# My paternal grandparents DANIEL ZVI (HARRIS DANIEL) NOYEK (1873-1932) and ELIZA (BESSIE GERTRUDE) PRICE (1880-1961)

### ...by Davída Noyek Handler



DANIEL ZVI (HARRIS DANIEL) NOYEK - 2<sup>nd</sup> child of Aaron Hillel NOIECK) – youngest of eight children - was born September 3, 1873, in Užventis, Lithuania.

The severity and frequency of pogroms against the Jews of the Russian Empire had intensified following the promulgation of the May Laws of 1881, and it had become increasingly dangerous for the Noyek family to remain in Lithuania, even though they had lived there since the 1700s. Most of our Jewish ancestors left their shtetlach (small villages) within the "Pale of Settlement" in the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries. In 1897, about 300 Jews still lived in Uzventis. Many had already left for the United States, South Africa, England, and Ireland.

In the autumn of 1894, about a year after the birth of their youngest sibling, Harris Daniel and his older brother Abraham left Uzventis, eventually ending up in Dublin, Ireland. Their journey took more than three years! It had encompassed over 1500 miles, much of it on foot, through Poland, Germany, Holland, and England. Neither one at that time spoke any English - only Yiddish and Russian. They arrived in Dublin in February 1897, having completed a large part of their travels walking, by train, and in steerage on Lithuanian grain ships.

An endearing story handed down (which may never be verified) tells of one family member (possibly Abraham) who financed their exit by creeping up to the Russian Soldiers camps at night. It appears that, while the soldiers were sleeping, he cut the silver buttons from their uniforms, and then melted them down and forged some silver coins, with which he bribed the authorities to let them leave!

The experiences of Abraham and Harris Daniel in Lithuania, and on their travels to Ireland, so traumatized them that they could never speak of them again, even to their own children. According to reports, each question was met with the same response - "It was terrible. You don't want to know about it!"

When the two brothers arrived in Dublin, there were more than 3,000 Jews in Ireland, primarily of Eastern European extraction. A small portion had settled in Cork and Limerick. The majority settled in Dublin. They were almost 100% Lithuanian born – ("Litvaks") and came mainly from adjoining shtetlach. Until the 1950s, most of Ireland's Jews could still trace their roots to Lithuania.

Dublin, which was then part of the British Commonwealth, is now the capital of the Republic of Ireland.

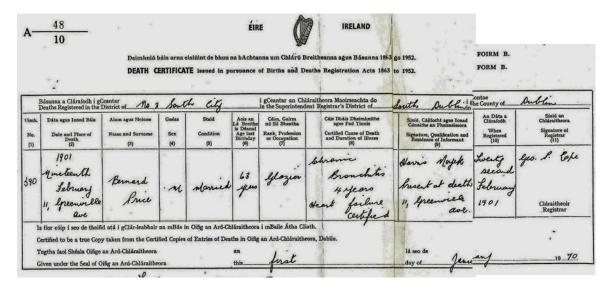
Throughout the early years of the Lithuanian resettlement in Dublin, there was a much-intertwined NOYEK/PRICE/STEIN connection. Harris Daniel took lodgings at the home of Nathan and Sarah Price – whose two older sons, Maurice and Ezra Price had already left Dublin for Kimberley, South Africa. On August 16, 1899, Harry Stein's nephew Solomon Stein (another immigrant from Uzventis) married Emma Louise Price, Nathan and Sarah's daughter.

The Dublin Jewish community at that time was nothing but a handful of (for the most part) impoverished families, who themselves had come as emigrants from Eastern Europe, but in the time honored tradition of helping other Jews, some members of the community took the brothers in to live with them until they could support themselves.

Isaac Noyk and his "landsman" (fellow countryman) Harry Stein were already becoming established in the impoverished, but growing community of Lithuanian Jewish refugees. Harris Daniel's first job in Dublin was in Harry Stein's furniture shop. Although his brother Abraham was a good businessman, Harris Daniel was more of a scholar and a dreamer. He became a traveling draper (at this point, it is unclear if he worked for his cousin Isaac, or simply peddled door-to-door on his own.)

Harris Daniel and Eliza (Bessie Gertrude) Price, Emma's younger sister, and the daughter of his landlady, became engaged in 1901. "Bessie G" – as she was known all of her life, was born August 15, 1880 in Dublin, Ireland (Irish Birth Certificate C86#6)

When his father-in-law to be, Nathan Bernard Price died on February 19, 1901, at the family home on 11 Greenville Avenue, Harris Daniel was listed as a witness.



Daniel Zvi and Bessie G were married March 14, 1902, in Dublin, in a double wedding ceremony, along with his brother Abraham, and Abraham's bride Molly (Malke) Robinson. Harry Stein (Harris Daniel's brother-in-law) was a witness to both weddings.

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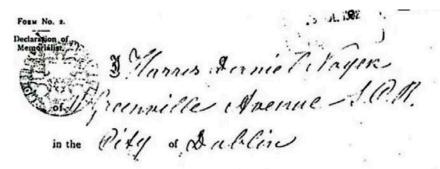
Following their wedding, Sarah Price decided to immigrate to Kimberley, South Africa, with her (then) three unmarried sons<sup>1</sup>. This left only Bessie G, her older sister, Emma, and their descendants to represent the original Price family in Dublin. The newlyweds remained in the Greenville Avenue home, where they kept pet chickens in the back courtyard.

The family discovered, after they had moved in, that the house had been named "Ropers Rest," after its' former owner Roper had hanged himself there! At that time, the area around was all farmland. In addition, as a historic note, during the 1916 Irish Rebellion, Morrie - then 8 years old - witnessed (from his bedroom window) British soldiers indiscriminately shooting into house windows up and down his street.

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Harris Daniel made his initial filing for Irish citizenship in July 1902.

All the forms were filled out in his own handwriting.



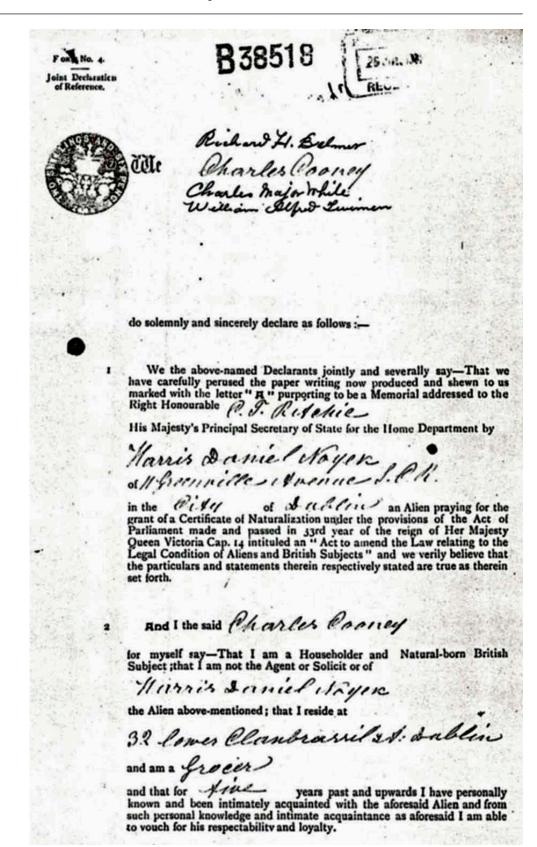
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Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department praying for the grant of a Certificate of Naturalization under the provisions of the Act of Parliament made and passed in the 33rd year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria Cap. 14 intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to the Legal Condition of Alicus and British Subjects" are true as therein set forth.

And I make this solemn Declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the Statutory Declaration Act 1835.

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When he became an Irish Citizen, November 22, 1902, Daniel Zvi (Harris Daniel) was the second member of the Noyek family to be naturalized in Dublin, on November 22, 1902, via certificate #12788, HO Paper #B38518.

Isaac Noyk was the first. He took the oath of allegiance on November 26, four days later.

Harris Daniel's signature ▶

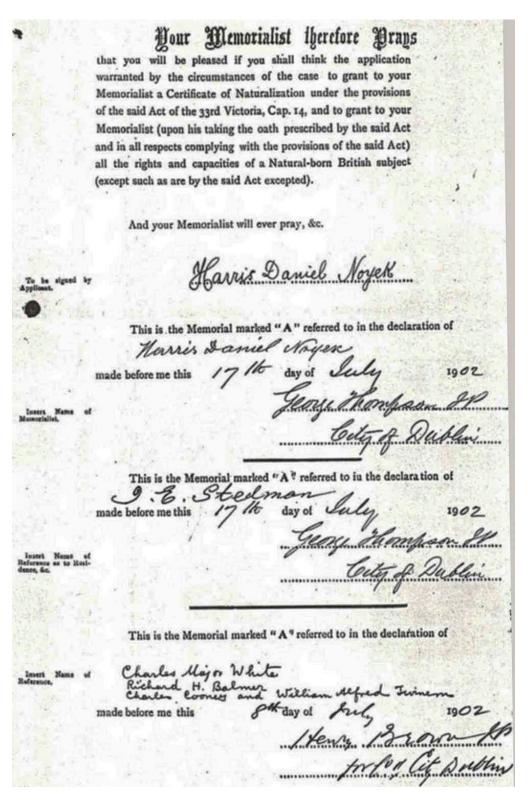
His witnesses were Charles Major White – a city missionary,

Richard H. Balmer – a saddler,

Charles Cooney – a grocer,

And William Alfred Twimen – a druggist.

Each swore that they had known him for at least five years, and that he was "an honorable and decent man!"



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- That the grounds on which your Memoralist seeks to obtain the rights and capacities of a Natural-born British subject are as follows—

Because your Memorialist has so long resided in England that he has become attached to the United Kingdom and its Government, and having become permanently settled and domiciled in England, and intending henceforth permanently to reside within the United Kingdom he is desirous and it will be greatly for his benefit and advantage to obtain and excreise all the rights and capacities of a Natural-born Subject of the United Kingdom so far as the same are authorized to be granted to the Memorialist by the said Act.

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Detective Department,

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August 14th-1902.

Application by Harris Daniel Noyek for Naturalization.

With reference to attached I beg to state the above named resides at 11 Grenville Avenue, South Circular Road, and is employed as a Draper in retailing wearing apparel to a large extent. His character and respectability are above reproach; he is a respectable, industrious, and law abiding citizen, and has every intention to reside in Dublin as long as he lives, because he likes to reside in a free country and be subject to the laws and regulations of same where he is able to carry on good business and maintain a good livelihood for the remainder of his life.

With recard to the period of residence mentioned in attached I find he is living at 11 Grenville Avenue, South Circular Road from February 1897 up to the present. He is married, living with his wife, and has no children.

As regards the referees. -

Charles Major White, Richard H. Balmer, Charles Cooney, and William Alfred Twinem, each lives at the address given, they are householders and law abiding trustworthy and respectable men all of whom are natural torn British Subjects and are not a ent or solicitor for the said Harris Daniel Noyek. Each of the above named is acquainted with the applicant for the past 51 years through business and being living in the same locality.

The residence referee, Joseph Elley Stedmon, 20 Peter Street, resides with his parents at said address, his father paying a weekly rent of 4/- for two rooms - this being a tenement house - Joseph Elley Stedmon is not a householder, but is a respectable law abiding and trustworthy man who is neither agent nor solicitor for the applicant. He is acquainted with him through business

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and that in the period of eight years preceding his application he has resided for five years within the United Kingdom, and intends, when naturalized, to reside therein: And whereas I have inquired into the circumstances of the case, and have received such evidence as I have deemed necessary for proving the truth of the allegations contained in such Memorial, so far as the same relate to the Memorialist: Now, in pursuance of the authority given to me by the said Acts, I grant Damel . Norch this Certificate, and declare that he is hereby naturalized as a British Subject, and that, upon taking the Oath of Allegiance, he shail in the United Kingdom be entitled to all political and other rights, powers, and privileges, and be subject to all obligations, to which a natural-born British Subject is entitled or subject in the United Kingdom; with this qualification, that he shall not, when within the limits of the Foreign State of which he was a Subject, be deemed to be a British Subject, unless he has ceased to be a Subject of that State in pursuance of the laws thereof, or in pursuance of a Treaty to that effect. In recess whereof I have hereto subscribed my Name this 22 day A. Akers. Donglas HOME OFFICE, LONDON. Oath of Allegiance, 1, Abris Daniel Noyek do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Edward, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me GOD. (Signature of Allen) Harris David Noyth Sworn and subscribed this 26 , day of November 190, before me Justice of the Peace for The Bane

Commissioner for Oaths.

Letter should be adhered . -" The Abnder Secretary, Dublin Gastle"

Duelin Castle, 20th august. 18902.

SIR,

With reference to your letter of the 28th wells , relative to the application of Mr. M. B. Koyek , for a Certificate of Naturalization, I am directed by the Lord Lieutenant to transmit to you herewith for the information of the Secretary of State for the Home Department, a copy of a report which has been received from the Police Authorities on the subject.

The enclosures of your letter are herewith returned,

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SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

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The Under-Secretary of State,

Home Office,

London, S W.

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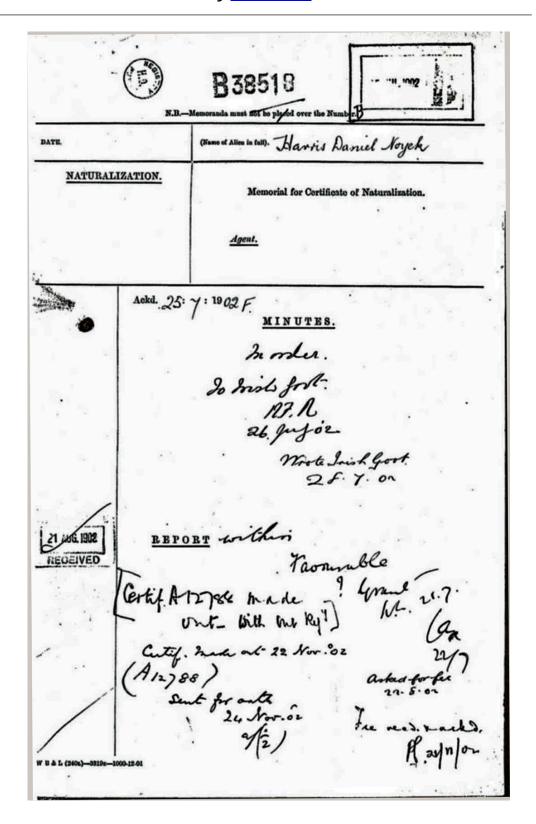
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Naturalization listings in the London Gazette, January 2, 1903

### THE LONDON GAZETTE, JANUARY 2, 1903.

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Name.	Country.	Date of taking Oath of Allegiance.	Place of Residence.
Kanovsky, Marks Kasovsky, David	Russia	11th December, 1902 2nd December, 1902	London, 124, Brick-lane, Spitalfields London, 5, Church-passage, Lamb-
Katz, Oscar	Germany	9th December, 1902	street, Spitalfields Manchester, 183, High - street, Chorlton-on-Medlock
Kehler, August Korts, Gustave William	Russia France	3rd December, 1902 11th December, 1902	Leeds, 13, Cobourg-street Surrey, 7, Whitworth-road, South
Lahn, Elias Harris	Russia	22nd December, 1902	Norwood, Croydon Surrey, 32, Sumner-road, West Croydon
Littman, James	Russia	11th December, 1902	London, 88c, Pelham-street, Mile End New Town
Lubash, Solomon	Austria- Hungary	2nd December, 1902	London, 105 and 107, Bermondsey New-road
Lundberg, Andreas Peter	Sweden	11th December, 1902	Middlesex, 243, Whiteman-road, Hornsey
Markman, Joseph, known as Joseph Jacobs	Russia	10th December, 1902	Manchester, 52, Elizabeth-street, Cheetham
Marks, Abraham	Russia	22nd December, 1902	London, 23, Plummer's-row, White- chapel
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Muth, Daniel	Russia	9th December, 1902	London, 92, Stepney Green-dwel- lings, Stepney
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Olsen, Oluf Johan Pearlman, Joseph	Norway Russia	1st December, 1902 22nd December, 1902	Cardiff, 48, Taff Embankment London, 136, Nathaniel-buildings, Spitalfields
Peskin, Henry Woolf Petrousky, Joseph	Russia Russia	8th December, 1902 22nd December, 1902	London, 173, Amhurst-road, Hackney London, 33, Little Pulteney-street, Soho
Prager, Frederick	Austria- Hungary	28th November, 1902	Manchester, 99, Marlborough-road, Higher Broughton
Racousen, Harris	Russia	9th December, 1902	Dublin, 36, Raymond-street, South Circular-road
Ramischkofsky, Marks, known as Marks Gold-	Russia	2nd December, 1902	Essex, 53, Harcourt-avenue, Manor Park
Reif, Berthold	Austria- Hungary	15th December, 1902	Bradford, Moor Park View, 313, Killinghall-road
Rosendorff, Adolf	Germany	29th November, 1902	
Rosenstein, Samuel Rudofsky, Lewis	Russia	25th December, 1902 13th December, 1902	Glasgow, 24, Saltmarket London, 70, Devonshire-road, Mare- street, Hackney
Safion, Morris	Russia	25th November, 1902	London, 40, Old Montague-street, Whitechapel
Salinger, Alfred	Germany	11th December, 1902	London, 114, Adelaide-road, South Hampstead
Saltzman, Max	Russia	22nd November, 1902	London, 4, Alexander's-buildings, Commercial-street, Spitalfields
Schwabacher, Ernest	Austria- Hungary	8th December, 1902	London, 59, Conduit-street, Bond- street
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Stern, Gustav Stottner, Jacob	Germany	20th December, 1902 17th December, 1902	London, 21, King-square Essex, 76, Ham Park-road, Forest
Von Hodenberg, Georg	Germany	13th December, 1902	Gate London, 16, Upper Gloucester-place,
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Wiseman, Moris	Roumania	1st December, 1902	London, 4, Varden-street, New-road, Whitechapel
Wolf, Berthold	Germany	28th November, 1902	London, 5, St. George's-square, Regent's Park

Harris Daniel ►
Noyek
11 Greenville
Avenue, South
Circular Road,
Dublin, Ireland

Harry Stein ► (Daniel Zvi's brother-in-law) – naturalized on the same day.

By 1908, Harris Daniel and Eliza had four children, Barney, Tillie, Isadore Isaac (Tommy), and Maurice. They were all born at the family home, which was next door to Doody's Dairy, and across the street from Daniel's brother Abraham. Eliza was pregnant with their fifth - Rachel. The money situation was very tight. Harris Daniel did not have enough money to support his growing family.

#### Daniel Zvi (Harris Daniel) NOYEK

Birth: 03 Sep 1873 Užventis,

Kelme, Lithuania

Death: 04 Jun 1932 Dublin,

Ireland

#### Nathan Bernard (Barney) NOYEK

Birth: 20 Jan 1903 Dublin,

Ireland

Death: 18 Oct 1968 Dublin,

Ireland

### Florence Patricia (Florrie) CLEIN

Birth: 28 Sep 1904 Cork,

Ireland

Marriage: 22 Jun 1930 Dublin,

Ireland

Death: 18 Oct 1977 Dublin,

Ireland

### Eliza (Bessie Gertrude) PRICE

Birth: 18 Aug 1880 Dublin,

Ireland

Marriage: 14 Mar 1902 Dublin,

Ireland

Death: 05 Jun 1961 Dublin,

Ireland

### Isadore Isaac (Iccy or Tommy) "Tommy" NOYEK

Birth: 10 Apr 1907 Dublin,

Ireland

Death: 28 Jul 1996 Dublin,

Ireland

#### Freda BENNET

Birth: 22 Jun 1910 Dublin,

Ireland

Marriage: 01 Sep 1937

London, England

Death: 30 Nov 1990 Dublin,

Ireland

### Tillie NOYEK

Birth: 12 Sep 1904 Dublin,

Ireland

Death: 21 Apr 1985 Kimberley, Northern Cape, South Africa

#### Philip Alexander PRICE

Birth: 07 Jul 1904 Kimberley, Northern Cape, South Africa Marriage: 31 Mar 1929 Kimberley, Northern Cape,

South Africa

Death: 19 Jun 1969

Johannesburg, Gauteng, South

Africa

#### Maurice (Morrie) NOYEK

Birth: 28 Dec 1908 Dublin,

Ireland

Death: 21 May 1986 North Babylon, Suffolk, New York,

USA

#### Leah (Lil) LEPLER

Birth: 16 Jul 1909 Dublin,

Ireland

Marriage: 20 Aug 1933 Dublin,

Ireland

Death: 28 Feb 1997 Commack,

Suffolk, New York, USA

#### Rachel (Rocky) NOYEK

Birth: 01 Jul 1911 Dublin,

Ireland

Death: 20 Apr 1981 London,

England

#### Henry SEGAL

Birth: 1906 England

Marriage: 1948 Dublin, Ireland Death: Jan 1961 England

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Because of the diamond industry, Kimberley had been a "Boom Town" at the turn of the century. Most of the settlers there had become comfortable, and many even prosperous. Although they had by no means become rich, the Price brothers were at least able to send money back to help the family in Dublin.

O'Connell Street Bridge, Dublin - 1910 ▼



Maurice (Morrie) and Iccy (Tommy) - 1910 ►



Irish Census 1911 - Residents of a house, 11 Greenville Avenue (South City No. 3, Dublin)

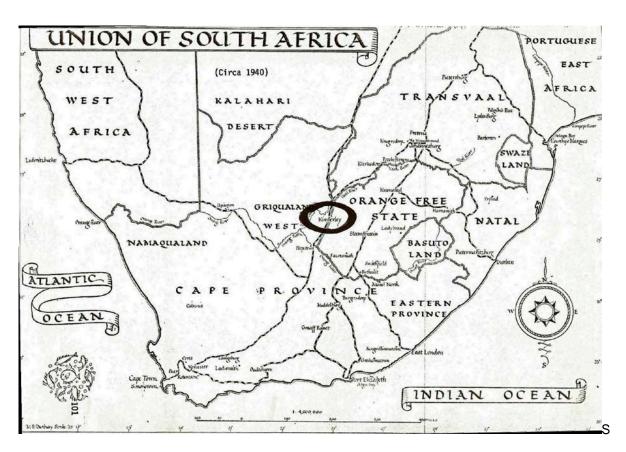
Surname	Forename	Age	Sex
Noyek	Harris Daniel		Male
Noyek	ek Bessie Gertrude		Female
Noyek	Nathan Bernard	8	Male
Noyek	Tillie	6	Female
Noyek	Noyek Isadore		Male
Noyek	Maurice	2	Male

(Before Rachel "Rocky"'s birth)

In 1911, Harris Daniel and Solomon decided to go to South Africa to seek their fortunes. This was not an unusual decision for Irish Jews in 1911. So many were leaving for South Africa with its promise of wealth, that a portion of the wharf on the North Wall of the River Liffey became known as the "Wailing Wall of Dublin." This area was so named by porters working at the docks, because of the streams of women coming there to bid their children and grandchildren "goodbye." These women cried because they assumed that they would never see their children again. In most cases, this became fact.

The brothers-in-law moved into Sarah Price's home. At the time, they did not know of the other Noyek/Noik/Noick/Noick etc. migrations to South Africa, and so no contacts were ever made! Shortly after their arrival in Kimberley, Eliza gave birth to Rockie in Dublin.

With the experience he had gained in Dublin, Maurice Price (Bessie Gertrude's and Emma's brother) opened a bakery and small grocery shop. Harris Daniel took a job driving a horse-drawn cart to deliver the bakeries. He found that conditions were not much better in Kimberley than they had been in Dublin. He did, however, manage to send whatever meager earnings he could save, home. Bessie G, who was a great financial manager, began to acquire some properties, which she then rented out by the week, to supplement her teaching earnings. The family subsisted on this.



Then, in August of 1914, the First World War broke out. The Kimberley diamond industry, always vulnerable to international crises, was paralyzed by the war. This in turn affected all other businesses, bakers included.

Because all methods of transportation were cut off, Harris Daniel and Solomon were neither able to send for their families, nor go back to Dublin themselves. Sarah Price died in Kimberley in 1916. She had not seen her daughters since leaving Dublin in 1902, nor seen any of her family since leaving Lithuania in the 1870's.



Eliza (Bessie Gertrude) 1917

Probably, Harris Daniel and the Price family would indeed have prospered, had not the worldwide epidemic known as the "Spanish Flu" invaded Kimberley. Harris Daniel, along with Solomon Stein, and the Price brothers, faced hard times!

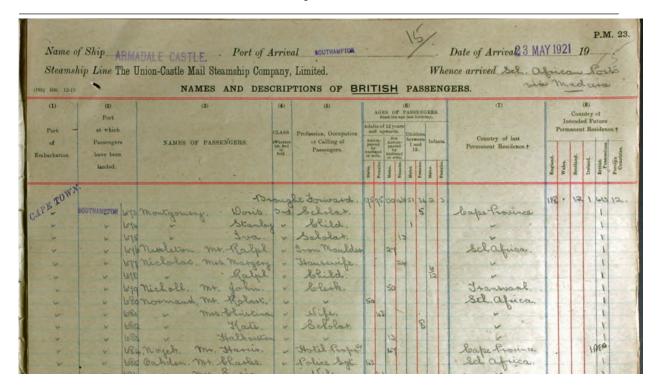
In 1918, the local paper "The Diamond Fields Advertiser" quotes Dolly Pickering during the closing days of the war:

"The roses that year were too wonderful, but when you walked down the street you did not see a soul. So much beauty and such desolation; it was tragic."

Kimberley lost 4,483 people - 85% of the entire population - during the months of October and November 1918. The most susceptible were young men between the ages of twenty-five and forty-five. It was during this epidemic that two of Bessie G's brothers, Maurice and Samuel died within three weeks of each other, in Kimberley.

During this epidemic, Bessie Gertrude tended to all her Dublin neighbors who were ill, without any thoughts for her own safety.

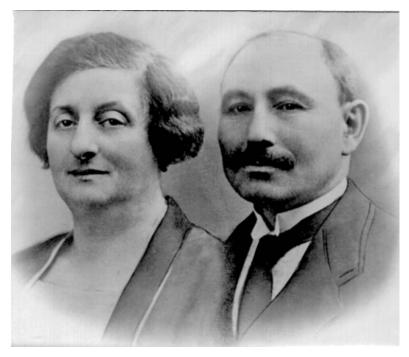
Harris Daniel finally saved enough money to return to Dublin in 1921. Dolly Price Horowitz (Harris Daniel's sister) remembered "Uncle Harry" taking her out to buy candy before he went back to Ireland.



Passenger manifest – "Armadale Castle" – May 23, 1921. Harris Daniel arrives in Southampton, England, (en route to Dublin)from the Cape Province, South Africa.

For the first time in almost ten years, the family was together again!

Bessie Gertrude and Harris Daniel
- Dublin, Ireland – 1921 ▶



Harris Daniel was a scholarly and religious man, extremely gentle and with absolutely no head for business. His South African experience had destroyed him. His return to Ireland was in the midst of the "great depression" of the early 1920s and he decided to take over Bessie Gertrude's rent collections.

It was a disaster! He would frequently return home with nothing, telling his wife that the people he called on were starving, and needed the money to feed their families. Always the practical one, she would ask "and who will feed ours?"

He never made much money, but was always ready to share whatever he had with those less fortunate.

Obviously either too proud to seek, or simply unable to get help from Abraham's family, he remained in Dublin working at whatever jobs he could find, including trying to sell clothing from door to door.

In 1924, Philip Price (the son of Bessie Gertrude's sister, Sarah) came to Dublin from South Africa to study dentistry at Trinity College. He stayed with the Noyeks, and following his graduation in 1928, went back to South Africa. Daniel Zvi's sister, Tillie, followed him, and they were married in Kimberley in 1929.

That same year, Barney, Daniel Zvi's eldest son, opened up his pharmacy, and his brother, Iccy, went to work for him. A year later, in 1930, Barney and Florence Clein were married.

> Nathan Bernard (Barney) Novek Birth: 20 Jan 1903 Dublin, =

> > Ireland

Florence Patricia (Florrie) Clein

Birth: 28 Sep 1904 Cork, Ireland

**Helen Diane Novek** Birth: 20 Jul 1932 Dublin, Ireland Death: 12 Jul 1998 Dublin,

Ireland

Jack Marcus Birth: 02 Jun 1918 Dublin, Ireland Marriage: 19 Jul 1959

Dublin, Ireland

Marleen Jeanette Novek Ireland

**Brendon Clive Wynn** Birth: 14 Jun 1935 Dublin, = Birth: 03 Jan 1938 Dublin, Ireland Marriage: 08 Sep 1970 London, England

On June 14, 1932 (Hebrew date 10 Sivan, 5692, Harris Daniel died at the family home in Dublin. He was sixty-one. He is buried in the Jewish Cemetery, Dolphin's Barn, Dublin, in Row 1.

From Irish National Archives: NOYEK, HARRIS D. (837) 26 August 1932. Probate of the Will of HARRIS DANIEL NOYEK late of 11 Greenville Avenue, South Circular Road, Dublin. Draper who died 14th June 1932. Granted at Dublin to Bessie G. Noyek, Widow.

Although all of Bessie Gertrude's siblings, except one, (Emma Louise Price Stein) had immigrated to South Africa, Bessie Gertrude remained in Dublin after Harris Daniel died. She was then aged 42. Tillie and Barney were both married.

In 1932, Morrie became engaged to Leah Lepler - the daughter of David and Rose Lepler immigrants from Belarus – and they were married August 20, 1933.

Maurice (Morrie) Noyek Birth: 28 Dec 1908 Dublin, Ireland

Death: 21 May 1986 North Babylon, New York, USA

Leah (Lil) Lepler Birth: 16 Jul 1909 Dublin, Ireland Marriage: 20 Aug 1933

Dublin, Ireland

Davida Noyek Birth: 21 Jan 1937 Dublin. = Ireland

James Marvin Handler Birth: 28 May 1933 Waterloo, Iowa, USA Marriage: 01 Mar 1959 Dublin, Ireland

**Harold Daniel Noyek** Birth: 23 Nov 1942 Dublin. Ireland

Death: 10 Jan 1943 Dublin, Ireland

Phyllis Noyek Ireland

Samuel Jacob Klein Birth: 08 Mar 1944 Dublin, = Birth: 03 Jul 1943 Chicago, Illinois, USA Marriage: 03 Sep 1967 Cedar Rapids, Iowa, USA

Iccy married Freda Bennet in 1937.

Isadore Isaac (Iccy or Tommy) Noyek Birth: 10 Apr 1907 Dublin, = Ireland

Freda Estella Bennet Birth: 22 Jun 1910 Dublin, Ireland Marriage: 01 Sep 1937 London, England

**David Noyek** Birth: 08 Aug 1943 Dublin, = Birth: 24 Jul 1944 England Ireland

**Judith Martin** Marriage: 25 Mar 1973 London, England

Doris (Debbie) Noyek Birth: 12 Sep 1947 Dublin, Ireland

Rocky was still living with her mother - who remained in the Greenville Avenue home - supporting

herself from the rental incomes.

An extremely charitable woman, Bessie G founded the Dublin Jewish Brides Aid Society (an organization to help women who could not afford to pay for their own weddings or buy household supplies) in 1939.

Bessie Gertrude, with three of her granddaughters living in Dublin Marleen and Helen - Barney's daughters (standing) Davida - Morrie's daughter (seated), Dublin -1944 ▶



Bessie G had quite a flair for the dramatic, and had the strongest Dublin accent ever heard. On the day her sister Emma died in 1947, she stopped dying her hair jet black. As the roots started growing out, she would comment "Look at me - when Emmie died, me hair turned white overnight!"

Following Rocky's marriage to Henry Segal in 1948, she sold the Greenville Avenue home, and moved in with them.

Rachel (Rocky) Noyek Birth: 01 Jul 1911 Dublin, Ireland

Death: 20 Apr 1981 London, England

Henry Segal Birth: 1906 England Marriage: 14 Mar 1948 Dublin, Ireland; Greenville Hall Synagogue

Hilary Segal Birth: 02 May 1949 Dublin, Ireland

Death: 20 Apr 1981 London, England

lan Benson Birth: Abt. 1947 Marriage: Jun 1974

London, England

She was an avid poker player, loved to sing rousing Irish songs, particularly "With me shillelagh under me arm" - and surprised the American relatives by dancing an Irish Jig at the wedding of her granddaughter, Davida Noyek to Jim Handler, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, on March 1, 1959. She baked fabulous Passover sponge cakes. Her favorite comment was "No one sees the failures; they just go right down the drain!" Her success rate was all the more remarkable since all of this was done in the days before electric mixers and cuisinarts. Perhaps she got her expertise from her mother, Sarah Saltzberg Price who was a caterer at Jewish weddings.

Bessie Gertrude died 05 June 1961 in Dublin. The listed cause of her death was cancer of the sinus. She is buried in Dublin Jewish Cemetery, Dolphin's Barn, and Dublin – Row 8.