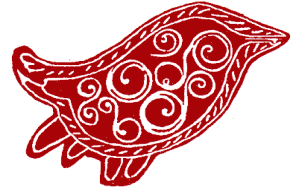


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Cork M.P.'s., 1559-1800.

BEING A BIOGRAPHICAL DICTIONARY OF THE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT FOR THE CITY, THE COUNTY, AND THE BOROUGH OF THE COUNTY OF CORK, FROM THE EARLIEST RETURNS TO THE UNION.

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Southwell, William.

M.P. Kinsale, 1703-13; Castlemartyr, 1713-14; Baltimore, 1715-19.

Third son of *Richard Southwell*, M.P., by Lady Elizabeth O'Brien, and grandson of Sir Thomas Southwell, first baronet, and said to be of the same family as the foregoing.

Was attainted by James II., 1689; an officer in King William's army; a colonel, 1708; was in the Spanish wars, and distinguished himself; captain of the Battleaxe Guards, 1714; LL.D. (*sp. gr.*), T.C.D., 1718.

On his first election he and his colleague, *Henry Hawley* (*q.v.*), released the corporation from all charges for his parliamentary services.

He married Lucy, daughter and co-heir of, William Bowen of Queen's County (she died 25th August, 1733). He died 23rd January, 1719, leaving issue, six sons and nine daughters. His elder brother, Sir Thomas, was ancestor of the present Viscount Southwell.

Stannard, Eaton, of Tubber, Dublin.

M.P. Midleton, 1727 till his decease in 1755.

Son of George Stannard of Ballyhealy, county Cork, and descended from Robert Stannard of Kilmallock, who married Martha, daughter of Sir *Robert Travers*, M.P. (*q.v.*)

Sch., T.C.D., 1704; B.A., 1706; barrister-at-law; recorder of Cork, 1728 (the voting on his appointment being—E. Stannard, 11; *Hugh Dixon* (*q.v.*), 7; Wm. Chartres, 2; John Crone, 1), but did not accept the office, he being recorder of Dublin, and Hugh Dixon was elected in his stead, and sworn in on 19th December, 1728. Stannard was counsel for the defendant in the celebrated Anglesea peerage case, 1743 (see *William Harward*, M.P.). He bore from the corporation of Cork to Dean Swift the box containing the patent of freedom of the city conferred on the dean, 1737. He was one of the executors of the dean's will.

He died 1755.

[**Stanton, Miles.** (Sir Miles, knt. *qy.*)

M.P. Cork County, 1380.

(See under *Pomfreide, John.*)]

Stawell, Anthony, of Kilbrittain.

Elected for Kinsale 1725, but unseated.

Son of Jonas Stawell of Madden, by his first wife, and elder stepbrother of *Jonas Stawell*, M.P. Kinsale, 1745-60 (*q.v.*).

He had the lands of Clohenasbeg and Carracroone under his grandfather Anthony's will. Being elected M.P. for Kinsale, he was unseated as "mis-elected," having obtained a majority by reason of votes of "pretended freemen," and Sir *Richard Meade* (*q.v.*) was returned in his stead.

Stawell, Jonas, of Kilkearns.

M.P. Kinsale, 1692.

Eldest son and heir of Anthony Stawell, who died 18th October, 1685, and of whose will, dated the previous day, *Richard Cox* (*q.v.*) was one of the executors.

He was a burgess of Kinsale 1676. He is described in the contemporary diary of a navy chaplain as one of the "two only fit men for Christian conversation in the town, besides the rector, honest parson Tomms." The diarist describes Kinsale (1691) as "a large filthy hole, that contains nothing good in it," and (he says) he "was glad to leave so vile a place."

Jonas Stawell was elected sovereign of Kinsale 1691, and M.P. 22nd September, 1692, when he and his colleague, *Edward Southwell* (*q.v.*), "did release the corporation from all charges which they may claim by reason of their said services in Parliament."

Stawell, Jonas, of Kinsale.

M.P. Kinsale, 1745-60.

Only son of Jonas Stawell of Madden, by Catherine Honner, his second wife, and half-brother of *Anthony Stawell*, M.P. (*q.v.*)

He married, about 1730, Meliana, only child of John Allen, alderman of Cork, and was father of Sampson Stawell of Kilbrittain. His male line is extinct; the heiress of line married William St. Leger Alcock, who took the name of Stawell, and is now of Kilbrittain.

Sudley, Lord (Arthur Gore), afterwards Earl of Arran.

M.P. Baltimore, 1783-90.

Eldest son of Arthur, second Earl of Arran, by his first wife, Catherine, daughter of Viscount Glerawly, and brother of Lady Catherine Gore, who in 1766 married Sir *John Evans Freke*, M.P. (*q.v.*)

He was born 20th July, 1761; married, 29th December, 1787, Mary, eldest daughter and co-heir of Sir John Tyrrell of county Essex.

He was returned in 1783 as M.P. for Donegal borough also, but sat for Baltimore.

Tonson, Richard, of Dunkettle.

M.P. Baltimore, 1727-60; 1761-68; 1769 till his decease in 1773.

Eldest son of Henry Tonson, by Elizabeth, daughter of Sir *Richard Hull*, M.P. (*q.v.*)

He was born 6th January, 1695; devisee, 1718, of the estates of a Major Butler, who was no relative, but left them to Tonson "because he (Butler) had known and served with his grandfather in the civil wars of 1642"; freeman of Kinsale, 1719; sat uninterruptedly for the borough for forty-six years. Was founder of Tonson's bank, which was established in Paul Street, Cork, 12th May, 1768 (*see my "Private Bankers of Cork and the South of Ireland," Journal, vol. ii., 1st series, p. 9.*)

He married, first, Elizabeth, daughter of *Henry Tynle*, M.P. (*q.v.*), and had an only daughter, who died unmarried; he married secondly, Peniel, daughter of Colonel Gates, and widow of *Michael Becher*, M.P. (*q.v.*), of Affadown, by whom he had no issue.

He died 24th June, 1773, devising his large estates to his natural son, Colonel William Hull, afterwards Tonson (*see next name*).

Tonson, William (formerly William Hull, and afterwards Lord Riversdale.)

M.P. Rathcormick, 1776-83.

Said, in *Gentleman's Magazine*, 1787, to have been an illegitimate son of *Richard Tonson*, of Spanish Island, Cork, M.P. (*q.v.*), whose estates he inherited, and whose name he took, and in whose kitchen he was employed as a menial in his youth. He, after "abject importunity," obtained a peerage, being created Baron Riversdale in 1783. He was born 1724, and died 4th December, 1787.

He married, 1773 (after inheriting Richard Tonson's estates), Rose, eldest daughter of *James Bernard* of Castle Bernard, M.P. (*q.v.*), and had issue seven sons, but nevertheless the title became extinct in 1861 on the death of the third lord (Ludlow, Bishop of Killaloe), who was seventh son of the grantee.

He was lieutenant-governor of the county Cork, and a military officer; was a partner also in Tonson's bank; M.P. also for Tuam as William Hull, 1769-73, and as William Tonson (which name he took by royal licence 1773), 1773-76.

Townsend, Bryan, of Castle Townsend.

M.P. Clonakilty, 1695-99.

Second son of *Richard Townsend*, M.P. (*q.v.*).

Was a cornet of horse under Lord Orrery; afterwards went into the navy and became commander of the "Swiftsure."

He married, 1680, Mary, daughter of Dr. Synge, bishop of Cork, and had issue, nine sons and four daughters.

Townsend, John.

Elected for Castlemartyr and Doneraile, and sat for the latter 1797-1800.

Second son of Richard Townsend, of Castle Townsend, and grandson of the foregoing. Resided at Shepperton, near Sibbreen, and his town house was in Grafton Street. Appointed a commissioner of the revenue, February, 1800, and re-elected.

He married, 1769, Mary, daughter of Jonas Morris, of Barley Hill, and had issue.

He died 4th August, 1810. He was grandfather of the late Judge Townsend (or Townshend, as he chose to spell the name) of the Admiralty Court.

Townsend, Richard, or Castle Townsend.

M.P. Baltimore, 1661.

The patriarch of the Cork Townsends; supposed to be of English origin; an officer in the Irish Army under Lord Inchiquin; was at the battle of Knockanass, near Mallow, 1647; made prisoner for offering to join the Parliament side in 1649, and on his release sailed for New Ross to meet Cromwell, and meeting him at Dungarvan handed to him the keys of Cork; a purchaser and grantee of forfeited lands, including Castle Townsend; commanded the Carbery militia, 1666; high sheriff Cork county, 1671. He died July, 1692, leaving issue. (See *Bryan Townsend*.)

Townsend, Richard, of Castle Townsend.

M.P. Cork County, 1759-60; 1761-68; 1768-76; 1776-83.

Eldest son of Richard Townsend, of Castle Townsend, by Elizabeth, daughter of *Henry Becher*, M.P. (*q.v.*), and brother of *John Townsend* (*q.v.*)

High sheriff county Cork, 1753; colonel of county Cork militia.

He married, 1752, Elizabeth, daughter and heir of John Fitzgerald, of Castlemore, county Kerry (afterwards Knight of Kerry), and granddaughter of *Joseph Deane*, M.P. (*q.v.*), and had issue, an only son, Richard Boyle Townsend, M.P. for Dingle.

Travers, James,

M.P. Baltimore, 1634.

Travers, Sir Robert, knt.

M.P. Clonakilty, 1634; 1639.

Registrar of the Diocese of Cork, 1628. Killed at the battle of Knockanass, near Mallow, 1647.

He married Elizabeth, daughter of Richard Boyle, bishop of Cork, and had issue a son, Richard, and a daughter, Martha, who married, first, Captain Robert Stannard (ancestor of *Eaton Stannard*, M.P. (*q.v.*), and secondly, Sir Richard Aldworth.

Tynte, Sir Henry, of Roxhall (*i.e.* Wraxall), Somersetshire.

M.P. County Cork, 1661.

Son of Sir Robert Tynte, of Ballycrenane (who is buried in Kilcredan Church, M.I.), by a daughter of Sir *Edward Harris*, M.P. (*q.v.*), and grandson of Edward Tynte, of Wraxall; was knighted 30th December, 1660, being then of "Ballycrevan."

He fled to England in the troubles of 1688, his estate being then valued at £500 a year.

He married Mabella, daughter of Sir Piercy Smith, of Ballynatray, and had issue, of whom Catherine married *Lawrence Clayton*, M.P. (*q.v.*)

Tynte, James, of Old Bawn, Dublin, and Dunlavin, county Wicklow.

M.P. Rathcormick, 1715-27; Youghal, 1727, till his decease in 1758.

Son of William Worth, baron of the Exchequer (I.), by Mabel, fourth daughter of Sir *Henry Tynte*, M.P. (*q.v.*), and assumed the name of Tynte on inheriting the estate of that family. High sheriff county Cork, 1711; a privy councillor; M.P. also for Carysfort, 1727. Died, 1758, having married Hester Bulkeley, descended from Archbishop Bulkeley, to whose property she became heiress on the death *s.p.m.* of Sir Richard Bulkeley. Tynte bequeathed his estates to Robert Tynte, barrister-at-law.

Tyrry, David, of Cork.

M.P. Cork City, 1613.

Son of Alderman Stephen Tyrry, of Cork.

Was an alderman; mayor of Cork, 1608, 1614; common speaker, 1624; fined £50 in 1606 by the Lord Justices for refusing to attend Divine Service in the Reformed churches. It was ordered by the Corporation, 11th March, 1613, that he shall "have, as Burgess, per diem so much allowance as Mr. James Gallway, Burgess of Limericke, hath from that Corporation, and that to be deducted from the £50 now to be given him towards these occasions." It was further ordered (27th September, 1615) that he be paid at the rate of ten shillings per day for his expenses, but this order was afterwards cancelled. He had a son, David.

(A David Tyrry who was Mayor 1627-8 was not the M.P.)

Tyrry, Edmond, of Cork.

M.P. Cork City, 1613.

Son of Edmond Tyrry of Cork. Was an alderman; mayor of the city, 1604; he (or his father) was proclaimed a "rebel" in 1602; was deputy mayor 1612, during Skiddy's absence in Dublin; deputy recorder for John Meade.

Uniacke, James.

M.P. Youghal, 1776-83; 1783-90; 1790-97.

Son and heir of Richard Uniacke, of Mount Uniacke, by Anne, daughter of *Robert Longfield*, of Castle Mary, M.P. (*q.v.*)

Was mayor of Youghal, 1755, and again 1757; high sheriff, county Cork, 1776.

He married, first, 1761, Lady Caroline Coote, daughter of the last Earl of Bellamont (she *d.s.p.*); secondly, Mary Higgins, by whom he had one son. Ancestor of Mount Uniacke family.

(*To be continued.*)