

DR. GERARD EDWARD LOCKYER

Gerard Edward Lockyer was born in Penzance, Cornwall 1869. In 1881, he was a resident of Christ's Hospital School, Newgate Street, London, boarding together with some 260 other boys aged 10 to 18 years. Though details are sketchy, the suggestion is that he was from a poor background.

First registered on 4 August 1893 with a MRCS (Eng) LRCP (Lond), having qualified at Guy's Hospital, London.

His entry in "The Medical Directory " states that he was a Civilian Surgeon in the South African Field Force between 1900 - 1901, attaining the rank of Captain. In civilian life, he was an active member of the British Medical Association and practiced at Much Wenlock, Salop, Shropshire. He retired in 1937 to board with the Rev. R Merklejohn, Metton Rectory, Roughton, Norwich.

For his services in South Africa, he was awarded the Queen's South Africa Medal 1899-1902 with state bar Transvaal, battle clasp Laing's Nek and date bar SA'01. He arrived in South Africa on board The Goth, having left Southampton, England 31 March 1900. He left South Africa on board the Pinemore on 15 March 1901.

He died circa 1939/1940



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