

## **The Kyezor Family - Documents**

### **Murder Most Foul – 1869**

(WARNING - There may be transcription errors in the following extracts from newspapers.)

The murder of Louis Kyezor (1796 – 1869). Mr. Kyezor was known as ‘The King of Whitton’ because of all the good things he had done for the area.

**N.B.** All the documents relating to this are in the annex to this document.

#### ***The Times, Tuesday October 12, 1869***

##### **SHOCKING TRAGEDY NEAR HOUNSLOW**

Yesterday a shocking tragedy was enacted near Hounslow, the victim being a gentleman of position and considerable influence in the neighbourhood. Situated midway between Twickenham and Hounslow is the quiet little village of Whitton, consisting of a very few houses, but well known as the site of the Royal Military Collage of Music, Kneller-hall. A great deal of the small house property in the hamlet is owned by a Jewish family named Kyezor, the principle of whom, Mr. Louis Kyezor, was the representative of his parish on the Twickenham Local Board, Quartermaster-Sergeant of the local Volunteer Corps, and a supporter of most of the institutions of the adjoining towns of Hounslow, Twickenham, Isleworth and Brentford. He was a man popular with the people, because of his energetic advocacy of what he designated "justice to the working people." His speeches were delivered at the various public gatherings were always animated, and at times extremely humorous. With the members of the rifle corps he was also unexceptionably popular, and he encouraged good shooting by award of many handsome prizes.

Adjoining Mr. Kyezor's residence is a row of cottages known as Kyezor's-Place, and at No. 13 in this row lived an old gentleman named Thomas Hyden Green, aged 82. Green was engaged formerly 50 years as a stamper at Somerset-house, but for the last few years he had been living on a pension at Whitton, being a tenant of Mr. Kyezor's. Lately the latter had reason to complain of a nuisance caused by Green, and had threatened to obtain the assistance of the magistrates unless the nuisance were abated. Green paid no attention to these threats, but as Mr. Kyezor had no wish to resort to extreme measures, he wrote to Green's friends, asking them to use their influence to persuade him to remove that was an eyesore to the neighbourhood. Green appears to have heard of this letter, and on Sunday night he was observed to take down three old horse pistols which he kept in the house, and to set about cleaning them. While testing one the hammer snapped, and he put that one on the side. After cleaning the other two he loaded them with heavy charges of large shot, and put them by again. His housekeeper asked what he intended to do with them, but he was apparently in a surly mood, told her to mind her own business. It had been customary with Mr. Kyezor to leave his house soon after 8 o'clock every morning, and to take a short walk round the village. Green appeared to be aware of this fact, for yesterday morning at 8 o'clock he posted himself by the side of the road, about a dozen yards from Mr. Kyezor's villa, having a loaded pistol in his pocket. At this time two labouring men were engaged in loading stones by the side of the road, and there were also some lads playing about near. Mr. Kyezor came out at about 20 minutes past 8 o'clock, and he had scarcely proceeded half a dozen yards then Green took the pistol from his pocket, levelled it at Mr. Kyezor, and shot him in the abdomen. The unfortunate man fell to the earth as if dead. Green, with the smoking pistol still in his hand, rushed into his own house before anyone could stop him, snatched up the second loaded pistol, discharged the contents into his own heart, and fell to the ground a corpse. When our parcel was dispatched last night Mr. Kyezor was lingering in great agony, and his recovery is hopeless.

Another account states that Green has been ten years living in Whitton, and gave out that he had served in the Bengal navy, and attained the rank of captain. He was just two years junior of Mr. Kyezor, who was in his 73rd year. Green, who was frequently under the influence of drink, was possessed of independent means and lived comfortably in the four-bedroomed cottage which he rented from his victim. He was unmarried, and kept a housekeeper, an old woman named Crisp, who attended to his wants, Mr. Kyezor and Green appear to have had intervals of friendly intercourse, followed by sudden and unexpected quarrels. In the words of a villager at Whitton, who knew them both well, "they used to quarrel to-day and make up to-morrow," Mr. Kyezor had for a considerable period endeavoured in vain to induce the captain to abate or remove some nuisance connected with his house, and this was the cause of constant bickerings between them. The landlord, in fact, was anxious to get rid of his tenant, and had employed a man named Turnbull, who lived in the village, to write to Green's friends to induce him to give up possession of the cottage. The letters thus written do not appear to have had the desired effect, and accordingly on Saturday night last Green was served by Mr. Kyezor with some legal document - probably a notice to quit. Mr. Kyezor was in excellent spirits yesterday morning, for at a few minutes before 8 o'clock he went to the Prince Albert Inn and spoke to Mr. Syed Hassan, the proprietor, upon business; he then returned to his house for breakfast, and it was upon coming out to go to London by train that the murderous attack was made upon him. According to an eye-witness, Green must have watched his victim, for when the latter walked by Green went after him, and called out, "Mr. Kyezor, I want to speak to you." Mr. Kyezor took no notice, but kept on his way, upon which Green, following him more quickly, called out, "Then I will show you what I am going to do." Mr. Kyezor turned round at once and faced his assailant, who in an instant presented a pistol at Mr. Kyezor's stomach, and fired. Mr. Kyezor dropped down directly on his back, groaned, and cried out, "Oh! oh! I am dead! I am dead!" Green then walked backwards in the direction of his own house, keeping in his hands one of two pistols. As he was going backwards a lad named James Turnbull ran towards him, but Green managed to get inside the hall door, and holding it with his hand, cried out to Turnbull, at the same time presenting the pistol at him, "If you don't go away I will shoot you," and at the same moment slammed the door in his face. In the meantime some eight or nine working men, who were either passing by or standing on the road at the time, ran to the assistance of Mr. Kyezor and carried him to his own house. Green was found lying on his face in the house, the pistol under him. Three large single-barrelled pistols were found, all recently discharged. The unfortunate man placed the muzzle of the pistol to his left breast, and, as the doctor said, literally blew the heart out of his body. The pistols were old flint locks of the pattern known years ago as "jack" pistols, and had not been used for a long period of time. There were two bullet holes in the stomach of the wounded man, and through one of them the intestines are visible. Dr. Bernard Holt, of Charing-cross Hospital, examined the wounds last night, and he is of opinion that it is impossible Mr. Kyezor can recover. Drs. Chapman and Whitmarch have been unremitting in their attention to the wounded man, and in the whole neighbourhood much sympathy is felt for him.

# Louis M Keyzor (1852 – 1907) Unassisted Passage to Australia 1877

Marital Status: Single  
 Arrival Age: 25  
 Birth Year: abt 1852  
 Departure Date: 26<sup>th</sup> March 1877  
 Departure Place: London  
 Arrival Date: 15<sup>th</sup> June 1877  
 Arrival Place: Port Phillip Bay, Australia  
 Ship's Name: Romanoff  
 Ship's Master's Name: William Shepherd

## SCHEDULE B. FORM OF PASSENGER LIST.

Ship's Name.	Master's Name.	Tons per Register.	Aggregate number of separate feet in the several compartments set apart for Passengers, other than Cabin Passengers.	Total number of Stowage Adults, exclusive of Master, Crew, and Cabin Passengers, which the Ship can legally carry.	Where Bound.
<i>Romanoff</i>	<i>William Shepherd</i>	<i>1228</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>Port Phillip</i>

I HEREBY Certify that the Provisions actually laden on Board this Ship are sufficient, according to the requirements of the Passengers' Act, for *89* Statute Adults, for a Voyage of *130* Days.

Date *26<sup>th</sup> March 1877*

Signature *W Shepherd* Master.

## NAMES AND DESCRIPTIONS OF PASSENGERS.

N.B.—Cabin Passengers must also be included in this Schedule, after the other Passengers. Sec. 5 of 26 and 27 Vict. cap. 51.

Port of Embarkation.	Names of Passengers.	Age of each Adult of 15 years and upwards.				Children between 1 & 12 years.		Infants.		Profession, Occupation, or Calling of Passengers.	English.				Scottish.				Irish.				Foreigners.				Port at which Passengers have contracted to land.	
		Married.		Single.		M.	F.	M.	F.		M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.				
		M.	F.	M.	F.																				M.	F.		M.
London	Intermediate																											
	Mr Louis M Keyser			25						Yankee																		
	Mr A. H. H. H.			10						:																		
	Edward Whistley			60																								
	George Shearman																											
	Arthur Gye			25																								
	Mr Horner			18						Land,																		

## Alfred Murray Kyezor (1861 – 1906) Merchant Navy Man

### 1<sup>st</sup> Document

**Date Indentured into:** 27<sup>th</sup> March 1878  
**Merchant Navy**  
**Length of Indenture:** 4 years  
**To Whom Bound:** Duncan Henry Greenock

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Document

**2<sup>nd</sup> Mate - Date of:** 24<sup>th</sup> May 1882  
**Certificate of Competency**

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Document

**Summoned Before:** Newcastle Bench  
**By Whom:** Constable Shaw  
**Reason For Summons:** Exhibiting a sign on his surgery saying 'Dr. A. M. Keighly, Phusicism and Surgeon being unregistered as such  
**Fine:** £50 and 5s 6d costs or 2 months in gaol

**N.B.** This man left the Merchant Navy and went to Australia, changed his name to Keighly and was involved in some illegal activities, such as the 3<sup>rd</sup> document.

REGISTER OF APPRENTICES.												
NAME AND DESCRIPTION.	DATE OF EXPIRY.	18		18		18		18		18		REMARKS.
		Oct.	Home.	Oct.	Home.	Oct.	Home.	Oct.	Home.	Oct.	Home.	
<i>Kyezor Alfred Murray</i> <small>Born at London Aged 16 Bound 27.3.78  Registered 27.3.78 at London Term 4 Years  To whom Bound Duncan Henry Greenock</small>	<i>1882</i>											
<i>749</i>												



A. M. Keighley, summoned before the Newcastle Bench by Constable Shaw for exhibiting the following sign on his surgery, to wit, "Dr. A. M. Keighley, Physician and Surgeon," he not being a medical practitioner duly registered by the Medical Board of New South Wales, has been fined £50 and 5s. 6d. costs or two months' gaol. Three months allowed in which to pay the fine, on defendant entering into sureties. Moiety of fine to Police Reward Fund. Fine not yet paid. (This offender is identical with Alfred Murray Keighly under committal for trial for manslaughter of Harriet Morris. Vide Police Gazette, 1901, page 9.)

## **Benjamin Joseph Kyezor (1853 – 1930) Bankruptcy 1890**

**Adjudication of Bankruptcy:** 24<sup>th</sup> May 1890

**Bankruptcy Hearing:** 28<sup>th</sup> June 1890

**Application to Pass:** Allowed

BENJAMIN KYEZOR, b. September 1853, Marylebone; d. March 1930, Paddington; m. NOTKNOWN, September 1881, Marylebone. In the Census of 1871 he was living at home with his parents. He was described as 17 years old and a jeweller by occupation

In September 1881 he was married. Reported in 'The Times' newspaper of 24th May 1890 is the 'Adjudication of Bankruptcy' hearing which states Benjamin Kyezor (late trading as Benjamin Keysor) of Sutherland Road, Harrow Road, (late of Regent Street,W), traveller, late dealer in articles of vertu.

Reported again in 'The Times' of 28th June 1890 - Bankruptcy hearing before Mr. Registrar Linklater -

The debtor, until recently carrying on business in Regent Street as a dealer in articles of vertu applied to pass his examination. His liabilities were returned in a statement of affairs at £1324 with assets of £100.

He started business in January 1888. For short periods at various addresses in London and in the suburbs, also in Blackpool and in Hull with £100 capital. He attributed his failure to losses by robberies.

The Registrar allowed him to pass.

## Baron Isaac Keyzor (1852 – 1931) Petition For Divorce 1899

Type: Husband's Petition For Divorce  
Petition Date: 1899  
Spouse: Hannah Keyzor  
Co-respondent 1: Gustav Nassauer  
Divorce Court File Number: 333  
Item Number: 333

N.B. All the documents relating to this are in the annex to this document.

UND 33 333

In the high Court of Justice.  
PROBATE, DIVORCE, AND ADMIRALTY DIVISION.

(DIVORCE.)  
*No damages* H.D.

*Keyzor*  
(Baron Isaac)

*Keyzor*  
(Hannah)

*Nassauer*  
(Gustav)

COURT MINUTES

Petition Filed *29<sup>th</sup> May 1899*  
*80D Aug 1<sup>st</sup> 1899*  
Decree Nisi *6 - Nov 1899*  
Final Decree *28 May 1900*

G B & L (S)—1332—1000-1-98  
11514—1000-12-98



[Decree absolute.]

**In the High Court of Justice.**

PROBATE, DIVORCE, AND ADMIRALTY DIVISION.

**(DIVORCE.)**

~~Before the Right Honorable SIR FRANCIS HENRY JEUNE, K.C.B.~~

~~The President,~~

Before the Honorable SIR JOHN GORELL BARNES, KNIGHT, one of the  
Justices of the High Court,

sitting at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, in the County of Middlesex,

On the *28<sup>th</sup>* day of *May 1900* ~~1899~~.

*Keyzor* against *Keyzor*  
*& Nassauer*

on the *6<sup>th</sup>* day of *November 1899*,  
whereby it was decreed that the Marriage had and solemnized

on the *25<sup>th</sup>* day of *May 1887*,  
at *the Register office in the District of*

*Liverpool* in the County of *Lancaster*

between *Baron Isaac Keyzor*

and *Hannah Keyzor then Henson* <sup>the Petitioner</sup> *Spurster*

the Respondent  
be dissolved by reason that since the celebration thereof the said Respondent  
had been guilty of *Adultery with the Respondent*  
*Gustav Nassauer*

unless sufficient cause be shown to the Court why the said Decree should not be  
made absolute, within six months from the making thereof—and no such cause  
having been shown, the *Judge* on application of the said Petitioner  
by his final Decree pronounced and declared the said Marriage to be dissolved.

*19d/ Robt A Pritchard*

Registrar.

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B & L (263a)—6999—500-6-98  
9905—500-10-98



# Stanley Keyzor (1885 – 1974) Unassisted Passage to Australia 1909

**Marital Status:** Single  
**Arrival Age:** 25  
**Birth Year:** abt 1884  
**Departure Place:** London  
**Arrival Date:** 21<sup>st</sup> July 1909  
**Arrival Place:** Melbourne, Australia  
**Ship's Name:** Moravian

Port of Embarkation	Number of Contract Tickets	Names of Passengers	Profession, Occupation, or Calling of Passengers	English:				Scottish:				Irish:				Foreigners:				Ports at which Passengers have contracted to Land
				Age of each Adult of 12 years and upwards		Age of Children between 2 and 12 years		Age of each Adult of 12 years and upwards		Age of Children between 2 and 12 years		Age of each Adult of 12 years and upwards		Age of Children between 2 and 12 years		Age of each Adult of 12 years and upwards		Age of Children between 2 and 12 years		
				Married	Single	Married	Single	Married	Single	Married	Single	Married	Single	Married	Single	Married	Single			
				Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female			
		Keyzor Mr Stanley Traveller		25																

# 1921 Census Form for George Kyezor (1857 – 1924)

(RG15 Piece No. 00030 Schedule No. 60 District Ref. RD 1 RS 1 ED 30)

**N.B.** This shows that George's wife and son changed their name.

NAME and SURNAME:— <small>of every person who is alive at midnight, on the night of Sunday, 24th April 1921, and who, whether as member of the family or as visitor, boarder or servant in the household or establishment,— (1) passes that night in the dwelling of the household or establishment, or (2) arrives and is received into the household or establishment on the morning of Monday, 25th April, not having already been enumerated elsewhere. No one else need be included. (For order of entering names see Examples on back hereof.)</small>	RELATIONSHIP to Head of Household. <small>State whether "Head," or "Wife," "Mother," "Son," "Daughter," "Step-son," or other relative, "Visitor," "Boarder," or "Servant." (See Instruction No. 1.)</small>	AGE. <small>In years and months. For infants under one month old write "Under one month." (See Examples.)</small>	SEX. <small>If male write "M," if female write "F." (See Examples.)</small>	MARRIAGE or ORPHANHOOD. <small>For persons aged 15 and over write "Single," "Married," "Widowed," or if marriage dissolved by divorce write "D." — For children and under 15 write "Both Alive" if both parents are alive, "Father Dead" if father is dead, or "Mother Dead" if mother is dead, or "Both Dead" if both parents be dead.</small>	BIRTHPLACE and N. <small>(1) If born in the United Kingdom, write the name of the County and of the Town or Parish. (2) If born outside the United Kingdom, write the name of the Country, and of the State, Province or District, or (3) If born at Sea, write "At Sea."</small>
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
1 George Kyezor	head	62   1	M	married	London Marylebone
2					
3 ALAN KAYE	SON	32   2	M	SINGLE	LONDON MARYLEBONE
4 Adèle <sup>(Kyezor)</sup> (Kaye)	Mother	49   5	F	married	Liverpool
5 Lilien Hastings Middleton	boarder	21   9	F	married	Sheffield

## Saddleworth, Yorkshire Train Crash 1923



<b>Place</b>	Diggle Junction, of Yorkshire, England
<b>Date</b>	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> July 1923, 10.20 a.m.
<b>Railway Company</b>	London, Midland & Scottish Railway
<b>No. of Fatalities</b>	4
<b>Primary Cause</b>	Driver error
<b>Secondary Causes</b>	Signaller error, guard error, site staff error
<b>Result</b>	Sidelong collision, derailment, telescoping

**Description** The 9.22 a.m. express passenger train from Leeds to Manchester and Stockport was travelling at reduced speed over the junction at Diggle, crossing from the up North to the up South line, when it came into a side-on collision with the engine and wagons of the 4.50 a.m. goods train from Crofton Junction to Diggle Junction.

The leading engine of the express appears to have struck the goods train immediately behind the tender, with the result that the latter was derailed, and the goods engine, keeping to the rails on the up South line, ran forward a distance of about 158 yards, dragging its tender, which overturned to its right and was found lying on its side diagonally across the up and down South lines. The leading engine of the express was turned end for end, and was found lying on its right side across the down South line, about 100 yards from the point of collision. The train engine remained coupled to the leading coach, and forcing its way past the tender of the leading engine, was derailed to the left and came to rest about 17 yards in front. Both train engine and tender had tilted over to the left, and were supported by the debris of broken up wagons. The first two coaches were also derailed to the left, the two end compartments of No. 6624 being completely telescoped by the first compartment of No. 4604. The four leading wagons of the freight train were destroyed; the following four were derailed to the left, and the last four vehicles remained on the rails.

The goods train was being controlled by hand-signalling. There was some confusion and the driver of the goods train moved without authority into the path of the express, which was being drawn by two engines (one acting as Pilot).

### List of Fatalities

The 4 fatalities are listed in the table below together with brief notes of any other information found.

<b>Surname</b>	<b>First Names</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Occupation</b>	<b>Residence</b>
Hutchinson	John	22	Railway Fireman	Huddersfield, WRY
	Fireman of the pilot engine of the express.			
Keyser (Kyezor)	Joseph Harris	64	Commercial Traveller	Nottingham, NTT
	Separated from wife for 28 years. Partner of Annie Storey.			
Storey	Annie	48		Nottingham, NTT
	Partner of Joseph Keyser and known as "Mrs. Keyser".			
Walker	James	50	Railway Driver	Mirfield, WRY
	Driver of the goods train.			

## **Annex To The Kyezor Family Documents**

### **Other newspaper extracts etc. relating to the murder of Louis Kyezor.**

#### ***The Times, Wednesday October 13, 1869***

THE HOUNSLOW TRAGEDY - Mr. Louis Kyezor, who was shot at Whitton on Monday morning by Thomas Hydon Green, is still alive, but beyond all hope of ultimate recovery. The intestines are now protruding through the wound. The physicians remained in attendance on him during the whole night. A clerk in Somerset-house states that he was well acquainted with the late Mr. Green, and that while working with him in the same department he never noticed anything peculiar in his manner. He was always assiduous and attentive to his duties, and his fellow clerks considered him to be what is called a "jovial fellow." The pension of which he was in receipt had been allowed by the Government in consequence of his full term of service having expired. Between 10 and 11 o'clock at night Green has often been noticed at Whitton to enter a public house in a state of intoxication. It was then his habit to stand in front of the bar, and placing his left hand upon it, he used to clench his right and shake his fist violently in the air, and keep swearing for a time at the "villain Kyezor." During the evening when he was sober he indulged in "larking" with women. The people of the neighbourhood always said he was "a harmless old fool."

#### ***The Times, Thursday October 14, 1869***

##### **THE TRAGEDY AT WHITTON**

Yesterday Dr. Diplock, Coroner, held an inquiry into the circumstances of the late shocking tragedy at Whitton. Mr. W. A. Brown watched the case on behalf of the Kyezor family. The following evidence was taken: -

Mary Ann Elizabeth Green deposed, - I live at 13 Kyezor-place, Whitton. The deceased Green was my husband. He was 81 years of age. He was superannuated from the Stamping Department at Somerset-house. On Monday morning last he had his breakfast in bed at the usual hour. About 8 o'clock he came downstairs while I was having my breakfast. He went into the front garden a bit. He came in and took his slippers off and put his boots on. He looked so queer that I said, "What are you going to do next?" He said, "Going into the garden." He went out, and I shut the door because of the draught, and I did not see anything more of him till I heard Mrs. Castle, next door, say, "For God's sake come here!" Her screaming frightened me, I saw Mr. Green coming downstairs with a pistol in his hand. He pushed me, and said, "Get out of the way." He looked frenzied, and I thought it was because ..... I interfered with him, as he never liked me to do so. He was often in the habit of firing his pistols in the garden, especially when he thought the powder damp in them. I went into the front garden, and I immediately saw Mr. Kyezor lying groaning in the road. I instantly saw what had happened, and screamed. I was so frightened that I dared not go into the house. I saw Mr. Green go into the backyard. At last I went back into the house. I called upstairs to know if he was there. I got no answer, and I went up. Not seeing him there, I went out into the back yard, quite to the bottom, and I saw Mr. Green lying as if dead, close to the closet. I was so frightened I did not see the pistol. I do not even remember hearing a report.

By the CORONER. - I believe there was some feeling between Mr. Kyezor and him. Mr. Kyezor sent him some letters, one giving him notice to quit on the 25th of January and the other complaining of his abusing Mr. Kyezor. Another letter was sent saying that the rent was to be paid on the 25th of October, and it would not be allowed to go on for three or four weeks as it had done. Mr. Green was very much hurt about it, as he had always paid his rent before the time, except on the last quarter, when it was about three weeks behind. When Mr. Green took any beer he was very noisy. He never took any drink at home

but toast and water, and was a very little eater. He used to that long walks and call in here and there for a glass. He has lately taken more freely to drink, having often come home very noisy. I believe he had five pistols in the house. I did not see him cleaning the pistols on Sunday night. I was reading to him. I have at times seen him cleaning the pistols. I have never seen him making bullets. He had a great number already made in the house.

The letters referred to by Mrs. Green were here produced. They ran as follows: -

"Mr. Green, - Sir, - Having just been informed by two respectable persons that you should express at Mr. Bicknell's bar that I was the cause of a certain person being hanged from Whitton, and also that I had been making use of remarks calculated to injure Mr. Johnson, my tenant, and that you would give 5/- to hear of my death, and that I was not a fit proper person for a respectable person to sit in company with, with other observations which I shall be able to prove in a court of law, I find that my character has been very much injured by you, and I shall therefore apply for damages to a large amount, which will teach you for the future not to play with a respectable person's character.

LOUIS KYEZOR.

"T. Green, Esq., 13, Kyezor place, Whitton.

"I wish further to state that you will hear shortly from any solicitor, Mr. Woodbridge." (A notice to quit on the 25th of January next followed this.)

"To Mr. Green,—Sir—This is to inform you that your rent becomes due on the 25th day of October—the sum of 3l. 15s. I shall expect it paid when due, for I do not intend being kept from receiving my rent, as I was last quarter.

"Yours, &c.,

"Louis Kyezor (no date)."

"Gotha-house, Whitton, Oct. 9.

"To Mr. Green,—Sir, —In consequence of your behaviour to me last evening I intend taking proceedings this day against you. First you stated that I had been speaking against my tenant, Mr. Johnson. Secondly, you called out on the high road that I ought to be hanged at Newgate. In the third place, you followed me up and down the highroad for upwards of half an hour, and when you found I was alone you used the most abusive language, and also attempted to strike me with your stick. This you have done on two occasions, once at Mr. Johnson's door. Now, Sir, unless you apologize immediately I shall proceed without delay to serve you with an action at law for defamation of character, and take out a summons for the assault."

Witness re-examined.—There is no rent now due to Mr. Kyezor. The present quarter's rent will not be due till the 25th of this month, I never heard Mr. Green abuse Mr. Kyezor nor threaten him. When he received the letters he was very much put out. He was not himself all the week afterwards. I said to him, "Let me go to Mr. Kyezor to apologize." He said "No, I'd rather see you dead for I've done no wrong." I think he must have used the abuse when he was tipsy. On Sunday morning he was in the foot room by himself. The pistols were in that room. They were kept there that I should not interfere with them. I never touched them, as I am afraid of firearms.

Police-constable William Kerridge, 158 T, deposed,—On Sunday morning, about a quarter-past 8. I was called to something that had occurred outside Mr. Kyezor's. I and Police-constable Lawrence ran down there. I saw Mr. Kyezor lying in the road, and from what I was told I forced myself into Green's house. Going out of the washhouse into the back yard, I saw the pistol produced lying on the ground. On picking it up I found it had been recently fired. I went further down the yard, and found Green lying with his legs in the water closet, and his head outside. I found the second pistol produced partly in his right hand. I saw he had a hole on his left side, and some part of his inside was protruding. The pistol had been recently



discharged. The flint was out of the pistol and lay on the ground near. I waited with the body till Dr. Whitmarch came, and I found in the house a third pistol (produced) with the hammer broken. It had not been recently discharged, but it appeared to have been recently broken.

Mr. Michael Whitmarch, M.D., of Hounslow, deposed.— I saw deceased Green at about a quarter to 9 on Monday morning, he was lying in a pool of blood, quite dead. The apex of the heart protruded through the walls of the chest. I examined the interior of the chest and found the heart quite split into threads like a rag, half being shot away altogether. There was an aperture in the back, which corresponded with that in front. The bullet had passed through. Not being able to find the bullet, I went into the closet where I had first found him, and found a hole to the wall about the height of his chest. The bullet was not in the hole, but on the closet seat (bullet produced). Bullets were found in the house, and a mould corresponding with the bullet was found on the seat.

Mrs. Green, recalled.—Two mouths ago deceased fell from the water butt on to his head, and he had not been right since.

About two years ago, also, he had a slight sunstroke.

Frank W. Agar, wine and spirit merchant of Walham-Green, deposed,—I have known the deceased Green about 16 years. He was a very eccentric old gentleman, but strictly honest and upright. Would not rob any one of a penny. he was very excitable, especially when in liquor. As Shakespeare says, “He spoke daggers, but used none.” His name was not Green. He was the principal cause of the exposure of the Cato-street Conspiracy in 1820, at which time he was a milkman there. For this service he was granted an appointment at Somerset House, and for his own protection was advised to adopt an assumed name, which he did, that of Green.

Ellen Castle having given unimportant evidence, witnesses in the case of Mr. Kyezor’s death were examined.

Henry Poulton, house decorator, of Hounslow, deposed,— A few minutes past 8 o’clock on Wednesday morning I and a man named Loveday were in the road at Whitton. we were going to deliver a sideboard at Mr. Kyezor’s house. I saw Mr. Kyezor coming along in the centre of the road towards me. He was dressed as if going out. When, I got within 30 or 40 yards of him, I saw Mr. Green come of his gate. He had on a light coat, but no hat. When he got into the centre of the road he turned round and faced Mr. Kyezor. He was within a yard or two of him when I saw him raise his arm and immediately heard a report and saw the smoke. Green made use of the expression “Take that!” I was 10 or 15 yards away ‘when the shot was fired. There was no one else in the road, but me and my man, besides Mr. Kyezor and Green. I did not hear the latter say any anything before he fired. Mr. Kyezor stood for a moment as if stunned and he then fell. Mr. Green seemed to stop to see him fall, and he then walked sharply to his house. Mr. Kyezor called out, “Oh! my God, I’m shot, I’m shot“ I did not see any wound or blood, and I said to him, “Don’t be frightened. He has only done it to frighten you. It’s only a blank charge.” He said, “Oh no, I’m shot in the stomach.” I did not see a boy follow Green. It was a little misty, but it could have been anyone in the road.

George Loveday corroborated this evidence in the most important particulars.

James Richard Turnbull deposed,—I am an errand boy, and have worked for Mr. Kyezor. I live at No. 11, Kyezor-place, Whitton. I was sitting outside the railings at No. 6, Kyezor-place on Monday morning when I saw Mr. Kyezor come out. I heard a report and, turning round, saw Mr. Green with a pistol go into his gateway. I ran after him and said, “You’re the man what shot Mr. Kyezor.” He said “I’ll shoot

you too if you don't mind" I said, "'You dare not.'" He then slammed the door in my face. I kicked the door and he opened it again and peeped out. I said "I'll fetch a policeman," and he then shut the door again, and immediately afterward I heard a second report. I did not hear Mr. Green say anything to Mr. Kyezor. I knew there had been some difference between them and my father had written some letters to Mr. Green for Mr. Kyezor, giving him notice to leave his home.

Dr. Whitmarsh was again sworn and said,—At half-past 8 o'clock on Monday morning I was fetched to Mr. Kyezor's house. I found him lying on this sofa partly unconscious, and his pulse hardly perceptible. I found he had two wounds in the abdomen, the first one immediately below the liver, and this other below the bladder. I examined his clothes, and found that two bullets had pierced the abdomen. I introduced a probe for the purpose of seeing if I could find them; but of course I could not. Under these circumstances I used means to restore him from the state of collapse in which he then was. In three hours afterwards he became more conscious, and asked him if he knew what had happened. He said, "Yes Green, whom I have never injured, approached me this morning when I was out of doors and fired two bullets into me. I know that I can't live, and I am willing to die; but I think it very bard that I should have been injured in this way without provocation." In the evening, about 10 o'clock, I had a consultation with Mr. Bernard Hope. sen., surgeon, at Westminster Hospital, who, after careful examination, endorsed my opinion that there was very little to be done for him beyond sustaining the powers of life. I remained in constant attendance upon him until his death, which occurred just before 12 o'clock that night.

By the CORONER.—I never knew anything against Mr. Kyezor's character. He was a very civil affable, and highly. respected gentleman. I knew Green he was an eccentric old man. He was sane, and, I think, quite responsible for his actions.

Charles Courtney Walker deposed,.—I am a retired farmer, and reside at 4 Kyezor-terrace, Whitton. On Friday evening last, coming up the road, I found Mr. Green and Mr. Kyezor in altercation near the former's house. Mr. Kyezor called to me. He said, "Walker, see to this," and he took Mr. Green by the back of his neck and thrust him towards his house,. Green said to him, "You have been speaking against me to the neighbours." Mr. Kyezor replied. "I have said nothing but what they knew before." Mr. Green was making use of most abusive language, and there had been some words between them. Mr. Kyezor did not use more violence than necessary in putting Green into his garden, Green had been using such language as caused great annoyance to the neighbours. Mr. Green was drunk. Mr. Kyezor was perfectly sober. I thought he was putting Green in his house in a friendly way. Mr. Kyezor had often complained of the great annoyance which Green caused to the other tenants.

This being the whole of the evidence the court-rooms were cleared for the jury to consider their verdict in private.

On the re-opening of the doors it was announced that the verdicts were—" That Thomas Hydon Green did wilfully, and with malice aforethought, kill and murder Louis Kyezor , and that the said Thomas Hydon Green did afterwards commit suicide by shooting himself while in a state of temporary insanity."

***The Times, 16 Oct 1869, p10***

THE LATE MR. LOUIS KYEZOR.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES.

Sir,—I have just returned from paying the last tribute of respect to the memory of the worthy old man who has been so cruelly murdered at WHITTON, and cannot allow good deeds to fade into oblivion without an effort to put some of them upon record.

A Jew, and German, by birth, he had seen enough of the treatment of his co-religionists abroad to induce him to give the preference to England as the home of civil and religious liberty. He did more; he became so attached to this country that about 30 years ago he bought some road-side cottages at Whitton, and left a thriving business in town to come and settle in a hamlet then notorious as a nest of ruffians.

They soon found they had a neighbour who was not to be trifled with. The timely display of a brace of pistols, always carried about his person, gained him a certain amount of respect, and he presently won regard by his unfailing good humour, and by helping some of the worst characters to emigrate and getting places for their children. The ground where the church now stands was a favourite Sunday resort for tipplers, swearers, and all sorts of vagabonds.

Our Jewish Friend went to the late Bishop Blomfield, entreated him to use his influence to build a church, and in this and in many other instances never rested until he had drawn public attention to the needs of the village and carried his point.

After inducing the late Mr. Emanuel to buy the Kneller-hall estate, he recommended him to offer the mansion to Government. It was purchased, and a training college for workhouse school masters established and put under the presidency of the Rev. Dr. Temple. We thus incidentally owe him the gift of our much-needed village school. Many other local advantages are the fruits of the zeal which on all occasions carried him to the front and kept him there until he had gained the day. The station at Whitton, the Volunteer corps, the lighting of the parish are all the result of efforts in which he took a leading part. On the division of Twickenham into parishes he took up the question of the local charities, and was the means of inducing the Charity Commissioners to recommend the apportionment to Whitton of what be considered a fair share.

Besides collecting many subscriptions for the church and vicarage, he set an example, which has, unhappily, been little emulated by the far wealthier ducal and other titled and untitled lords of the soil, of providing a small endowment for the clergyman by a perpetual charge his little freehold estate. It was said he had interested motives. Possibly he had, but people who say so should first hold their own actions to the light and see if they are always transparently pure. I do not remember to have ever had a conversation with him in which he did not express anxiety, as if his heart were in it, for the spiritual, moral, or temporal welfare of our people. For years before his death he had been desirous of seconding my efforts by buying a plot of ground, with the view of building on it a temperance hall, whither the poor could resort for evening recreation without exposure to the dangerous fascination of the public-house. In short, the poor, unlettered Jew was one of the best friends to Christianity in Whitton, and, judging from bitter-bought experience, I should say it will be long before we look upon his like again.

He was a capital orator, barring some amusing deviations from the recognized modes of using the Queen's English. Full of commonsense, humour, and point, his speeches used to bring down roars of laughter, especially when he referred (which he seldom let slip an opportunity of doing) to the time when he served on the Twickenham "light-nine" committee. His Royal Highness the Count de Paris, who, I believe, really loved the old roan, is said to be fond of telling how Kyezor, dressed very like a General, called to invite him to subscribe to the 16th South-West Middlesex Volunteers, on the ground that, as England was their common asylum, they were justified in supporting a defence corps.

He had a great horror of Popery, having narrowly escaped rough usage from Papists when he once boarded a public room full in London, and so he broke away from his political friends the late election and used all his influence to promote the return of Lord George Hamilton, under the impression—whether just or otherwise time alone can show—that the measures of the present Government tend to

promote the interests of a religion which is incompatible with that liberty he so admired in the British Constitution.

He bore his sufferings and met death with manly calmness and resignation.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

W. C, HAWTAYNE.

Vicarage, Whitton, Oct. 13.

***The Times, Mar 13, 1851, pg. 6***

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC MEETING.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES.

Sir—Seeing you had noticed the disgraceful proceedings at the Catholic meeting held on Monday, the 10th of March, I beg to state that before I got through the crowd of Irishmen I received a most violent blow in my rib, from which I am in great pain at the present time. This is a specimen of Catholic benevolence towards those who differ in opinion from them. My reason for attending the meeting was to show the English Catholic the cruelties that were practiced by the Pope and his cardinals over the Jews in Rome. I received a communication, saying that a Jew of high respectability and benevolence took into his service an elderly woman who applied for charity, and on the brink of starvation, and for that kind action of relieving her he received a sentence of 14 days imprisonment. Being acquainted with Serjeant Shoe I was determined to put the question, whether he and others sanctioned the Pope's proceedings. I am a gentleman, and a freeholder, and was well-known to a great number in that meeting as a friend to Catholic Emancipation for upwards of 30 years; but some short time back, at a public meeting at Edward-street, Marylebone, I opposed the Pope's bull in this country, and am ready to sacrifice both life and property to support the Protestant realm of this nation.

I remain, your humble servant

28, Nutford-place. LOUIS KEYZOR

***For more information see:***

- Louis Kyezor The King of Whitton, by Harold Pollins and Vic Rosewarne. The Borough of Twickenham Local History Society, Paper 82, published 2004
- Mystery of Thomas Haydon Green, The Whitton Murder and the Cato Street Conspiracy, by T H R Cashmore. The Borough of Twickenham Local History Society, Paper 23, published 1972

All documents relating to the divorce of Baron Isaac Kyezor.

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In the high Court of Justice.  
PROBATE, DIVORCE, AND ADMIRALTY DIVISION.

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*Kyezor*  
(Baron Isaac,)  
v  
*Kyezor*  
(Hannah)  
*Nassauer*  
(Gustav)

COURT MINUTES

Petition Filed *29<sup>th</sup> May 1899*  
*SCD Aug 1<sup>st</sup> 1899*  
Decree Nisi *6<sup>th</sup> Nov 1899*  
Final Decree *28 May 1900*

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*Keyzor v Keyzor & Nassauer*  
(Baron Isaac) (Hannah) (Gustav)

*22<sup>nd</sup> } K.G. Driver Sweeney & Stone*

*1899*

*May 29<sup>th</sup> Newton G. Driver of  
10 Warwick Court & Grays Inn  
W.C. filed Petition for Dissolution  
of Marriage & affidavit &  
issued 2 citations*

*June 6<sup>th</sup> Respondent filed  
Petition for Alimony*

*" " Sweeney & Stone of 31  
Great St. Helens & appeared  
for Respondent*

*" 12<sup>th</sup> Petitioner filed  
Alimony Answer*

[Alimony pending Suit.]

In the High Court of Justice.

PROBATE, DIVORCE, AND ADMIRALTY DIVISION.

(DIVORCE.)

*Keyzor* against *Keyzor & Nassauer*

UPON HEARING the Solicitors for the Petitioner & Respondent

I DO ORDER THAT *Baron Isaac Keyzor*  
the Petitioner do

pay or cause to be paid to *Hannah Keyzor*  
the Respondent

Alimony pending Suit at and after the rate of 30/-  
per annum, to commence from the date of the service of the Citation issued in this Cause;  
to-wit, the 5<sup>th</sup> day of June 1899, and to be payable

Dated the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June 1899  
(H) F. H. Jenner

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[Order on Summons.]

In the High Court of Justice.  
PROBATE, DIVORCE, AND ADMIRALTY DIVISION.

(DIVORCE.)

*Keyzor* against *Keyzor & Nassauer*

UPON HEARING the Solicitor for the Petitioner & Respondent

and by consent I DO ORDER, that Respondent have 14 days  
further time to file Answer herein

Dated the 11<sup>th</sup> day of July 1899

(H) A. Musgrave

Registrar.

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*1899*

*July 28<sup>th</sup> Petitioner filed affidavit  
of Service on Co-Respondent  
with citation annexed &  
affidavit of Search for  
appearance, citation on  
Respondent & affidavit of  
Search for Answer*

*Aug 1<sup>st</sup> Petitioner set down  
cause & filed Notice &  
Certificate*

*Oct 30<sup>th</sup> Respondent files  
costs*



[Decree nisi.]

In the High Court of Justice.  
PROBATE, DIVORCE, AND ADMIRALTY DIVISION.  
(DIVORCE.)

Before the Right Honourable the SIR FRANCIS HENRY JEUNE, K.B.  
The President,  
Before the Honourable SIR JOHN GORELL BARNES, Ktmt., one of the  
Justices of the High Court,  
sitting at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, in the County of Middlesex.

On the 6th day of November 1899  
Keyzor against Keyzor & Nassauer

THE Judge having taken the oral evidence of the Petitioner  
and of the Witnesses produced on his behalf  
in support of the Petition filed in this Cause,  
and having heard Counsel thereon pleading and not defending  
the Respondent and Co-Respondent not appearing and not defending the Suit  
pronounced that the Petitioner had sufficiently proved the contents of  
the said Petition, and decreed that the Marriage, had and solemnized  
on the 25th day of May 1887  
at the Registrar Office in the District of  
Liverpool in the County of Lancaster  
between Baron Isaac Keyzor the Petitioner  
and Hannah Keyzor then Hanson the Respondent  
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be dissolved by reason that since the celebration thereof the said Respondent has  
been guilty of adultery with the Co-Respondent  
Gustav Nassauer

unless sufficient cause be shown to the Court why this Decree should not be  
made absolute within Six Months from the making thereof, and condemned  
the said  
Respondent, in the costs incurred and to be incurred on behalf of the said  
Petitioner in this Cause.

And on the application of Counsel for the Petitioner it is ordered  
~~that~~

~~the children, issue of the marriage between the Petitioner and the Respondent, do  
remain in the custody of the Petitioner until further order of the Court, but it is  
directed that such children be not removed out of the jurisdiction of the Court  
without its sanction.~~

And it is further ordered that the Petitioner do pay to the Respondent her  
taxed costs, not to exceed the amount ordered to be paid into Court or secured for  
the ~~Wife's~~ costs of hearing.

sd/ A. Musgrave  
Registrar.

1900  
May 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Petitioner filed Notice  
& Affidavit Decree Absolute

[Decree absolute.]

In the High Court of Justice.  
PROBATE, DIVORCE, AND ADMIRALTY DIVISION.  
(DIVORCE.)

Before the Right Honourable SIR FRANCIS HENRY JEUNE, K.B.  
The President,  
Before the Honourable SIR JOHN GORELL BARNES, Ktmt., one of the  
Justices of the High Court,  
sitting at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, in the County of Middlesex,

On the 28th day of May 1900  
Keyzor against Keyzor & Nassauer

Referring to the Decree made in this Cause  
on the 6th day of November 1899,  
whereby it was decreed that the Marriage had and solemnized  
on the 25th day of May 1887  
at the Registrar Office in the District of  
Liverpool in the County of Lancaster  
between Baron Isaac Keyzor  
the Petitioner  
and Hannah Keyzor then Hanson Spinster  
the Respondent  
be dissolved by reason that since the celebration thereof the said Respondent  
had been guilty of Adultery with the Co-Respondent  
Gustav Nassauer

unless sufficient cause be shown to the Court why the said Decree should not be  
made absolute, within six months from the making thereof - and no such cause  
having been shown, the Judge on application of the said Petitioner  
by his final Decree pronounced and declared the said Marriage to be dissolved.

(sd) Robt. A. Pritchard  
Registrar.

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In the High Court of Justice  
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Petition for divorce

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FILED  
29 MAY 1900

Newton & Driver  
10 Warwick Court  
Gray's Inn W.C.  
Petitioner's Solicitor

In the High Court of Justice  
Probate Divorce and Admiralty Division  
(Divorce)

To the Right Honourable the President of  
the said Division

The 29th day of May 1899

The Petition of Baron Isaac Keyzor of 2 Granville  
Place, Portman Square in the County of London,  
Commercial Traveller, sheweth: -

1. That your petitioner was on the 25th day of May  
1887 lawfully married to Hannah Keyzor, then  
Hannah Hanson spinster, at the Registrar Office  
at Liverpool in the County of Lancaster.
2. That after his said marriage your petitioner  
lived and cohabited with his said wife at -  
Grove Street Liverpool, Cambridge Gardens, Maids  
Vale, London, Montague Place Russell Square  
London and Wilkie House St. Stephens Road, Baywater  
London and in various hotels and boarding houses in  
London and other places in the County  
and that your petitioner and his said  
wife have had no issue of their said marriage.
3. That in or about the months of April and  
May 1899 the said Hannah Keyzor at the Palace  
River Hotel, Grand Junction Parade, Brighton, in  
the County of Sussex, committed adultery with -  
Gustav Nassauer.
4. That in or about the month of June 1898  
the said Gustav Nassauer visited Paris in  
company with the said Hannah Keyzor, and  
during such visit committed adultery with the  
said Hannah Keyzor.

Your petitioner therefore humbly  
prays:-

That your Lordship will  
be pleased to decree that his  
said marriage may be  
dissolved and that your  
petitioner may have such  
other and further relief as  
may be meet.

Baron Isaac Keyzor

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In the High Court of Justice  
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et. al. Answer

Affidavit verifying petition



Newton G. Driver  
10 Harwick Court  
Gray's Inn W.C.

In the High Court of Justice  
Probate Divorce and Admiralty Division  
(Divorce)

In the matter of the Petition of Baron Isaac  
Keyzor for a dissolution of marriage.

I, Baron Isaac Keyzor of 2 Granville Place, Portman  
Square in the County of London Commercial  
Traveller the Petitioner, make oath and say as  
follows:-

1. That the statements set forth in paragraphs  
1 and 2 of the said petition dated the 29<sup>th</sup> day  
May 1899 are true.
2. That the statements set forth in paragraphs  
3 and 4 are true to the best of my knowledge &  
information & belief.
3. That there is not any collusion or connivance  
between & my wife Hannah Keyzor in any way  
whatsoever.

Sworn by the above named  
Baron Isaac Keyzor at 11<sup>th</sup> 11  
Days Inn Place in the  
County of London this 29 day  
of May 1899

B. Keyzor.

Before me

N. G. Driver  
A Commissioner for oaths