

GORT, 8th Viscount (Ir.); Colin Leopold Prendergast Vereker, JP

B. 21 June 1916; s. of Comdr. Leopold George Prendergast Vereker RD, RNR and Helen Marjorie Campbell; *ed.* at Sevenoaks; *m.* (1946) Bettine Mary Mackenzie *dau.* of Godfrey Greene; 2 s. 1 *dau.*

Trained at Air Service Training, Hamble, in aeronautical engineering, etc., 1937-39; Fleet Air Arm 1939-45 (despatches); company director; member Castletown Town Commissioners 1960-73 (chairman on three occasions); JP 1972; MHK (Castletown) 1966-71 (*Ind.*); contested Castletown unsuccessfully 1962, 1971 and 1976 (*Ind.*); *chairman*, Airports Board 1968-71; *member*, Health Services Board 1966-70, Highway and Transport Board 1966-70, Airports Board 1966-68, Tourist Board 1970-71; *committees of Tynwald*: *chairman*, Gas Undertakings 1967-71, Transport 1967-71, Membership of Local Authorities 1968, Douglas Boundaries 1968. Attended CPA Plenary Conference, Uganda 1967, and CPA Regional Conference, Isle of Man 1969, Gibraltar 1970, Jersey 1971; former *chairman* of governors, Buchan School; former *churchwarden*, St. Mary's, Castletown; succeeded kinsman as 8th Viscount Gort (cr. 1816) and Baron Kiltarton (cr. 1810) May 1975.

Interests - golf, fishing and gardening.

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