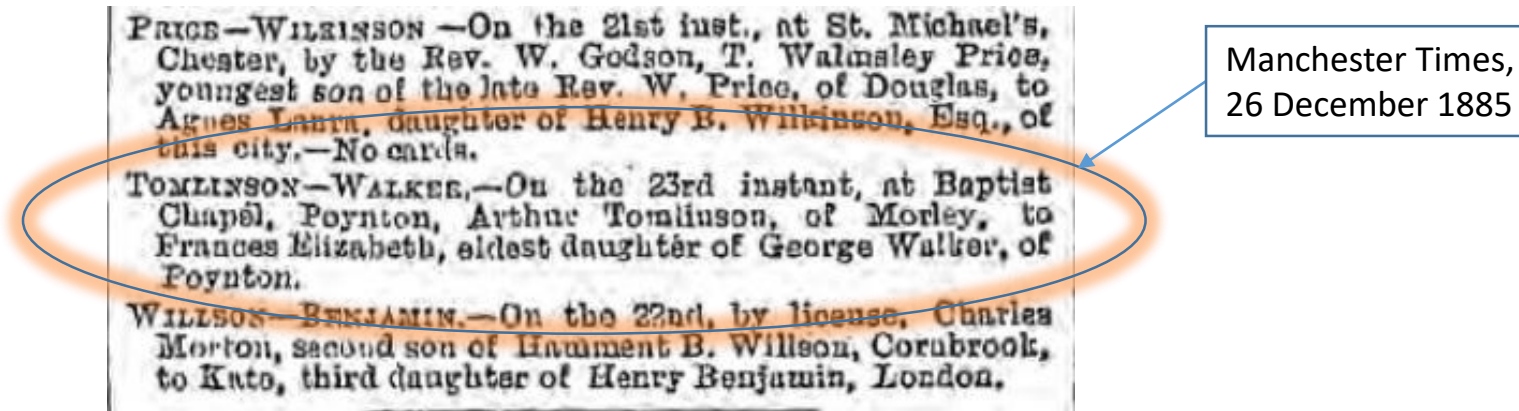


Poynton Baptist Church George Walker (1824-1903) First Honorary Pastor For the first 40 years

Family history research into George Walker and family. This interesting and factual account journeys through 185 years utilising a broad range of on-line historical documents and includes many aspects of Poynton's local history.

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This research all started by searching newspapers for “Baptist Chapel Poynton” and this was one of the results, that prompted a significant piece of family history, local history and PBC history research



George Walker was known to be the first Honorary Pastor of the Baptist Chapel in Poynton

Who was George Walker? What did he do for a living?

Where was he born? Who did he marry? Where did he live?

As well as Frances Elizabeth, how many other children were there?

What did the family do? What were the highs and lows?

What happened in the 1st world war?

George Walker was born in 1824 in Salford, Lancashire.

From the Census returns, we find that his father was **Richard Walker** (an Engraver), born in Radcliffe in 1791. His mother **Martha Linney** (Shopkeeper) was born in Prestwich in 1794. They were living in Sidney Street, Salford in 1841 and 1851.



George Walker

George Walker married **Sarah Barber** on 15th February 1858 at Manchester Cathedral & Parish Church. Sarah was born in Hulme, Manchester in 1832, and living in Moss Side, quite an upmarket area in the 1850s.

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No.	When Married.	Name and Surname.	Age.	Condition.	Rank or Profession.	Residence at the time of Marriage.	Father's Name and Surname.	Rank or Profession of Father.
173	February 15 th 1858	George Walker Sarah Barber	34 26	Bachelor Spinster	Agent	Dewsbury Co. York Moss side	Richard Walker John Matthew Barber	Engraver Merchant Clerk

Married in the above Church according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church, by Science or after _____ by me,

This Marriage was solemnized between us, { George Walker
Sarah Barber } in the Presence of us, { John Matthew Barber
James Walker } H. Westmore Chaplain

George was living in Dewsbury at the time of the wedding in 1858, possibly temporary due to his job as Railway Agent. Also, the witness James Walker was found to be his older brother.

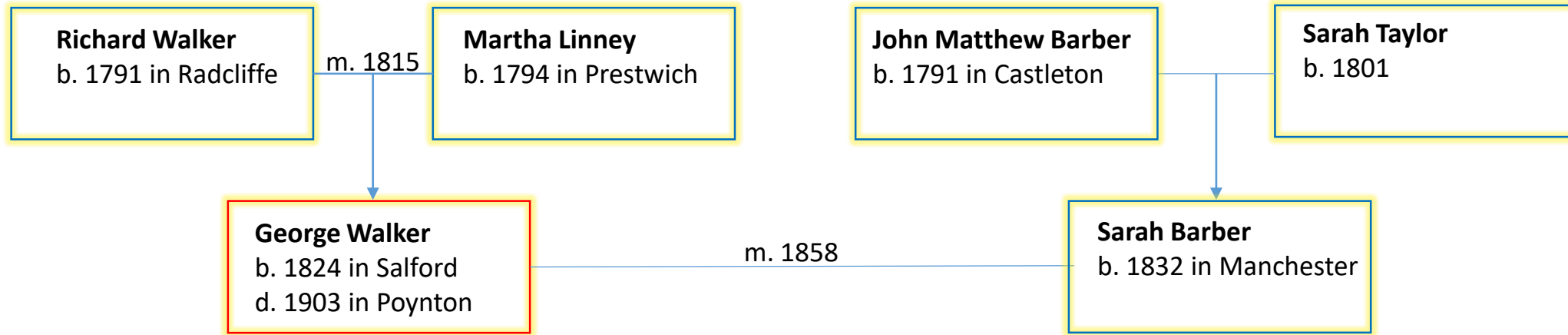
Sarah's father was called **John Mathew Barber** (1791 – 1869). He was born in Castleton, Derbyshire and was a School Master.

Sarah's mother was called **Sarah Taylor** (1801 – 1874). They married on 27th September 1823 in Manchester.

John Mathew Barber *Midway* of this Parish
cum locum of Manchester School Master
and *Sarah Taylor* of this Parish
cum locum of Manchester Minister
were married in this *Church* by *Wmms* with Consent of
this *twenty seventh* Day of
September in the Year One thousand eight hundred and *Twenty three*
By me *M Randall*
This Marriage was solemnized between us { *John Mathew Barber*
Sarah Taylor
In the Presence of { *Robt Clifton*
Edw Glynn }
No. *1792*

The Walker – Barber Tree

(meet the parents)



George Walker in the 1861 census was age 36 with the occupation of Railway Goods Agent, and had to work away at times. He was now married to **Sarah Walker** age 28 who was born in Manchester.

They also had a son **George Henry Walker** recorded in the census as age 1 and born in Dewsbury (in 1860). They initially briefly lived in Dewsbury at least between 1858 and 1860, however he was involved with the inception of the Poynton mission meetings in 1860.

In the 1861 census, the Walker family were found to be living in an area of Poynton vaguely described as ‘Midway’.

The 1861 Census names the current London Road South as ‘Macclesfield Road’ and there is a toll house named as ‘Macclesfield Road Turnpike’. Midway is half way between Macclesfield Parish Church and Stockport Parish.



John Potts, Saddle Room (recent photograph)

George Walker’s Deacon Minutes document that preaching missions were sent out from the Grove Lane Baptist Chapel (Cheadle Hulme) on Tuesday evenings. The first meetings were held at William Hooley’s house in Midway, Poynton. His neighbour, Joseph Smith, another Baptist Pioneer was involved. In May 1860 it was decided to rent the Saddle Room from John Potts, Saddler Master at the large white building centre of the terrace at Midway.

John Potts, Sadler & Saddler wife, home and workshop, Census Returns 1861

65	1 Midway	1	John Potts	Head	Mar	37	Saddler Master & man	Do	Do
			Margaret G. P.	Wife	Mar		do. wife & apprentice	Do	Do
								Do	Do

George Walker, quite near by, but no house numbers at this time.

69	3 Midway	1	George Walker	Head	Mar	28	Regularly & Agent	Lancashire	Salford
			Larah G.	Wife	Mar		do. wife	Do	Do
			Ann G.	Serv				Do	Do

A Sunday school was started, and Sunday evening services commenced around 1860. These were conducted entirely by lay friends, amongst whom we discover the name of **George Walker**. He was a resolute deacon of Cheadle Hulme Baptist Church and later became the leading figure in the establishment of the Baptist Church in Poynton.

The church officially started in rented accommodation on 28th September 1862. George Walker served as the first honorary pastor for the next 41 years. The Baptist Chapel, with a permanent building, officially opened several years later.

In 1862, **George & Sarah Walker**'s first daughter was born, named **Frances Elizabeth Walker** (1862 – 1932). We can now work out that she was age 23 approximately when she was married, as revealed in the newspaper advert of 1885.

At the time his daughter was born, **George Walker** was working at Macclesfield Station.
How is this known? See the next slide for the evidence.

George Walker's job with the London and North Western and North Staffordshire Railway Company had been going very well, and he was taking on a lot of responsibility. However, a particular incident with an ex-employee hit the headlines in many of the regional newspapers, even as far as Kent.

MURDEROUS THREATS

In the Congleton & Macclesfield Mercury dated 16th August 1862, and many other papers, there is an account of a railway employee being charged with sending a letter threatening murder to George Walker, goods agent to the London and North Western and North Staffordshire railways.

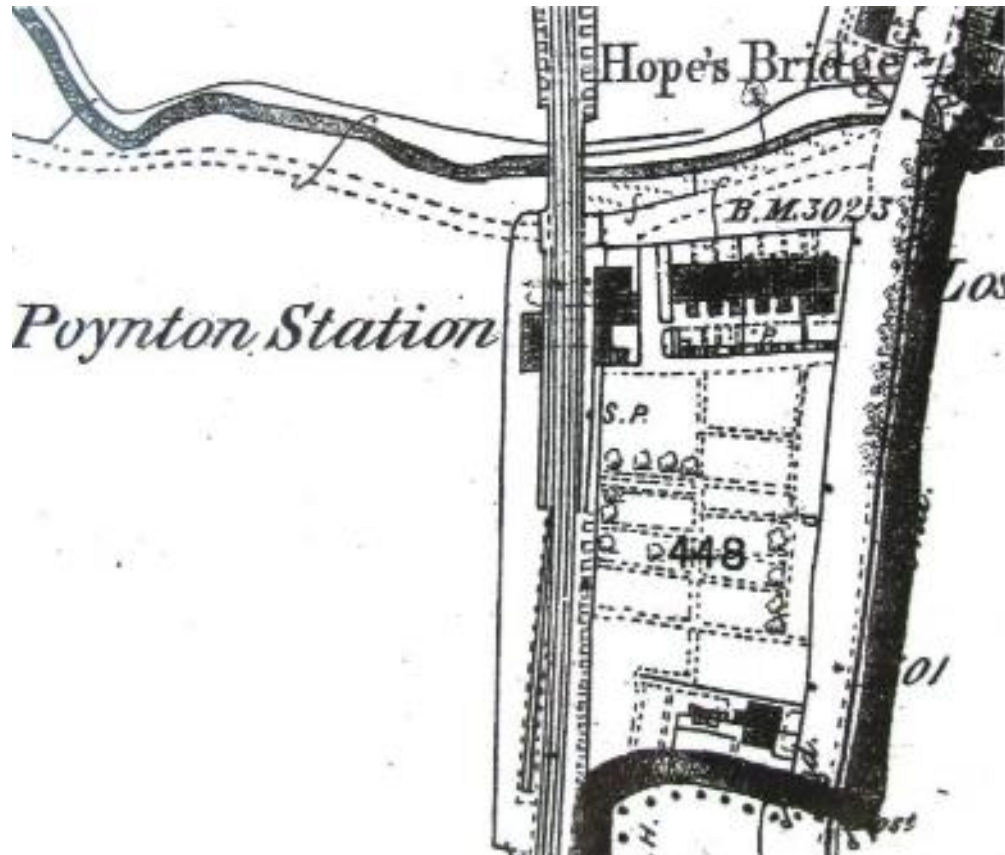
It appears that this was fuelled by drink.

This article reports that George Walker was working now at Macclesfield Station when this terrible distressing event occurred in 1862.

THREATENING TO MURDER.—At the Macclesfield Police Court, on Wednesday, Wm. Dixon, a railway employe, was charged with sending a threatening letter to Mr. George Walker, goods agent to the London and North Western and North Staffordshire Railways. Mr. Norris, solicitor, appeared on behalf of the accused. Mr. Walker said he had been in the service of the companies between seven and eight years. Had occasion to suspect him on the 20th July, and on that day he left. On the 31st witness received the following letter by post, written in the prisoner's handwriting:—"Manchester, July 30.—Geo. Walker.—I intend shooting thee. I shall certainly be thy end, if it takes twelve months. You—scamp, I'll ball you off when you little think of it. You discharged me the other day without cause, but it will be the cause of your death. I shall put an Ireland touch on you. If I can only say I have shot Geo. Walker, then I die content. You—villain." There was no signature to the letter, which was addressed to "Mr. George Walker, goods agent, railway station, Macclesfield;" and had been posted at the latter place. Another clerk in the company's service swore to the prisoner's handwriting. The defence was that the prisoner had given way to intemperate habits, and had probably written the letter when excited brought on by intoxication. He was committed to the Assizes for trial; bail refused.

At this period of time George Walker and family were living at 4 Lostock Terrace (now called Lostock Road), very close to the first Poynton Station at the far end, and now a house.

This station was open between the years 1845 – 1887.



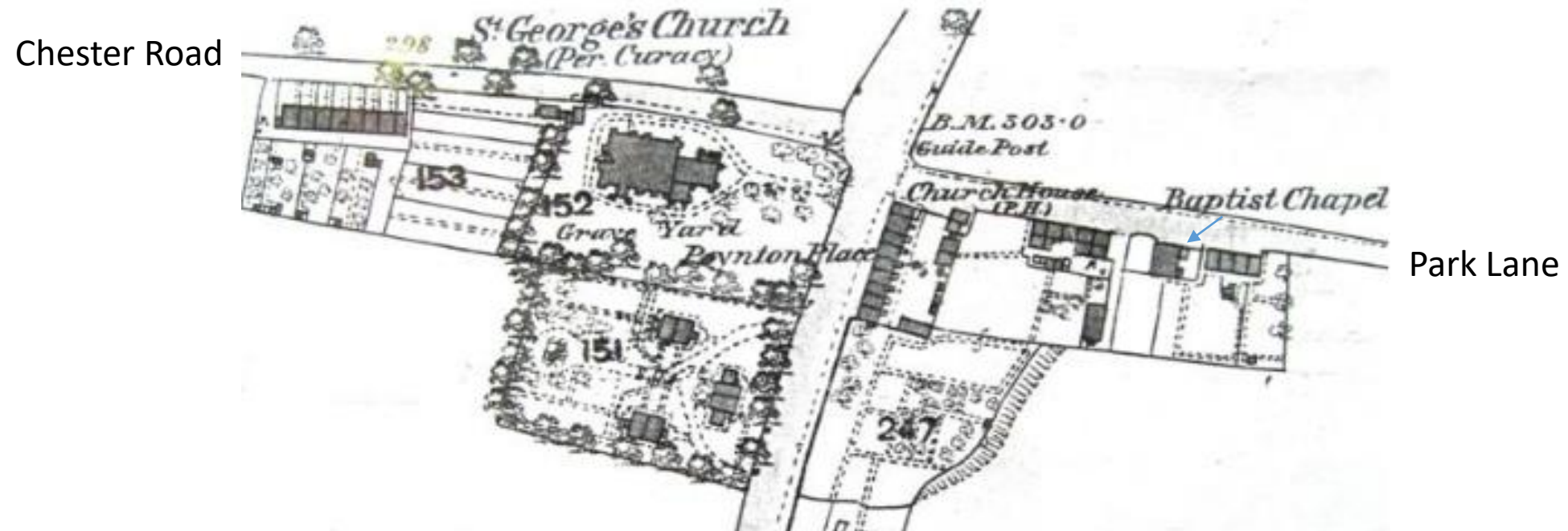
Walkers at No. 4 Lostock Terrace, Midway, Poynton



The old station building can be seen at the end of the road (on the right of the picture).

The later station on Chester Road did not open until 1887, which was actually the 3rd station built in Poynton.

In 1865 it became clear that in order to keep pace with the growing witness, alternative premises must be secured. None suitable could be found in the village. After mature consideration and prayer, it was decided to make a vigorous effort to secure funds for the purpose of building a new Chapel. After a period of time they eventually succeeded in procuring a piece of land in a central position in Park Lane on advantageous terms.



Four gentlemen - **George Walker**, Robert Alcorn, John Alcorn and Robert Atkinson on 25th May 1866, purchased from William Harrison, a yeoman, two hundred and six square yards of the twenty acre site. This is the land on which the original Chapel was built.

The new stone built chapel on Park Lane was opened officially on the 1st September 1867. This was the first permanent church building for Poynton Baptist Church. The visiting preacher at this important occasion for the official opening was Rev. G. McCullum, of Dewsbury, also from where George Walker's first son was born in 1860.



Poynton Baptist Chapel

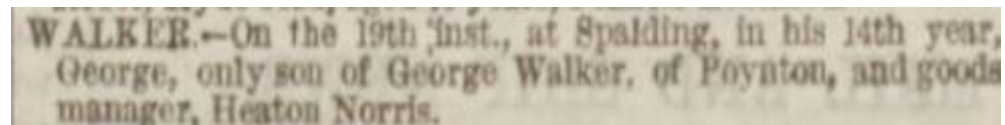
(In 1970 the chapel was completely re-built as a new church, then considerably expanded and altered in 1998, and later in 2007 the “Upper Room” next door was rented and connected into the first floor of the church building.)

As well as the new church building, there was another celebration for **George Walker** and family in 1867, their second daughter **Clara Annie Walker** (1867 – 1945) was born. We now see the Walker family with 3 children, a boy and 2 girls.

Moving on six years to 1873, this was not a good year for the **Walker** family.

Sadly, on **19 Feb 1873** tragedy struck, as seen in the Manchester Evening News.

“DEATHS: WALKER – On the 19th inst., at Spalding, in his 14th year, **George Henry Walker**, only son of **George Walker**, of Poynton, and goods manager, Heaton Norris”



The question as to why his son was in Spalding and how did he die at the age of 13, remains unanswered.

Spalding was on the railway system and George Walker travelled widely. Their son may have been in a residential school, or may be they were just travelling. There are no clues from the newspapers and nothing found in the church records.

This sad newspaper item describes **George Walker** (senior) as Goods Manager at Heaton Norris Station (Originally named as Stockport Station in 1840, but renamed in 1842 as Heaton Norris, and closed in 1959)

In 1873 – 1874 the **Walker** family moved from Lostock Terrace to a house named “Shrigley View”, at the corner of present day Clifford Road and London Road South.

Voters Lists: For occupiers of Ratable value of £12 or upwards, records were found:

1868 to 1873	Walker George	House & garden	Lostock Terrace
1874 to 1903	Walker George Poynton	House & garden	Shrigley View

This house was later renamed “Somerfields” after 1903, and the “Shrigley View” house name moved to another house, but more on this later. “Somerfields” was re-fronted in the 1920s and recently demolished to be replaced by 4 new homes.



Walkers, Shrigley View, Poynton
(Approx 1874 – 1903)

A year later in 1874, **Sarah Walker**’s mother age 73 was staying at their new home at Shrigley View, Poynton. **Sarah Barber** (widow of the late **John Matthew Barber**) died on 30th March 1874.

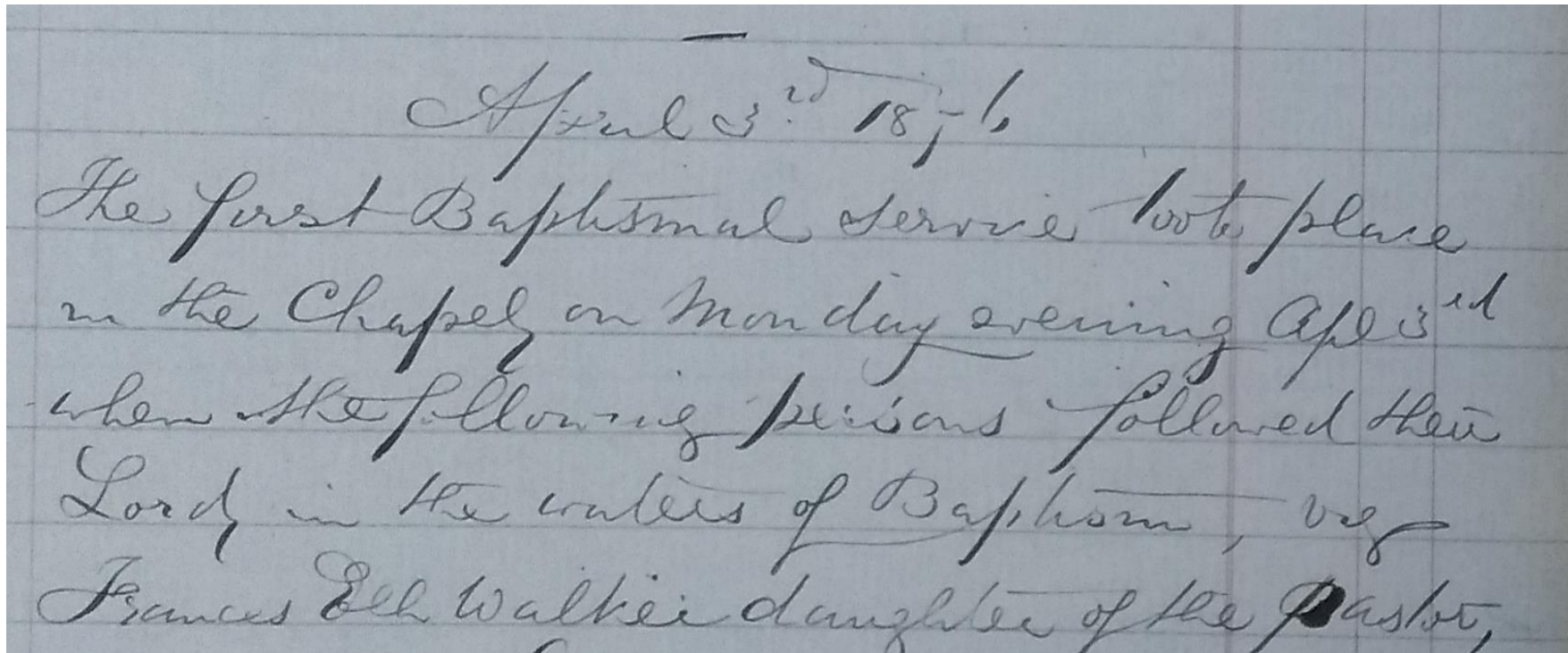
Sarah Barber’s death at Shrigley View, Poynton was reported in the Manchester Times.

BARBER.—On the 30th ult., at the residence of her son-in-law, Shrigley View, Poynton, in the 73rd year of her age, Sarah, relict of the late J. M. Barber, of this city.—Friends will please accept this intimation.

First ever Baptism Service at the new Baptist Chapel

In the original Deacons Minute Book, **George Walker** recorded that first Baptismal Service in the Chapel took place on Monday evening, 3rd April, 1876. Those baptised were **Frances Elizabeth Walker** daughter of the pastor, Mary Jane Evans, Leah Evans, Hannah Bradley, Martha Bennett, Emma Snapes, after giving evidence of their faith in Christ. This deeply memorable service brought forth the utterance, "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits."

All were received into full membership the following Sunday.



A photograph of a handwritten entry on lined paper. The text is written in cursive and matches the text in the first paragraph of the document. It records the first baptismal service on Monday evening, April 3rd, 1876, listing the names of those baptized and the daughter of the pastor.

April 3rd 1876
The first Baptismal service took place
in the Chapel on Monday evening April 3rd
when the following persons followed their
Lord in the waters of Baptism, viz
Frances Elh Walker daughter of the Pastor,

However also in the 1881 Census, George and Sarah's youngest daughter **Clara Walker** was away from home in Poynton. Where was she ?

Clara in residence at her Aunt's School

George and Sarah's youngest daughter **Clara Walker** was found in the census at Kersal Cell (Ladies School) which was in the Salford area. Kersal Cell is the second oldest building in Salford dating back to 1563.



Kersal Cell as a boarding school in the 1870-1880s



Listed private building in more recent times

The census shows **Clara** at age 14 was one of 17 named boarders, and the school was run by Principal **Mary Barber** who was the wife of **John Barber**, retired Shipping Clerk, and the brother of Clara's mother, **Sarah Walker**.

This may have been a kind family favour of educating **Clara Walker**. There were 3 other teachers, one for Music, one for English and one for French, in addition to **Mary Barber** who was also a teacher in addition to being the Principal. Clara would have certainly enhanced her musical skills for private tuition and also an area of church service later.

From this most excellent independent account of Kersal Cell (www.kersalflats.co.uk/history.html) based on an original article written by Charles Scott in 1870s, we can learn more about the school and Clara's Aunt - **Mary Barber**:

"It was originally on the site of an old monastery....."

*"...and is now used as a ladies' boarding school, under the direction of **Mrs Mary BARBER**. Kersal Cell is within four miles of Manchester Royal Exchange, yet its rural surroundings make the distance very deceptive. The boarders, however, have the advantage in their juvenility of the rural surroundings and as this ancient building is the centre of an area of six acres of garden and meadow land, with dairy farm, the produce of which is for the use of the school, the pupils have an additional advantage."*

*"Being surrounded with curiosities, **Mrs BARBER** seems to have acquired a taste for things that were current in the past....."*

*"It is some work in oil, the operations of **Mrs Barber**'s former pupils, who have painted on the oak floor of this room a border illustrating well known nursery rhymes, but although this work does credit to the pupils, and is worth inspection, some people may liken it to gilding gold....."*

*"**Mrs Barber**, we may add, has made a very creditable translation from the French of Geraldine, un incident de la Revolution Anglaise, petit drame en deux actes pour la jeunesse, which we have had much pleasure in reading....."*

Brief extracts above – see the full article

Moving forwards to the 1881 Census, **George Walker** was away from home in Poynton, and visiting his brother James Walker in Salford. He was here again described as a Railway Goods Agent.

In the Quarterly Tea Meeting for members 15th December 1885, it was announced that Miss Walker had resigned from leading the Sewing Class in consequence of her leaving the locality, and proposed that Miss **Clara Walker** be appointed by the meeting. Much thanks were expressed to **Frances Walker** for all her very efficient services and gave their warmest wishes for her future happiness. The reason for leaving can be seen in a newspaper entry, below.

MARRIAGE: TOMLINSON –WALKER On the 23rd instant, at Baptist Chapel, Poynton, **Arthur Tomlinson**, of Morley to **Frances Elizabeth**, eldest daughter of **George Walker**, of Poynton. (Manchester Times Newspaper 26th Dec 1885)

The Father of the Bride took the service, and was assisted by Rev. D G Davies of Rochdale. Witnesses: George Walker, Clara Walker, Elizabeth Barber and Annie Barber. (*G.W.'s notes*)

TOMLINSON-WALKER, —On the 23rd instant, at Baptist Chapel, Poynton, Arthur Tomlinson, of Morley, to Frances Elizabeth, eldest daughter of George Walker, of Poynton.

Arthur Tomlinson was born 1858 in Gildersome, near Morley in Yorkshire.

In the 1891 Census, the couple were found listed at 49 Parliament Road in Morecambe and Arthur named as the Lodging House Keeper. This is a more recent photo of this property →



The 1891 census also revealed they now had a young son **George William Tomlinson** aged 1, and he was not born in Morecambe, but in Thornbury, Bradford, Yorkshire. After their marriage they moved to Arthur's home area for a short while, before setting up a business in Morecambe. The 1891 Census entry for Morecambe:

155	49	2 ^o	1	Clancy	Arthur Tomlinson	Head	m	33	Lodginghousekeeper	Johns Gilsonome
					Frances E 2 ^o	Wife	m	29		Charles Poynton
					George W 2 ^o	Son				Johns Thornbury

From **George Walker**'s hand written church minutes, the whole church prayed for 'Brother' Tomlinson (**Arthur Tomlinson**) in his illness, and 'Sister' Tomlinson (**Frances Tomlinson**), on 16th September 1890.

Possibly the move to Morecambe with their young child, was to gain healing benefits from the fresh sea air.

Checking the death records for Lancaster district revealed that **Arthur Tomlinson** died in 1891 aged 34, which would have been just 6 years since their marriage. In the 1901 census, ten years later, Frances is still in the area, but moved just around the corner to 12 West Street in Morecambe, and she is listed as a widow, and running this second lodging house. During the next few years **Frances** returned back home to Poynton with her son.

More sadness: The next couple of years brought sadness for the two daughters. Searches of the Death Duty registers, revealed firstly that **Sarah Walker** died on 30th April 1902 and husband George Walker was her Executor.

Then in the next year, **George Walker** died on 30th November 1903 and Frances Elizabeth Tomlinson was the Executor.

WALKER George of "Shrigley-view" Poynton Cheshire died 30th November 1903 Probate London 23rd December to Frances Elizabeth Tomlinson widow and Clara Annie Walker spinster Effects £3007 4s. 6d.

The Deacon's Minute Book was where George Walker recorded 40 years of meetings, decisions and jubilations.

John Champion noted that his end came swiftly, from an attack of influenza, followed by pneumonia.

Some extracts describing **George Walker**'s character:-

"His varied and interesting personality, was full of noble and enduring qualities. His sturdy frame and somewhat rugged aspect, was indicative of the moral granite that lay within."

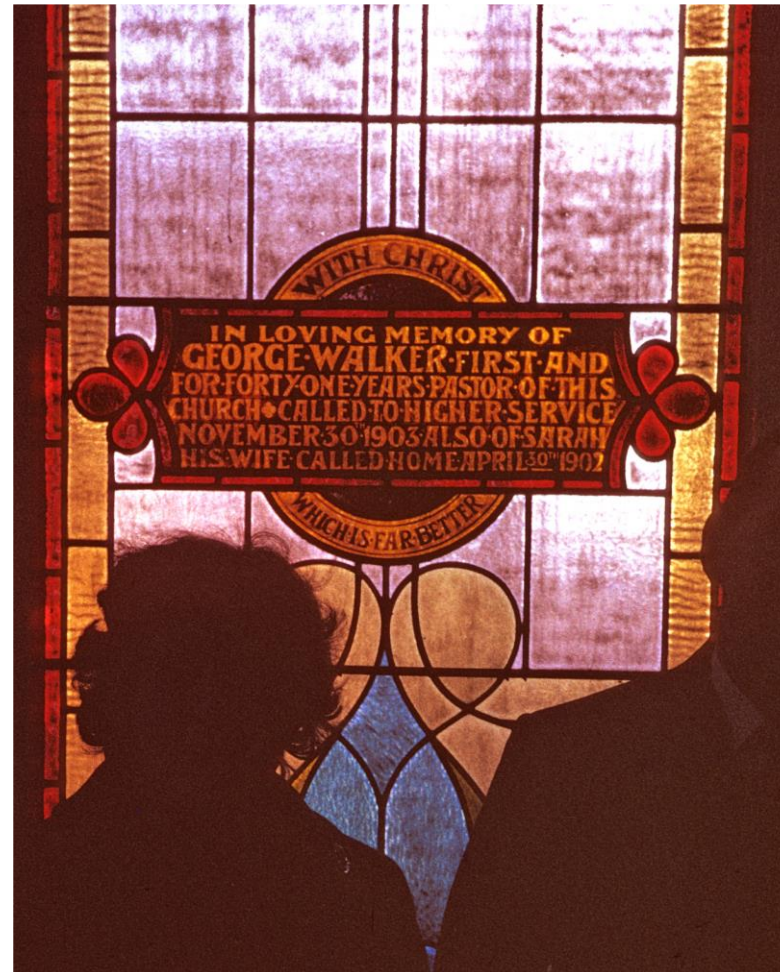
"He had a deep religious nature, he loved the house of prayer, and found in its service his great delight, sometimes the truth stirred him so greatly that he found it difficult to express himself on account of his deep emotion."

"Now that he is gone from Church and friends, may his memory long abide with all, his example be our inspiration, and the church he loved be our delight and care."

Recently a photograph has been discovered of a stained glass window from the old Baptist Chapel with the lovely inscription. It also serves to confirm these dates found from the Probate Registers. The whereabouts of this old window is not known, and was lost when the old chapel building was replaced. It was purchased by the 2 daughters.

Mr & Mrs Joe Birch are the two long serving church members stood in front of the window for this photograph.

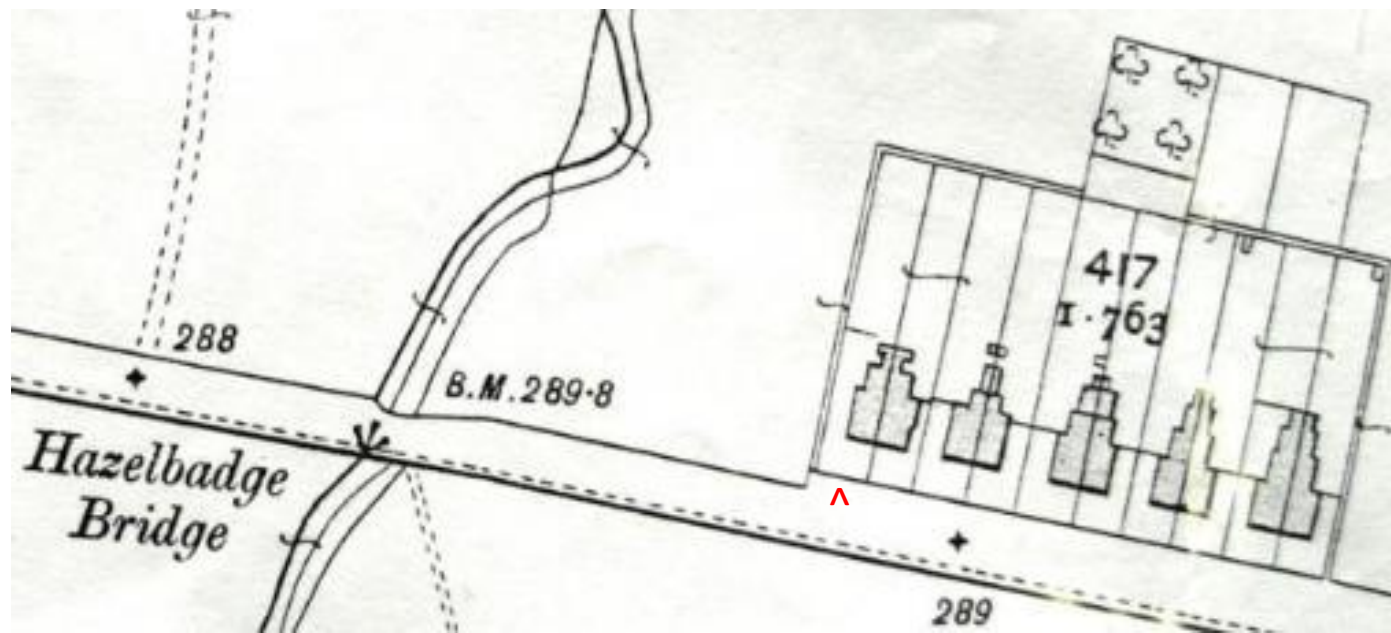
IN LOVING MEMORY OF GEORGE WALKER FIRST AND
FOR FORTY YEARS PASTOR OF THIS CHURCH. CALLED TO HIGHER SERVICE
NOVEMBER 30TH 1903. ALSO FOR SARAH HIS WIFE CALLED HOME APRIL 30TH 1902
With Christ which is far better



Window purchased by GW's 2 daughters

After the death of **George Walker**, the remaining members of the family are **Frances Tomlinson** (widow), **George Tomlinson** (her son), and **Clara Walker** (sister), and still very active within the Baptist Chapel. The family moved to a newly built Edwardian house at 64 Chester Road and reused the name “Shrigley View”.

Their previous house changed its name to Somerfield (demolished around 2015).



Shrigley View (number 64) was the first house nearest the brook

Clifford Road was a footpath



Shrigley View / 64 Chester Road
(Recent Photo)

In the 1911 census, **Frances Tomlinson** was 49 and a widow, living at Shrigley View, 64 Chester Road, with her son, **George William Tomlinson**, who was now age 21 and a Bank Clerk.

Clara Walker was not listed on this census return because she was visiting Elizabeth Barber (age 72) at 54 South Road, Didsbury, who was sister of her late mother.

1912.

The Knutsford Division of Cheshire.

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Poynton-with-Worth Polling District (District R.)—Parish of Poynton-with-Worth.

LODGERS.

No.	Name of each Elector at full length, the Surname being first.	Description of Rooms occupied, and whether Furnished or not.	Street, Lane, or other place, and number (if any) of House in which Lodgings are situate.	Amount of Rent paid.	Name and Address of Landlord or other Person to whom Rent is paid.
R 562	Beeley Arthur	bedroom, first floor, furnished	Yew Tree farm, Poynton	£1 per week	Hugh Beeley, Yew Tree farm, Poynton
R 563	Tomlinson George William	bedroom, first floor, furnished	Shrigley view, Chester road, Poynton	16s. per week	F. E. Tomlinson, Shrigley view

The next year 1912, **George William** is found on the Electoral register listed as a lodger paying 16 shillings per week to his mother.

The First World War is approaching. How will this affect the family?

The Great War years:

During the First World War, **Frances Tomlinson**'s and **Clara Walker** contributions were to the British Red Cross Society Volunteers spending 228 hours each, washing and repairing socks weekly for the patients at Barlow Fold Hospital in Poynton.

Barlow Fold is located to the west of London Road North, Poynton.



Clara also was a member of 'Poynton Helpers Union' Committee - A War charity - which worked and raised funds largely for B.R.C.S. & British Prisoners of War from Aug 1914 to April 1919. She was one of the District Collectors during these years.

At the age of 26, **George Tomlinson**, bank clerk, was enlisted into the Welsh Regiment in January 1916.

He was promoted to Sergeant and served until February 1919.

His war records state he was 5 foot 5¹/₂ inches tall.

At the age of 30, **George Tomlinson** married **Eleanor Amy Webb** as found in national marriage registers for 1920. Eleanor, also known as Ella, was born 23rd September 1892 and lived in Vine Street, Hazel Grove (in 1911). She was a clerk in a cardboard box manufacturer.

Her father Cyrus Webb was a Silk Hat Maker. Hat making was a local industry around Stockport.

His mother **Frances Tomlinson** and auntie **Clara Walker** were listed in the Electoral Register 1921 and 1928 at Shrigley View (64 Chester Road).

POLLING DISTRICT R.			PARISH OF POYNTON-WITH-WORTE
(1) No.	(2) Franchise. (a) Parlia- mentary. (b) Local Govt.	(3) Names in full. Surname first.	(4) Residence or Property occupied and abode of non-resident occupier.
113	O O	Tomlinson, Frances Elizabeth	CHESTER ROAD—cont. Shrigley View
114	O O	Walker, Clara Annie	Do.
115	R O	Griffies, Thomas	Station Cottages
116	H O H O	Griffies, Elizabeth	Do.
117	R —	Griffies, John Thomas	Do.
118	R O	Morgan, Thomas Henry	Do.
119	H O H O	Morgan, Phoebe	Do.

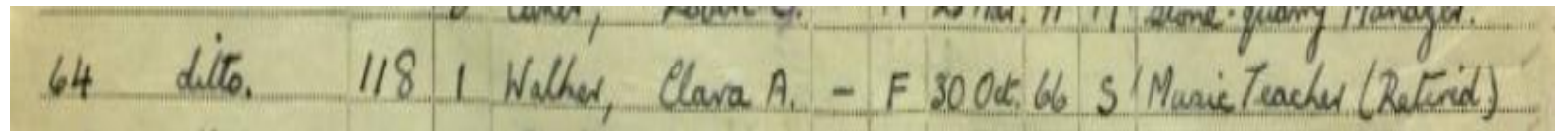
A note in the Baptist Times in 1973 reported that Mrs Mary Stones of Poynton Baptist Church served as an organist for 43 years, from the point of retirement of Miss Walker who also served for a long period as organist.

This confirms **Clara Walker** was the long serving organist up to 1930. Earlier Deacons minutes also confirm she led the music for many years, as well as serving in leadership as a Church Deacon for several years.

Frances Elizabeth Tomlinson (nee Walker) died in 1932.
Probate was granted to sister Clara and son George William.

TOMLINSON Frances Elizabeth of Shrigley View Chester-road Poynton **Cheshire** widow died 31 December 1931 Probate **Manchester** 7 May to Clara Annie Walker spinster and George William Tomlinson bank clerk. Effects £493 11s. 8d. Resworn £2309 15s. 8d.

Her sister **Clara Walker** was listed in the special 1939 National Register census and shows she was living alone in the same house, Shrigley View, 64 Chester Road.



She was still single, and described as a retired music teacher and born on 30th October 1866.

Clara Walker along with her sister were both generous with their weekly offering envelope, from the records. When her sister Frances passed away, her weekly contributions continued on for over 10 years, under the name "The Late Mrs Tomlinson" until at least 1943, which was the end of the record book. These kind contributions were identical to those made by Clara over the same period. This shows their love of the church.

We have not heard about George W Tomlinson and his new wife for a while. Where are they?

In 1939 special pre-war census, a complete search of the country locates **George Tomlinson** as an Assistant Bank Manager living in Baildon in West Yorkshire.

		Birth Date		Pre-war Occupation	Status
George W	Tomlinson	04 Jan 1890	Male	Assistant Bank Manager	Married
Ella (Eleanor Amy)	Tomlinson	23 Sep 1892	Female	Unpaid Domestic Duties	Married

They were living at 4 Enfield Road, Baildon, Shipley, Yorkshire in 1939.

This information confirms the name of George William's wife, previously found in marriage registers, and precise dates of birth. He has now been promoted with this relocation, and closer to where he was born 49 years earlier.

On the original 1939 Register, Ella is involved in the Womens Voluntary Service.

No children have been found from the records.



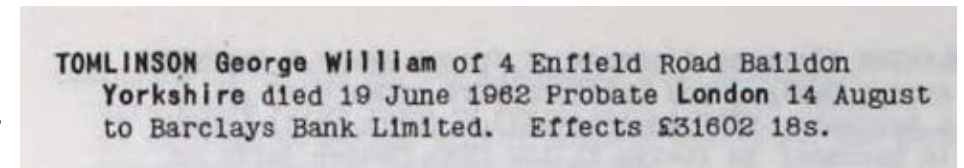
We are now approaching the end of this story.

George Walker's younger daughter, **Clara Annie Walker** died on 5th November 1945, as recorded in the Probate Record. Recently a plaque to Miss C A Walker has been found in the present church building, which sums up her magnificent contribution.

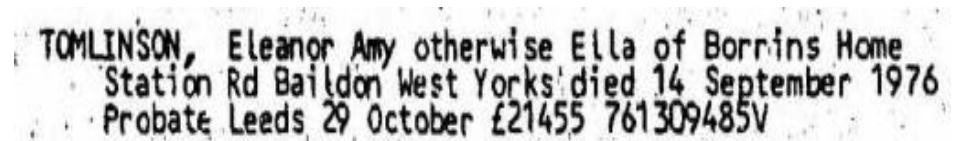
WALKER Clara Annie of Shrigley-view 64 Chester-road Poynton
Cheshire spinster died 5 November 1945 Probate Llandudno
22 February to George William Tomlinson bank official.
Effects £7056 3s. 2d.



George Walker's only Grandson, **George William Tomlinson** died on the 19th June 1962 and that appears to be the end of this incredible story of the family of George Walker, first minister of Poynton Baptist Church.

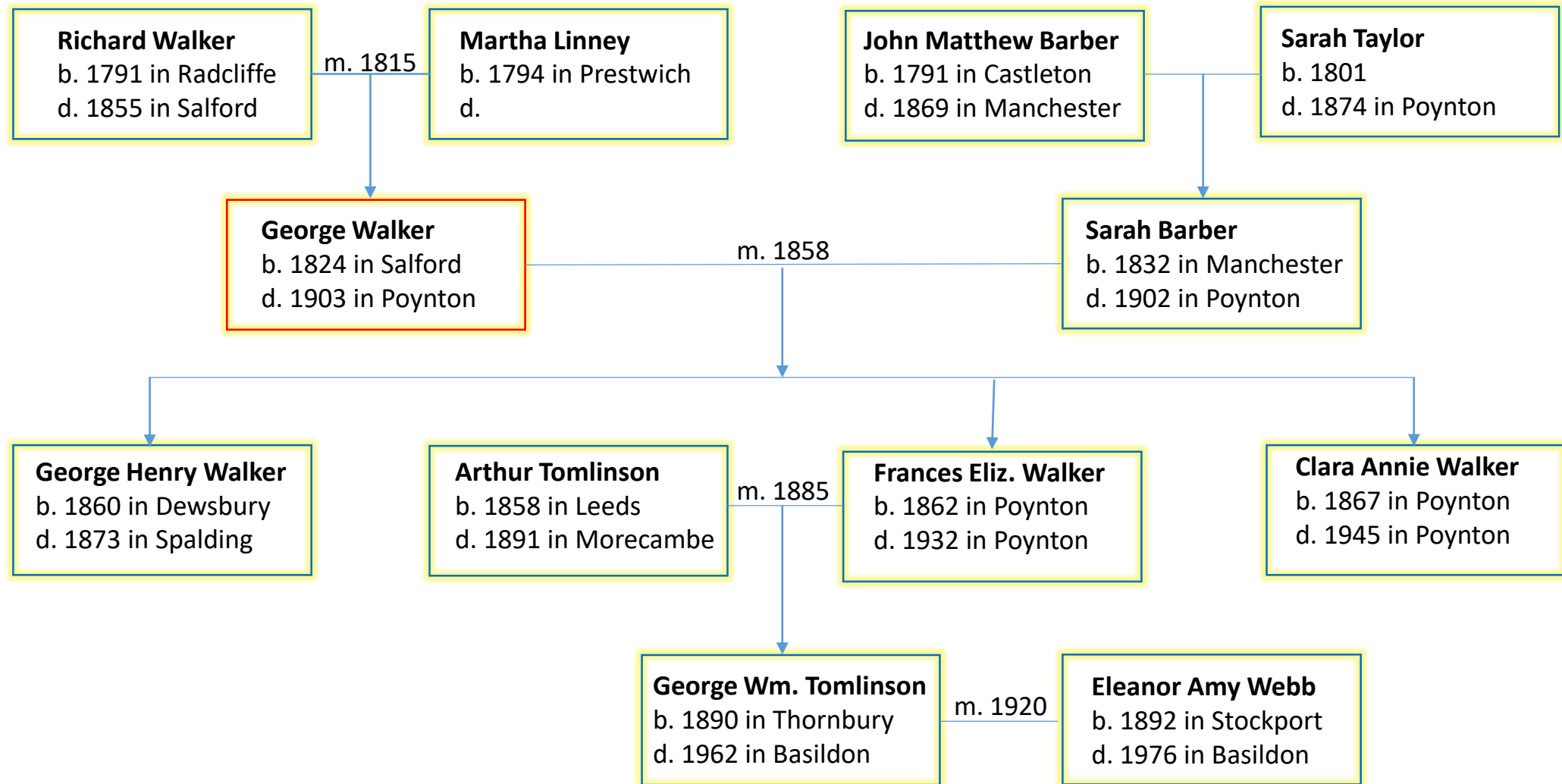


In 1976, **George Tomlinson**'s wife **Eleanor Amy** (known as Ella) and originally from Hazel Grove, died at Borrins Care Home in Baildon near Shipley.



Poynton Baptist Church has an amazing living history and countless incredible people, whether well known or behind the scenes, bringing about transformation in people's lives in the local community.

George Walker First Pastor of Poynton Baptist Extended Family Chart



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*“Now that he is gone from Church and friends, may his memory
long abide with all, his example be our inspiration, and the church
he loved be our delight and care.”*

A tribute paid to George Walker 1st Pastor between 1862 - 1903



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