



The marriage of Ianthe Dalway's parents

06 September 1905

Introduction re E. Lucia's family

As already noted on the webpage, Ianthe Dalway's mother was born Evelyn Lucy Bell Walker, though she was already using Lucia rather than Lucy by the time of her wedding.

Her father, Henry Kershaw Walker, was absent from the family home in 2 Ormonde Terrace, St John's Wood, London, on the day of the 1901 National Census, likely working away from home – maybe in Australia (see footnote on page 2). However, it's interesting that the Kershaw part of the family name is missing, replaced by 'Bill' – a misinterpretation for Bell (confirmed by Evelyn Lucy's baptismal record and see also the best man's name below). Perhaps the assimilation of Kershaw improved the family's social status in St John's Wood!

Evelyn Lucy Bell Walker, born on 18 May 1884, was baptised in the parish of Woodstock, Oxfordshire, on 21 June 1884. The family 'abode' was given as Isleworth; her father Henry's occupation as 'merchant'.

So, in residence in 1901, were –

Frances Elizabeth Walker [née Bell], wife, age 50, born Manchester, Lancashire;
Henry Francis Bill [Bell] Walker, son, age 24, [illegible] student, b. Southwick, Birmingham;
Charles Bill [Bell] Walker, son, age 23, engineering draughtsman, born Southwick, B'ham;
Beatrice Mary Bill [Bell] Walker, daughter, age 22, art student, b. Chesterfield, Derbyshire;
Evelyn Lucy Bill [Bell] Walker, daughter, age 16, born Twickenham, Middlesex;
Margaret D. S. Walker, daughter, age 11, born Davenport, Cheshire
Eirene F. H. Walker, daughter, age 7, born Lindale in Cartmel, Lancashire

E. Lucia's wedding to HGDT

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The Weddings of the Week

Professor H. G. Dalway Turnbull to Miss Evelyn Kershaw Walker.

Miss Evelyn Lucia Kershaw Walker, second daughter of Mr. H. Kershaw Walker of The Homestead, Altona*, Melbourne, and 2, Ormonde Terrace, N.W. [London,] was married to Harold George Dalway Turnbull (Professor of English Literature, Poona, Bombay), son of the late Dr. G. Wardlaw Turnbull and Mrs. Turnbull, at the Church of St Stephen's the Martyr, Avenue Road, [Portland Town, Hampstead,] N.W. [London,] recently [actually on Tuesday, 06 September 1905]. The officiating clergyman was the Rev. G. A. Betts (vicar). The bride, who was preceded up the aisle by the choir, was given away by her brother, Mr. C. Walker. She wore a biscuit-

coloured cloth gown, richly embroidered with pale blue and silver, with vest of point d'Alençon lace. Her hat was a Gainsborough silver straw, draped with lace and white ostrich feathers, under the brim a wreath of forget-me-nots, and pale satin strings tied with forget-me-nots. She was attended by her two sisters — Miss Margaret and Eirene Kershaw Walker — who wore soft muslin dresses with long sashes, and picture hats tied under the chin. The bridegroom was supported by Mr. Arnold Bell Walker as best man. After the ceremony a small reception was held at 2, Ormonde Terrace by Mrs. Kershaw Walker. The wedding cake was supplied by Messrs. W. & G. Buszard.

* The Homestead, Altona, is of local historic, social and aesthetic significance to the City of Hobsons Bay. Historically significant as the oldest house (c.1855-1909) in the Altona area and one of the oldest within Australia's Western region. 'It demonstrates the immediate post-contact pastoralist phase of development and has strong associations with Alfred Langhorne who was one of the first European settlers in this area. ... Henry Kershaw Walker was ... rated for what was described as the "Altona Bay Co, homestead" in 1908-09. ... Walker's listed occupation was that of manager which was apparently in his role of engineer in charge of the mining enterprise operated by WH Croker located near the old wool shed site. It is likely that the Edwardian-era additions and changes were made at this time. (*Hobsons Bay Heritage Study, Amended 2017, Vol.3, pp.893-896*).

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