

Privy Council of the King
of Prussia. He was first
cousin to the General von
Grolman, whose name is
well known in the Annals
of the wars of liberation,
he being Quarter Master
General to Blücher's
Army at the battle of
Waterloo, &c. I merely
mention this, as the less
you know personally of
myself

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Reverend Sir,

I was of course prepared to
be asked by you some
particulars regarding myself,
my family and position,
before you could give your
consent to my marriage
with your daughter, and
I beg hereby your pardon

The Revd. W. H. G. Lloyd
Colonial Chaplain
Durban, Natal

for

for not having given them at once; but I felt indeed shy at first of intruding, unasked for, more than necessarily my personal affairs upon you. I am the more glad that you have now desired me to do so.

I was born in 1827 at Berlin, where my father (the Revd. Fr. Bleek, D.D.) was then Professor of Theology; but

but as two years afterwards he accepted a professorship at the University of Bonn, I have spent the greater part of my life at that place. My mother is the third daughter of the late President Sethe, who since 1819 presided at Berlin over the Supreme Court for the Rhenish Provinces, and was a member of the Privy