

Edward Pierce Llewellyn Hughes

100 Kedleston Road

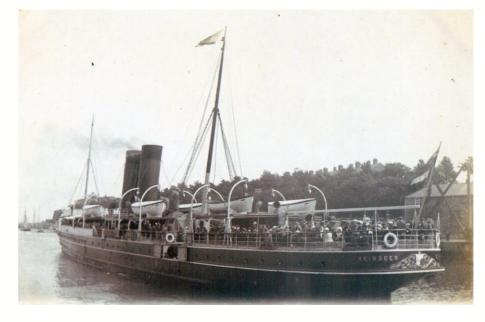
Dr E P L Hughes was born in Ireland and raised in London. He was educated at Dulwich College, before moving to Durham University and then Guy's Hospital to train as a Surgeon and Physician.

He must have moved to Derby sometime after 1911 when he qualified and he lived at 100 Kedleston Road from about 1914. In the 1915 Directory he is listed as practising as a surgeon and physician at this address with Dr Hunt, whom he was to remain in partnership with until 1931.

In 1912 Edward married Annie Wilhelmina Whittle Ferguson – better known in her family as Minnie, in Ireland. They had two daughters – Shelagh (born 1913) and Lorna (born 1915).

In December 1915 Dr Hughes was appointed Lieutenant Surgeon (temporary) in the Royal Navy. We are not sure which ships he served on in the early part of the war but by 1918 he was the surgeon for two ships – SS Whitby Abbey, an armed boarding steamer (a warship used for boarding enemy vessels), and SS Reindeer, used for transporting troops between Weymouth and Cherbourg. Both ships were merchant ships which were commandeered for the duration of the war, and saw most of their active service in the Mediterranean – SS Whitby Abbey played a major role in transporting troops in the Battle of Gallipoli, in 1915. Reindeer was built for the Great

Western Railway and operated as a passenger ferry between Weymouth and the Channel Islands between 1897 and 1925.



"SS Reindeer" was requisitioned by the Royal Navy in October 1914 and first used as a minesweeper in the Mediterranean before being used for transporting troops.

By mid 1919 Dr Hughes had been demobilised from the Navy and was back in Derby, still living at 100 Kedleston Road.

Sometimes before 1922 he moved to "Strathaven" 20, Kedleston Road, the large house next to the Polish Club. He continued working as a physician and surgeon with Doctors Hughes and Honan. In the 1920s he was appointed the Medical Officer for Derbyshire Hospital for Sick Children, which then stood on North Street.

Edward died aged 68 in 1952, still living at "Strathaven". His daughter Shelagh and her husband Gerald continued to live in the family house. Minnie died in 1981 in Kingston upon Thames in Surrey.



