionel Egremont Anscombe in entry for Frederick Alan Anscombe, 1922.	
<b>Similar Historical Records</b> No similar records were found.	

Frederick Alan was the exception that proved the rule as he seems to have been known as Fred.

Doris made a further trip to England, travelling from Bombay to Plymouth in 1925 and returning in 1926.

SHIP'S NAME	OFFICIAL NUMBER	STEAMSHIP LINE	REGISTERED TONNAGE	MASTER'S NAME	VOYAGE			
City of Manchester	115743	Ellerman's City Line	5536	Wm Ewing	From Bombay To Plymouth			
Date of Arrival 14 5 1925								
NAMES AND DESCRIPTIONS OF BRITISH PASSENGERS.								
(1) Port of Origin	(2) Port at which Passengers have been landed	(3) NAMES OF PASSENGERS	(4) Proposed Address in the United Kingdom	(5) CLASS	(6) Profession Occupation or Calling of Passengers	(7) AGES OF PASSENGERS. Adults of 15 years and upwards Children between 1 and 14 Infants under 1	(8) Country of last Permanent Residence	(9) Country of Intended Future Permanent Residence
Bombay	Plymouth	Mr. J. W. Keenan	77 Hymerston Ave High on Sea Essex	1st	Comptroller	27	India	X
do	do	(2) Mrs J. G. Johnson	Large Hill Freshwater Rd Paignton	1st	Married	36	do	* Returning India
do	do	(3) Mrs A. D. Standring	Leicester Bank	1st	Exhibitor	52	do	X
do	do	(4) Mrs C. Standring	15 Shore Blackpool	1st	Manager	47	do	X
do	do	(5) Mr. Reg. Locke	Manorville Rd. Worthing	1st	Merchant	38	do	* Returning India
do	do	(6) Mr. W. M. Sudgen	31 Radnor St. Oldham	1st	Writer	43	do	X
do	do	(7) Mrs. Eleanor Cooper	4 Mrs. Penrose Hill Woking	1st	Married	27	do	X
do	do	(8) Miss Margaret E. Cooper	10th St. Salford	1st	Daughter	10	do	X
do	do	(9) Mr. Henry Wood Clark	10th St. Salford	1st	Barman at hotel		do	X
do	do	(10) Mrs. Edith A. Clark	10th St. Salford	1st	Wife	36	do	X
do	do	(11) Mrs. R. P. Dalling	10th St. Salford	1st	Married	44	do	* Returning India
do	do	(12) Elizabeth Dalling	Manorville Rd. Worthing	1st	Daughter	10	do	X
do	do	(13) Clara Dalling	Manorville Rd. Worthing	1st	Daughter	8	do	* Returning India
do	do	(14) Mr. Robert Dalling	Manorville Rd. Worthing	1st	Daughter	7	do	X
do	do	(15) Mr. Royden Wilkinson	15 Pembroke Square London	1st	Indian Clerk		do	X
do	do	(16) Mrs. Margaret Wilkinson	15 Pembroke Square London	1st	do	40	do	X
do	do	(17) Mrs. S. Anscombe	15 Pembroke Square London	1st	Married	60	do	X
do	do	(18) Mr. David Anscombe	15 Pembroke Square London	1st	Son	10	do	X
do	do	(19) Mr. Robert Anscombe	15 Pembroke Square London	1st	Son	6	do	X
do	do	(20) Mr. David Anscombe	15 Pembroke Square London	1st	Son	4	do	X
do	do	(21) Mrs. Robert Anscombe	15 Pembroke Square London	1st	Married	29	do	X

Doris Anscombe & sons Bombay - Plymouth 1925



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Once again she was planning to stay with her parents in Brixton. However, there was a significant difference between the homebound and the outbound trips; in 1925 Doris had three sons with her, on the 1926 she only had two sons. Presumably this means that one of the objectives of the trip was for George to go to school in England. This is confirmed in George's notes when he says, "*My mother, with whom I had the perfect relationship, brought me home from India in 1926 to go to boarding school; then she returned to India...*"

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Name of Ship City of Lima

Date of Departure 27<sup>th</sup> February 1926

Steamship Line City

Where Bound Port Said, Bombay  
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Lunenburg.

**NAMES AND DESCRIPTIONS OF BRITISH PASSENGERS EMBARKED AT THE PORT OF**

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7) AGES OF PASSENGERS		(8) Country of last Permanent Residence*		(9) Country of Intended Future Permanent Residence*		
Contract Ticket No.	NAMES OF PASSENGERS	Last address in the United Kingdom	CLASS (Whether 1st, 2nd, or 3rd)	Port at which Passengers have contracted to land	Profession, Occupation, or Calling of Passengers	Adults of 13 years and upwards	Children	1 & 13				
						Accompanied by Husbands or Wives	Not accompanied by Husbands or Wives					
						Males	Females	Males	Females			
						Dutch	Wales	Ireland	Southern Ireland	Other parts of British Empire	Tenisee Countries	
	Mrs. J. Mason	Scarlett, Tanyford,	2 <sup>n</sup>	Bombay.	Homesick	1	6	3	.	.	.	Jussia.
	Mrs. Mors.	Parko.	✓	✓	Kentish.		30		1			✓
	A. C. Daniel.	109 Walmer Street,	✓	✓	Flour Miller.	39			1			✓
	Miss L. J. Walker.	Rushmore, Manchester	✓	✓	Wife.	26			1			✓
	C/o N. E. Walker Esq.	71 Apollo Rd., Sparkhill,	✓	✓	Nursing Sister.		39		1			✓
	Mrs. A. McEregor.	150 Cambridge Drive, Kalamunda, Western Australia.	✓	✓	Clerk.	35				1		✓
	Mrs. D. Ansonale.	c/o Mrs. Ward, St Beiden	✓	✓	Homesick Duties.	39			1			✓
	Chief Engineer.	ford Rd., Brixton London	✓	✓	Shipman.	6½			2			✓
	Miss R. Parker.	35 Comore Gardens	✓	✓	Homesick	21			1			✓

Doris Anscombe & sons Liverpool - Calcutta 1926

Interestingly once again Doris travels 1<sup>st</sup> class on the way 'home' and 2<sup>nd</sup> class on the return to India.

In the following year Doris was taken ill and died of heart disease on 29<sup>th</sup> April 1927. According to her probate record she died in the British Family Hospital in Kasauli which is between Ambala and Shimla. She was buried the same day in Kasauli Cemetery.

RETURN OF BURIALS AT KASALI (Being an extract from the Register of Burials.)														
When Died.				Christian name.	Surname.	Age.	Quality, Trade or Profession, &c., &c.	When Buried.			Cause of death.	Person by whom Buried.		
Serial No.	Year.	Month.	Day.					Year.	Month.	Day.		Name.	Designation.	Signature.
	1927	April	29 <sup>th</sup>	Coris Madeline	Ansecomb	37 yrs. 11 Mths.	Wife of Colonel Ansecomb Manager, Grand Hotel Kasauli.	1927	April	29 <sup>th</sup>	Unlucky stroke of Heart.	F. G. H. Tansling	Chaplain of Kasauli.	F. G. H. Tansling

Certified that the above which contains ~~entry~~ <sup>entries</sup> from the <sup>Register</sup> ~~entry~~ regard  
three months ending the <sup>month</sup> ~~month~~ day of <sup>June</sup> ~~June~~ 1927.

EXAMINED.

Dated the      day of      1927.

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Noted by  
Head Clerk  
District & Entry Office

Signature F. G. H. Tansling  
Designation Chaplain of Kasauli.

Madeline Doris Anscombe Burial

**ANSCOMBE** Madeline Doris of Parrys Hotel Ambala Cantonment India (wife of Lionel Egremont Anscombe) died 29 April 1927 at the British Family Hospital Kasauli India Administration (limited). **London** 8 November to Lionel Eric Ward architect and surveyor attorney of the said Lionel Egremont Anscombe. Effects £148 19s. 10d. in England.

Her burial record tells us that Lionel was, at that time, the Manager of the Grand Hotel in Kasauli and the fact that she was in the hospital there presumably means that the family were living in Kasauli at the time.

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However, her probate record gives her address as Parry's Hotel in Ambala Cantonment. It's possible that the two hotels were under the same ownership and Lionel moved between the two, but we don't have enough information to know exactly what the situation was.

This left Lionel with two young sons to look after. There is no information as to what happened to them in this period and we must assume that they weren't sent to school in England but stayed in India with their father.