

Dinah Eleanor Turnbull 1864-1921

Dinah Eleanor was the third daughter and fourth child of Christopher and Eliza Turnbull. She was born in Workington early in 1864 and was christened in the Presbyterian Church on 28 Jan 1864.

In 1881 Dinah, aged 17 years, was unmarried and living with her family at Castle Garden. When she was 20 years old she married Joseph Bragg in Jun-Sep 1884 at Workington².

Joseph (Joe) was born in Seaton near Workington about 1861. He was the eldest son of John and Hannah (formerly High) Bragg. John Bragg was a foreman flour miller from Boltongate near Aspatria, Cumberland, and Hannah from Gosforth, south of Whitehaven⁷. In 1881 Joseph Bragg, aged 19 years, was working at 4 Portland Square, Workington as an inn servant (boots)⁴. In 1891 Joe, Dinah and children Annie Eliza (b. Seaton 1885) and John (b. Seaton 1887) were living at 89 Griffin Street, Workington. Joe was a general labourer⁵. In 1901 they were living at 6 Ashton Street, Workington and Joe was a railway carter. Living with them were Annie, working as a domestic servant, and John, a telegraph messenger³. Other children with them born in Workington were Elizabeth (b. 1892), Robert Henry (b. 1897) and Christopher Turnbull (b. 1900)³. Another child, Mary Eleanor (b. 1890) died in 1891. There were probably several more children born after 1900.

Dinah and Joe later lived at Cleator Moor near Whitehaven¹. Dinah died at 25 Low Arlecdon near Whitehaven on 13 December 1921, aged 57 years, and was interred at Arlecdon Church on 16 December. Joe was still living at that time but died about 1951⁶.

In loving memory of Dinah Eleanor Bragg, beloved wife of Joseph Bragg who died at 25 Low Arlecdon on Tuesday, 13 December 1921, aged 57 years. To be interred at Arlecdon Church on Friday, 16 December leaving the residence at 2.30pm.

*'Good was her heart and in friendship sound
Patient in pain and loved by all around
Her pains are o'er, her griefs for ever done
A life of everlasting joy she's now begun'*

Memorium card with John Bingham 2003

¹ Notes from Mabel Bingham (nee Turnbull) via John Bingham. ² St Catherine's House index.

³ 1901 Census. ⁴ 1881 census. ⁵ 1891 census. ⁶ Tagg family tree ⁷ 1871 census.