MOLLIE M. KAYE Author of "THE FAR PAVILIONS"

In an autobiography about M. M. Kaye, the writer mentions the fact that Mollie and her mother walked down Beach Avenue in Birchington to the boarding school that Mollie was attending at the time. Her parents were living in India at the time, so Mollie was sent to England for her education, as so many Colonial children were.

The school appears to have been in Spencer Road, which means that it was at Portpool School. The boarding house for the girls was on the corner of Spencer Road and Constable Road (now Spencer House), while the girls had their lessons in the School House, which is now 9 Shakespeare Road. This was known as "Gwynant" for many years and lived in by Miss Kathleen Phillips. It stands on the other end of Constable Road and at the time, the gardens of Portpool and the School House led into each other. There is now another property standing between these two buildings.