William was originally with 12lh LH transferred to 6LH and landed at Anzac 4/9/15. A few days later, on the 9th, he was evacuated to England with Dysentery. He must have had a long period of illness as he joined ship to Australia some 8 months later. At the end of his dossier there are extracts dealing with his family history. One reads of his connection to Bathurst, with having with having his father, a very prominent citizen.

It could have been that William unsuccessfully ran for House of Reps the seat of Darling in 1914.

More Magistrates.

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has been pleased to appoint the undermentioned gentlemen to be magistrates for the colony, viz.: William Stranger Kelk, C.P.S., of Hillgrove,
Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name?
   KELK, William Stanger

2. In the Parish of _____________
   near the Town of Sydney
   in the County of Cumberland

3. Natural Born

4. Grandfather
   ever served in the Military
   Services

5. No.

6. Wife
   Marjorie Emily KELK

7. No.

8. 10

9. No.

10. No.

11. No.

12. Yes.

13. Yes.

14. Yes.

15. Yes.

Age: 18 years 10 months
Height: 5 feet 5 1/2 inches
Weight: 152 lbs.

Complexion: Fair
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Brown

Religious Denomination: 6 of 8
Service Number: 615
Rank: Private (Trooper)
Roll title: 12 LHR [Light Horse Regiment] (June 1915)
Date of embarkation: 13 June 1915
Ship embarked on: HMAT Suevic A29, at Sydney

Joseph Edmund Vance, a businessman and company director, moved into Sutherland House in 1897. Born in 1846, he was brought up at Kiama on the New South Wales south coast. His first job was with a storekeeper at Shellharbour, and from 1868 he was a partner in a produce agency in Sydney. He had married Jane Mitchell at Kiama in 1872, but she died in 1890. While he was living at Glebe Point in September 1896, his only child, 23-year-old Ida Gwendoline Vance, married William Stanger Kelk, the eldest son of William Coates Kelk, a Bathurst magistrate, draper and political identity. Ten months later, on 13 December 1897, Joseph Vance, then aged 52, married his son-in-law’s youngest sister, 19-year-old Emily Stanger Kelk, in the Bathurst Wesleyan Church.


MR. W. C. KELK.

Mr. William Coates Kelk, who died recently, was prominent in commercial and political circles in the Bathurst district for many years. He was born at Burgh-le-Marsh, Lincolnshire, England,
in 1839, and spent his early days in Manchester. With his brother (the late Mr. H. J. Kelk) and
sister (now Mrs. C. M. Foster) he arrived at Brisbane in August, 1866. After a few weeks in
the northern capital, however, Mr. Kelk came to Sydney, and joined the business of his
cousins, Messrs. G. and S. Greenwell, of Windsor, Hawkesbury River. There he met and mar-
ried Miss Mary Stanger, daughter of the late J. C. Stanger, who was the second Mayor of
Bathurst.

Mr. Kelk went to Bathurst, and established himself in business in 1872, and remained there
for upwards of 40 years. He was a staunch supporter of the late Sir Francis Suttor in his
election campaigns and held a seat as a delegate at the Federation convention at Bathurst.
Mr. Kelk was a foundation life member of the Bathurst School of Arts and for 23 years a
member of the Bathurst District Land Board. He was a zealous lay member of the Methodist
Church of Australia. Mr. Kelk was thrice married, his second wife being Elizabeth, daughter of
the late M. Saunders of Bathurst, and the third Katherine, daughter of the late Richard
Doughty, of Spilsby, Lincolnshire, England Surviving sons and daughters are -Messrs. W. S.
Kelk of the Crown Lands Department, J. R. Kelk (Wagga), M. J. Kelk (Sydney) Mrs. O. C.
Litchfield. (Cooma), Mrs., F. H. Shepherd (Narromine), Mrs. R. W. Webb (Tarana), and Mrs.
J. E. Vance (Roseville).

Died 1947. Randwick, Age 77