

The McCombie Family

Progress Report

While working on Gerald Gardner, I came across that newspaper record of the 1901 marriage of Georgiana Harriet Wakefield McCombie to David Elkington.

She is that "Com" Miss McCombie who took care of Gerald Gardner for years overseas since he was a kid till he became an adult in France and Ceylon.

From the marriage notice in the newspaper, we see that her father was John McCombie of Coleraine, Ireland.

So I was diverted to open another door...

After studying some records, I find that John McCombie was a proprietor of a newspaper business and a journalist in Coleraine, Londonderry, Ireland. He was also a printer and published a couple books. John McCombie started the Coleraine Chronicle in the 1840's.

He died in 1904. The 1901 census states that he was born in Ross shire.

Ross shire is in Scotland so they were a Scottish family that was living in Ireland.

~ 27 November 1901

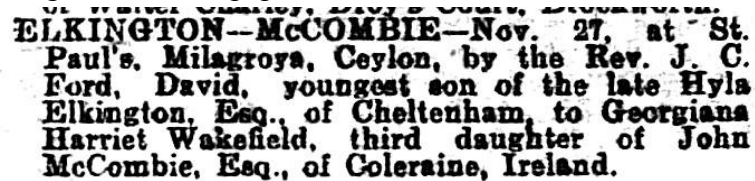
Georgiana Harriet Wakefield McCombie married David Elkington on 27 November 1901 at St. Paul's, Milagroya, Ceylon.

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:



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The birth of Georgiana H. W. McCombie happened before the start of Civil registration in Ireland.

But there are some bits of information about the family.

I believe that "Com" was the daughter (no names of the children were not mentioned in the newspapers) that was born in 14 November 1855. I think I saw in Philip Heselton's book that he has a Georgiana H. W. McCombie age 26 in the 1881 census. Will check it out next.

From the records, that I collected so far:

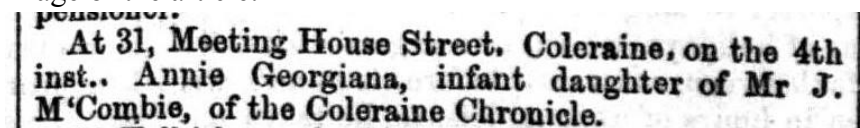
In 1852, there was a Annie Georgiana M'Combie that died on 4 November 1852, a daughter of Mr. J. M'Combie of the Coleraine Journal.

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.

Image of the article:



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x. 1852 death notice of Annie Georgiana M'Combie in the newspaper. John O'Groat Journal, 12 November 1852, page 3. British Newspaper Death & In Memoriam Notices, online at Findmypast.com. Searched on April 5, 2024 Friday 1:04 AM.

Irish Newspaper Birth Notices, online at Findmypast.com

Searched on April 5, 2024 Friday 1:31 AM.

Armagh Guardian, 16 October 1852, page 8.

BIRTHS.

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

Image of the record:

B I R T H S .
Sep. 30, at Bath, Lady Wade, of a daughter.
Oct. 3, at Coleraine, the wife of Mr. J. M'Combie,
Proprietor of the *Coleraine Chronicle*, of a daughter.
Oct. 5, at Coleraine, the wife of Mr. M'Combie, the wife of

~ 1854

British Newspaper Birth Notices, online at Findmypast.com

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(birth 10 Jan 1854)

Nairnshire Telegraph And General Advertiser For The Northern Counties

19 Jan 1854

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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.

Image of the article:

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(birth 14 Nov 1855)

John O' Groat Journal

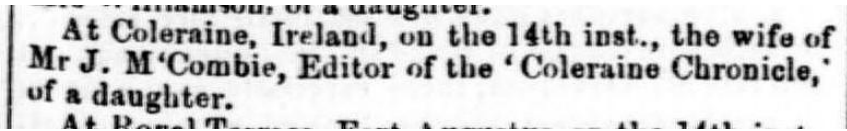
23 Nov 1855

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Coleraine Chronicle

06 Nov 1886

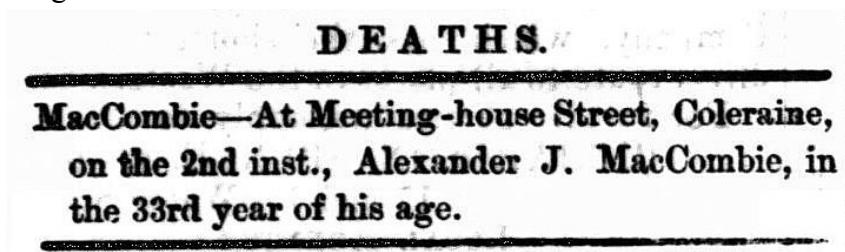
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(death 2 Nov 1886)

DEATHS.

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

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Londonderry Sentinel

02 Feb 1904

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(death 1 Feb 1904)

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Researched by William Wallworth

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