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# Graythwaite including Gardens and Outbuildings, 10 Edward St, North Sydney, NSW, Australia

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List:	Register of the National Estate
Class:	Historic
Legal Status:	Registered (21/03/1978)
Place ID:	2909
Place File No:	1/13/027/0025

# Statement of Significance:

Thomas Walker, Deputy Assistant Commissary General, built Euroka on site c 1835. Edwin Sayers member for St Leonards in first New South Wales (NSW) Parliament rebuilt house. Sold to Sir George Dibbs c 1870 who converted house to present form and renamed it Graythwaite. Dibbs was Colonial treasurer 1883 and Premier 1885-89, 1891-94. Thomas Dibbs presented property to State Government in 1915, '...to be used in perpetually as a soldiers' house'.

(The Commission is in the process of developing and/or upgrading official statements for places listed prior to 1991. The above data was mainly provided by the nominator and has not yet been revised by the Commission.)

#### Official Values: Not Available

#### **Description:**

A large two storey sandstone villa in several sections having hipped iron roof with tall stuccoed chimneys. Main facade has two storey verandah with bullnosed iron roof, dentilated eaves and cast iron columns and brackets and two storey projecting bay. Later attic storey with dormer windows. French windows and front doors with transom and sidelights. Later brick outbuildings with slate roof. Magnificent with park type surrounding and extensive views of its city and harbour. Early outbuildings of special interest. The adjacent house Kialoa, once part of the property, is an essential element in the group and the local townscape, making a link between the main house and the surrounding terrace houses.

## History: Not Available

#### Condition and Integrity:

The main house is in good condition and the first floor verandah enclosure could be removed without trouble, as could a large hospital building adjacent. There is an entrance hall and staircase but most rooms have been redecorated unsympathetically. The house Kialoa appears to be structurally sound but suffering from neglect and lack of reasonable maintenance.

#### Location:

About 2.6ha, 20 Edward Street, and Union Street, North Sydney.

# **Bibliography: Not Available**

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