

WILMOTT HENDERSON EVANS and ANN FRANCES PIERCY EVANS

The CORRESPONDENCE SERIES is an investigation into the background of recipients of British pre-stamped postal stationery. The "collection" was purchased in South Africa in 1999 as a job lot, the which took me six months to sort and mount, creating a collection spanning 140 years. I have no idea of the provenance.

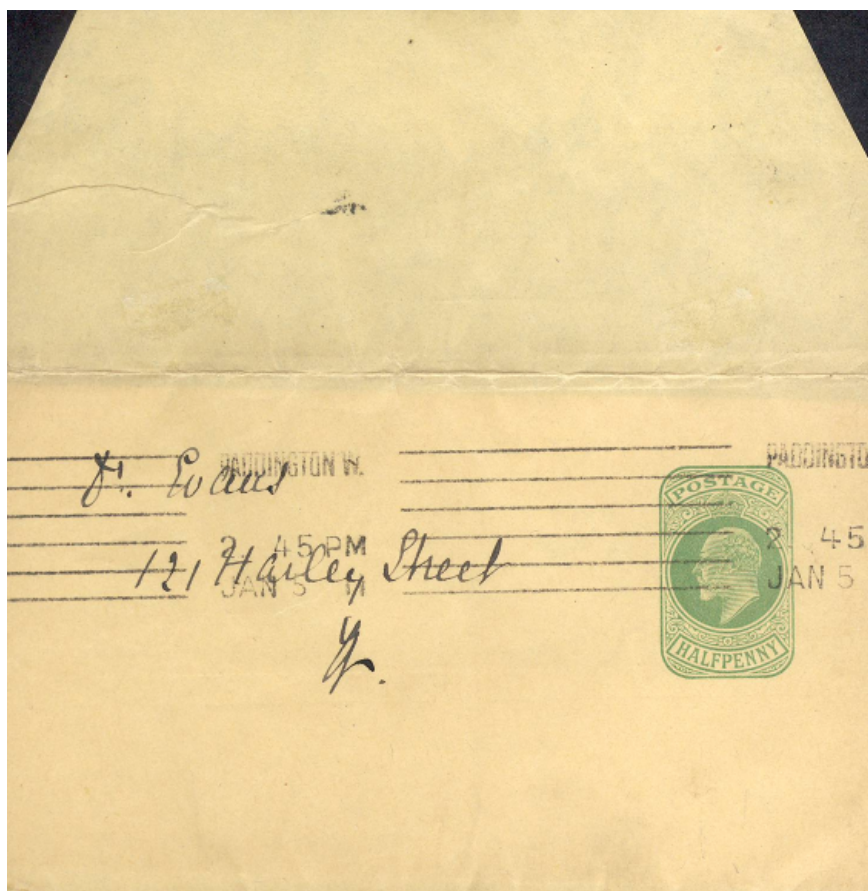
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Philatelic Description of the item of Postal Stationery:

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Dr Evans, 121 Harley Street and machine cancelled PADDINGTON 2. 45 PM JAN 5 (19)11



Dr Willmott Henderson Evans ⁱ (1859-1938) was consulting surgeon to the Royal Free Hospital and to the Hospital for Skin Diseases at Blackfriars. Educated at University College, London, and trained at University College Hospital. B.Sc.Lond. (1880), L.S.A. and M.R.C.S. (1883), M.B., B.S. (1885), M.D. (1887), elected F.R.C.S. (1890). At first he headed for a career in occupational medicine, later changing direction and becoming a surgeon. He was a demonstrator in anatomy at University College; surgeon of the King George Military Hospital; joint lecturer in surgery at the London School of Medicine for Women; Erasmus Wilson Lecturer of the Royal College of Surgeons. Publications included a translation of the "*Handbuch der Prophylaxe*", The Diseases of the Breast, A Handbook of the Diseases of the Skin, and Medical Science of To-day.

In 1896, Willmott Henderson Evans married Dr (Mrs) Ann Frances née PIERCY in Marylebone, London. Together they had three sons and two daughters (three of whom became doctors *). These were:

Evan Maurice Piercy EVANS
George Hugh Jocelyn EVANS *
Arthur Turle Wanhope EVANS
Gwynnedd Maureen Elspeth Dyddgu EVANS *
Joyce Joan Frances Willmott EVANS *

Dr (Mrs) Ann Frances Piercy Evans ⁱⁱ ⁱⁱⁱ (1867-1940). In 1883 she attained the University of Cambridge Examination Senior Certificate; from 1884 to 1893 was educated London School of Medicine for Women; MB Honours in Medicine and Obstetrics, with an Exhibition and Gold Medal in Materia Medica, a Gold Medal in Anatomy and Honours in Physiology; registered as a medical practitioner in 1893. She held the following posts: Assistant Registrar of Medical Women, Assistant Medical Inspector to boarded out children at Dr Barnardo's Homes, Assistant Anaesthetist at the Royal Free Hospital, Clinical Assistant at the New Hospital for Women, Demonstrator in Anatomy at the London School of Medicine for Women; and was a Member of the Anatomical Society

The family resided at 121 Harley Street, London between 1911 and 1929, where after they moved to Sidcup, Kent.

References:

1. The Doctors http://www.turle.name/the_doctors/indiI26.html
2. Obituary: Dr Wilmott Henerson Evans. MD., FRCS. British Medical Journal 1938 (17 Sept); 640
3. The Medical Register 1914

SUBSEQUENT CORRESPONDENCE (Edited)

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JAS from Melbourne, Australia. My mother was Dora Mary Piercy, born in Cato Manor, Durban in 1900. Her parents were James Edward Piercy and Edith Mary Cato. We are direct descendants of George Christopher Cato, the first Mayor of Durban. Francis Evans, above, was my grandfather's sister. I was looking up Google with reference to the Rev G Piercy and came across The Correspondence Series. I am currently in touch with some of Dr W. and Francis' descendants in the UK, Canada and Australia, including Dr FE whose father Arthur Evans lived in Durban and she later practised in Cape Town. She now lives in Townsville, Qld, Australia.
We are currently working on the Piercy family tree. There are special celebrations taking place in Hong Kong in October in honour of the Reverend George Piercy who was the first Methodist Missionary to go to China 160 years ago, where he lived for 40 years. [signed JAS]

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My cousin AS from Melbourne has brought your research to my attention. Willmott Henderson Evans was a Harley Street Surgeon who worked at the Royal Free Hospital and Blackfriars Hospital. He lectured to the students of The London school of medicine for Women. He married Ann Frances while she was a student. She became a doctor with various appointments. Two of their three sons, Evan and Arthur lived in the Transvaal. South Africa. Arthur was my father. I qualified at Wits in 1952. From 1984 to 2004 I worked in Outpatients at Red Cross Children's hospital (as Dr FE).

ⁱ He was the third son of the Dr. Evan Evans (1820-1887), R.N., Diploma (1842) Royal College of Surgeons.

ⁱⁱ This the notation as it appears in the Medical Register (1914 onwards)

ⁱⁱⁱ She was the daughter of Rev. George Piercy, Wesleyan Missionary Society of Canton, Kuang-Tung, China.