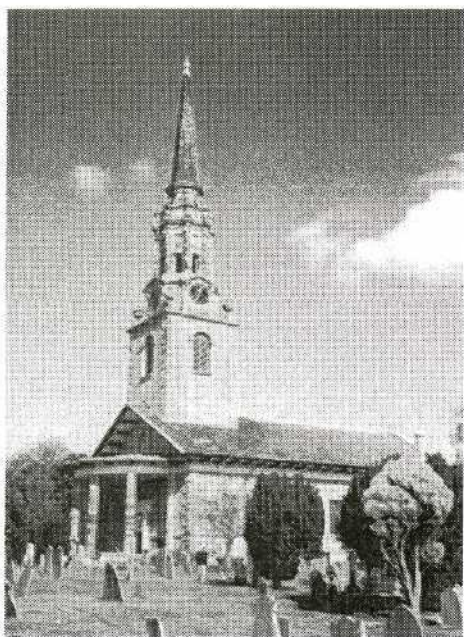


commanded various ships, including, *HMS Liffey*, *HMS Edinburgh* and *HMS Calcutta*. Commodore rank soon followed and he achieved the rank of Rear Admiral in command of *HMS Indus* before retiring from the service. In 1879 Lucas married Miss Frances Russell Hall the daughter of Admiral W.H. Hall, who had been captain of the *Hecla* in 1854. The couple settled at Great Culverden, Kent and had three daughters. Lucas served as a Justice of the Peace for the county of Kent for many years and died in 1914 at the age of eighty, a few days before the outbreak of World War I. He was buried in Mereworth (*Merryworth*) near Maidstone, Kent.

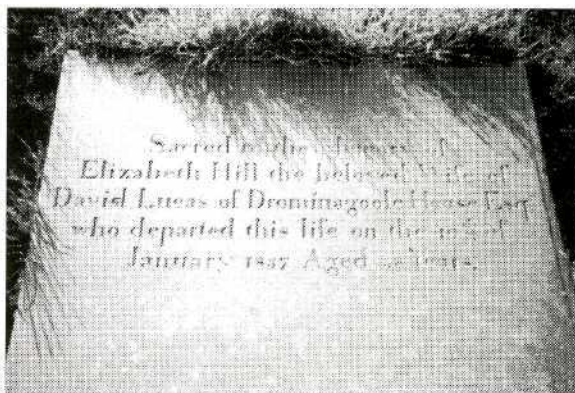


Lucas Grave

St. Lawrence's Church, Mereworth, Kent

His Victoria Cross is in the National Maritime Museum, London although some authorities claim that it is a replica. If this is so, the whereabouts of Lucas's original cross is unknown.

The Lucas family remained in Druminargal up till around 1880. They were very popular with the locals but were not regarded as being good farmers. Eventually arrears with their rent is said to have led to their removal from Druminargal. They were replaced by a Mr. Loftie and later by the Gracey family. One



Charles Davis Lucas's Mother's grave  
Acton Parish Church, Poyntzpass

interesting 'legend' regarding the Lucas family is that when they left Druminargal, the crows left too.

### Charles Davis Lucas Family Tree

Thomas Lucas of Saxham	m	Elizabeth Kemys
(died 1531)		
	I	
Henry Lucas	m	Mary Grene
	I	
Francis Lucas of Castleshane	m	Mary Poyntz
(died 1657)		
	I	
Francis Lucas	m	Mary _____
(1646- 1705)		
	I	
Edward Lucas	m	Elizabeth Smyth
	I	
Francis Lucas	m	Mary Savage
(died 1758)		(died 1772)
	I	
Edward Lucas	m	Elizabeth Davis
(died 1796)		
	I	
Davis Lucas (of Druminargal)	m	Elizabeth Hill
(1802-1886)		(died 1837)
	I	
<b>Charles Davis Lucas V.C.</b>	m	Frances Russell Hall
(1834- 1914)		

While many were aware of the fact that a winner of the Victoria Cross was born locally,