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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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.



The record is a bit confusing but from what we know from George's notes he would have been born in Calcutta.

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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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.

Richard Clayton Allen was, amongst many other things a GP in Belper, Derbyshire. From his obituary in the British Medical Journal we learn that, "During the first world war he served in the R.A.M.C. in India." So this must have been when and how Gwendoline and Richard met.

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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Presumably the family attended the Gwendoline and Richard's wedding in Belper, but in total the 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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Doris made a further trip to England, travelling from Bombay to Plymouth in 1925 and returning in 1926.

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Doris Anscombe & sons Bombay - Plymouth 1925

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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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.