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The Waters Family of Cork.

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(*Continued*)

HAVING traced the elder line to the present day, we must return to the younger sons of John (FitzStephen) Waters, who died in 1599.

ADRIAN, his sixth son, is described as of Gulleballyspillane (Cowilballyspillane in the list of places burned by Tyrone and the Sugan Earl of Desmonde in 1599).[1] He was Bayliff (Sheriff) of Cork in 1591,[2] and in the year of his father's death became a trustee in a Deed of Settlement of David, Viscount Buttevant.[3] In 1608 we find him signing a Petition of the Citizens of Cork (on the incorporation of the city as the County of the City of Cork) asking that the sheriff of the County of Cork forbear impanneling said freeholders at assizes or sessions in the County by reason of their lands within the County of the City, but that they be left to attend the sessions of the said County of the City.[4] As Adrean Walter, gent., his name appears in the capacity of juror in two enquiries relating to civic affairs, 30th August, 1609.[5] He married "old" Sir John Meade's sister (his eldest brother, Christopher, had married Helen another sister) and had issue—

1. George, his heir.
2. Robert, who was one of the '49 Officers, and had a son, Christopher.
3. Stephen, who was admitted a freeman of the city of Cork on the 11th of September, 1615, "In consideration of 26*s*. whereof the Chamberlain to be charged with 15*s*., the residue released in consequence of his great losses in the country by reason of burning"[6]—a charming touch of paternal tenderness, unknown, alas! to modern times.
4. Michael, who was made free of the city, 10 Nov., 1613.[7] His name appears amongst the jurors, appointed 20 April, 1630, to decide in the matter of certain houses alleged to have been built on the common way by Richard Kent.[8] Michael was one of the Overseers of the Will, dated 1633, of Richard Waters, of Macrony Castle, who calls him his "gossip" (godson),[9] and he was also a '49 Officer, appearing in the lists as "FitzAdriel Michael Waters."[10] His wife was a daughter of Henry Gould, of Cork. His Will, dated 1649 (proved 1688) expresses his desire to be buried in St. Peter's Church, Cork, "In my own arch or tomb." It mentions his brother-in-law,

[1] Smith's *History of Cork*, ed. 1893, p. 4.
[2] Caulfield, *Council Book of Cork*, p. 1172.
[3] Vide *Cork H. & A. Jl.*, Vol. VI., p. 142.
[4] Caulfield, *Council Book of Cork*, p. 2.
[5] Ibid, p. 9.
[6] Ibid, p. 58.
[7] Ibid, p. 43.
[8] Ibid, p. 149.
[9] Will of Richard Waters of Macrony above.
[10] O'Hart "*Landed Gentry when Cromwell came to Ireland*, p. 385.

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Richard Gould, his cousins, William Walters (first cousin once removed) and Stephen Roche (fz Patrick), his sister, Nicholas, his brother, George, his sons, Michael and Christopher, neither of whose issue, if any, is known, and his daughter, Mary.

5. Adrian Waters had a fifth son, John, who became a freeman of Cork, 11 July, 1628, on payment of 20/–[11] One, if not both, of the following may refer to this John.—Whitehall, Ap. 24, 1615.—Mr. John Walter with Sir H. Yelverton, quoted by Lord Lenox on questions of subsidy and alnage of textiles as authors of Memo., May 5. 1625.[12]—Letter of John Walter to Sir James Fullerton, being a certificate of the Lord Baron and others to Sir J. F.[13] He was a '49 Officer.[14]

Adrian had one daughter, Nicholas, who married "the great William Hore, of Duglish" (Douglas), and had issue, Counsellor William Hore, Matthew Hore and Helen Hore, wife of William Walters, of Kilpader, who occupies a place in the main line of the family.

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Certified Copy of a Record entitled
WILL OF MICHAEL WALTERS (FITZ ADRIAN) 1668
(Diocese of Cork & Ross)

In the name of God Amen the last day of March Anno Dni' 1649 I Michaell Walters fitz Adrian of the Cittie of Corck Gentleman being in good health of Bodie and of perfect sense & memorie (God be praysed) doe make constitute and declare this as my last Will and testament in manner & fourme following ffirst I bequeath my soule to God Almighty who created and Redeemed the same, hoping assuredly by the meritts of his bitter death and Passion and by the Intercession of his most blessed mother, Sainct Michaell the Archangell, holy Dominicke, Sainct Augustine and all the other holie Saincts of Heaven to be partaker of everlasting glorie, and my body to the earth whereof it was created and to be buried at Sainct Peeter's Church in Corcke aforesaid myne owne Arch or tombe (wch. I have purchased of my brother-in-lawe, Richard Gould fitz Henry) Item I leave my eldest sonn Michaell Walter as[15] my lawfull sonn & heire Item I leave and bequeath unto him & to the lawfull heires of his body lawfully to be begotten my dwelling house in Corck with all the appurtenances and Apendances thereunto belonging togeither with my house and Gardeyne wthout[16] the north gate in the north[17] suburbes in the Parish of Shandon & in the tenancie of Luietena [ ][18] Phillip Mathies & my part of another house & garden in the suburbes aforesaid in the now tenancie of the said Phillip Item I leave & bequeath unto my said sonn Michaell my gould chaine and one gold Jewell made in fourme of a hart as a dependaint of the said Chaine Item—I leave and bequeath unto my said sonn Mich. Walters my double gilt Jug, my double gilt salt sellar & my double gilt goblet & all those I leave as principal & heire loomes togeither with my best gould signett & siluer seale Item—my will is that my said sonn Michaell shall pay unto my second son Christopher Walter the sume of twenty pounds sterling for his better ad[ ]nt to a stock and my said gould chaine to be sequestred upon my couzen Willm Walters his hands until the said tw[ ]ty pounds shalbe paid to my said son Christopher. Item—my will is & soe I leave and bequeath unto my sonn Christopher & my daughter Mary the Rent to grow due out of my house & gardine in the north suburbes aforesaid, being 3*Li* ster p. annum for the space of two & twenty yeares after my death unto the said Christopher & Marie to be equally diuided betweene them yearely towards their better maintenance Item—I leave to my daughter Mary Chiefe Rent growing out of my house and gardein (sett to farme to John Mathewe, Glouer) untill she sha[19] be married.

[11] Caulfield, *Council Book of Cork*, p. 139. The entry is "John Walters fz *Andrew*," an error for Adrian.
[12] Carte Papers, V. 62, N. 242.
[13] State Papers England.
[14] O'Hart, op. cit. p. 409.
[15] Intd. [16] Sic.
[17] Intd. [18] Sic. [19] Sic.

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Item—I l[ ]ue and be [ ] to my daughter Mary all my estate interrest in the house of my fosterrer Willm Hiallaghy Cooper towards her better preferment shee paying the Chiefe Rent due thereout being twenty shills ster yearely. Item—I leaue & bequeath my siluer chaine & all my siluer buttons & beades unto my daughter Marie & doe leaue her in charge to my sister Nicholas her care togeither with all those bequests wch I leave to my said daughter to be deliuered to [20] the [21] hands of [22] my hands [23] sister for the use of my said daughter Mary. Item—I leaue & bequeath to my sister Nicolas a smale gould crucifix in the custody of my Gossip Willm' Creaghe Item—I leaue to father John Tyrry one ould Angell of Gould for the use of the convent Item—I leaue another ould Angell to my brother George Walters. Item—I appoint my sonn Christopher & my daughter Mary the executors of this my last will & testam't & doe leaue my brother George my couzen Willm' Walters my couzen Stephen Roch fitz Pa & my Gossip Willm' Creagh or any two or three of them as ouer seers & tutors of my Childr' & doe praie them to pay all the debt due uppon me. In wittnesse of all the premisses I have to this [24] my last will & testament signed my hand & seale the day & yeare aforesaid in presence of the wittnesses Ensueing

Deo gratias Mich. Walters
(seal)

Richardus Creaghe
Parochus Eid'
fr. Joannes Thyrrye
Par. Corcagiensis
fr. John Riegane Suppor.

Probatu' fuit hoi test 22° die Octobris coram [ ] tore Packington substitut' &c Juramto. Xpori Walters filii d'ci def' et uni execut' in d'co testiamto no'i'at &c cui &c. de bene &c. Jurat &c reservat' p'tate alter' execut' &c.

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p. Intrio Nativitatis Xripx

[In dorso two lines in Irish of which the following is a translation by the late Very Revd. Canon O'Leary, P.P., Castle Lyons.]

Mo ċumne ⁊ muar deóṁc ꝓcꝓoḃaiḋ lem laṁaḃꝓein molaḋ móꝓ do ḋꝓí Comarach ṫꝓío ꝓꝓ do cꝓioċaudaiꝝ liom,

"My last will and testament written with my own hand. Great praise to All-powerful God because that has been accomplished by me."

In dorso Will of Michaell Walters fitz Adrian 1668.

GEORGE, eldest son of Adrian, was apparently engaged from youth in the civic life of Cork until dispossessed by those acting with the English rebels. We find him admitted a freeman 27th Aug, 1616, the fee being 15/-[25] while it cost him £20 for admission as councillor 23rd July, 1628.[26] The following give some idea of his activities :—

11 Mar., 1630.—Whereas David Tirry fz Edmond, Ald., our Agent in England, hath lately charged Morrish Roche, Esq., now Mayor, with a bill of exchange of £70, &c., which money was borrowed by the Mayor of George Walters fz Adrian, merchant, lessee of the prize wines. In consideration whereof it was agreed by the Mayor, &c., that said George be allowed all the prize wines he hath heretofore received since the date of his grant, & interest, &c.[27]

12 Nov., 1632.—Received from James Morrough, Ald., the two bonds wherein Sr. James Barrett, Knt., Domk. Tirry, Ald., and George Walters are bound for 95*li.* for the payment of 47*li* 4*s.* 6*d.*, the other bond for like

[20] Sic. [21] Intd.
[22] Sic. [23] Sic.
[24] Sic.
[25] Caulfield, op. cit., p. 63. The entry is "George Water fz Adam."
[26] Ibid, p. 139.
[27] Ibid, p. 155.

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sum, both being dated 30 Oct., 1628, which bonds were delivered to the Recorder same day, at his going to Dublin to solicit on behalf of the Corporation.[28]

Like many of the Cork Waters family, George served Charles I as a commissioned officer in the Irish wars before 5th June, 1649.[29] His name appears in a List of the natives of Cork, 1652, or earlier,[30] and also in the Will of his brother, Michael, dated 1649. The Court of Claims reported "George Walter, of Corke, his Cause is hearing."[31] We are not told the result, but his name is included in the Decrees of Innocents, perhaps because he does not seem to have had an estate in the county to be coveted. His son, JOHN is included as John Walters fzGeorge in the List of natives of Cork about 1652, or earlier,[32] but he is described in the Waters Pedigree in Ulster's Office as of Newcastle, Co. Limerick, where he settled.

He married Elizabeth, daughter of Stephen Woulfe of Toucalane (Tiernaclane), Co. Clare, by whom he had two sons and three daughters.

John, their second son, seems to have spent much of his life in Spain in connection with his business as a merchant shipowner. His Will, dated 1730, discloses almost all we know about him. From it we glean that in his old age he returned to Ireland, doubtless a bachelor, and went to live with his niece, Elizabeth (Walters), wife of Francis Woulfe, in Cork. She was eldest child of his brother, George and his wife, Mary, daughter of John Walters of Macroom, who has appeared above in the main line. In this Will four executors are appointed, viz. : the above Francis Woulfe and Philip Woulfe, his brother, both of Cork, for his estate in Ireland, and Richard Hoare and Dominick Walters (his great nephew) both of Cadiz, for his affairs in Spain. It was proved in 1731.

PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE OF IRELAND.
Certified Copy of a Record entitled
WILL OF JOHN WATERS, 1731, DIOCESE OF CORK & ROSS.

In the name of God Amen I John Walters now of the City of Corke Merchant being weake in Body but of perfect good sense and memory Blessed be God for it, and calling to mind that it is ordained for all men once to Dye doe make this to be my last will and Testament, first and principally I recomend my Soule into the hands of God that gave it hoping and assured by beliveing that throgh the meritorious death and sufferings of my Savior Jesus Christ I shall enjoy eternal saluation, and as for such worldly substance as it hath pleased God to bestowe on me I give and bequeath the same in manner following. Item—I order that all such Just Debts as I shall owe at the time of my decease be paid and satisfyed. Item—I leave towards defraying my funerall charges ten pounds ster. and noe more to be expended in and about the same as my Executors resideing in Corke aforesaid shall think proper, and as for such other of my said worldly substance I give and bequeath the same as followeth. Item—I leave and bequeath unto my Brother George Walters now resideing (as I believe) in Paris in ffrance one shilling ster. and noe more. Item—I leave and bequeath unto my eldest sister Mary, the wife of George Walters the sume of Thirty pounds ster. over and above the Bond of Twenty pounds ster. heretofore past by the said George Walters to M' ffrancis Woulfe being my money which said Bond I alsoe order to be given up by the said M' ffrancis Woulfe to the said George without demanding payment for the same. Item—I leave and bequeath unto my Sister Barbara Walters widdow

[28] Caulfield, op. cit., p. 167.
[29] O'Hart, op. cit., p. 409.
[30] Tuckey, *Cork Remembrancer*, p. 282.
[31] Record Office, Dublin.
[32] Tuckey, op. cit., p. 282.

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the sume of Thirty five pounds ster. over and above the fifteene pounds heretofore by me lent her. Item—I leave and bequeath unto my sister Elizabeth Walters the sume of forty pounds ster. towards her future maintenance or advancement. Item—I leave and bequeath unto my neece Elizabeth Woulfe alias Walters the wife of the said ffrancis Woulfe the sume of fifty pounds ster. Item—I order that her husband the said ffrancis Woulfe shall be paid in full for my Dyeth lodgeing and trouble since I first came to his house over and above the said fifty pounds by me hereinbefore left unto the said Elizabeth his said wife. Item—I leave and bequeath to all other my nephues and neeces the sume of one shilling ster. each to be paid them severally if by them or any of them Demanded. Item—I soe order that what I have hereinbefore left and bequeathed shall be in full of each and every of the said persons Demands to my Assetts and substance. Item—it is my will that in case there shall be any part of my assetts or substance remaining after all the aforesaid legacyes and payments are or shall be made as aforesaid that the said remaining part shall be equally distributed share and share like between my said three sisters and my said neece Elizabeth Woulfe share and share like. Item—I make and ordaine foure Executors of this my last will and testament, that is to say, the said ffrancis Woulfe and his Brother Phillip Woulfe both of the City of Corke Merchants to be my Executors in this Kingdom and Richard Hoare and Dominick Walters both of the City of Cadiz in Spaine to be my Executors there in such manner as the said Richard Hoare and Dominick Walters shall manage for me as my Executors in Spaine and be accountable to the said ffrancis Woulfe and Phillip Woulfe my Executors here for and in all things they shall transact and doe concearning the recovery of my assetts and substance there and in their remittances thereof according to the Directions of my said Executors here and that my said Executors here shall have the power of Distributing all my said assetts and substance as well there as here according to the tenor and directions of this my said last Will and testament and I doe hereby Revoke anull and make void all and every former Will or Wills heretofore by me made in writing or otherwise and doe acknowledge this and noe other to be my last Will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seale this seventeenth Day of March in the yeare of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and thirty.

John Waters (Seal).

Signed Sealed and Published
in the presence of
Charles Macarthy
Nichs Woulfe
Cha Dawly

19° May 1731 Quo die p'bat' fuit suprascripu Test'um suprascripi deft' in Com'uni Juris fra & concep est onus Execuois Ejusd' Franciss Woulfe un Execut' in eod' no'i'at' reservat' pot'ate alter' Execut' in eod' No'i'at cu vener' easd' petitus
D Intrio 10° Novem. p x. Tho : Russell, Vic. Gen' Corc.'

The three daughters of John of Newcastle were, Mary, wife of George Walters, Barbara, who married Pierce Creagh in 1702,[33] and Elizabeth, who does not appear to have been married.

GEORGE, elder son of John of Newcastle, seems to have left Ireland at the time of the "flight of the wild geese," and gone to Paris, where he founded a Bank, so well-known during the XVIIIth. century, especially amongst the Jacobites. King James II. issued the following Declaration concerning him in 1699 : "That George Waters, eldest son of John Waters of Newcastle, County of Limerick, is descended from a good old family in Ireland. (Signed) Jacobus, Rex. St. Germains."

George, of Paris, married, under Dispensation, his cousin, Mary, daughter of John Waters, fitzChristopher, of Macroom (whose place is in the main line of the family) and of his wife, Margaret, daughter of James Morrogh, of the city of Cork.

The Stuart Papers, preserved at Windsor in the Royal Library, show entries in which George Waters is mentioned :—

[33] Marriage Licence Bonds, Cloyne.

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DOMINICK WATERS, THE ELDER

ELEANOR (ROCHE)
WIFE OF DOMINICK WATERS, THE ELDER

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1700, Mar. 17. St. Germains.—Certificate that Bartholomew Morrogh, now living in Spain, is descended from a family of gentle blood in the county of Cork. Noted as solicited by and delivered to Mr. Waters.[34]

1700, Aug. 31. St. Germains.—Certificate that Paul Leonard, now living in Spain, is the son of parents of gentle birth of Co. Waterford. Note as granted on the attestations of Sir Andw. Lee, Col. Power, Capt. Fr. Grant, Counsellor Robt. Power and Therry, and delivered to Mr. Waters.[35]

George Waters' wife, Mary, died between 1705, when her son, George, was born, and 1709, or thereabout; when he married again as the French extract given below shows. By his second wife, Jane Donovan, of whom we know nothing, he had a daughter, Françoise, born in 1711, and a son, Georges, born in 1713, but who lived barely two years.

"1711, 2 Mai, a.e.b. Françoise, fille de Georges Warter, gentilhomme irlandais, et de Jeanne Donvuane. Parain, Jean Farely, prêtre, Maraine, Honora O'Brien, veuve de Milord de Bryttas. Signatories, De Bryttas. Jo. Farely.

1713, 14 Août, a été baptisé Georges Waters, fils de George, officier irlandais, et de Jeanne Donevan. Parain, Denis Carney, gentilhomme ordinaire de la chambre du Roi d'Angleterre. Maraine, Marie Thérèse Rattray, épouse de sieur Bourke, gentilh. de la ch. du Roi d'Angl. Signatories, de Carney. Bourke. Machugh.

1715. 9 Août. Inhumé Georges Water, fils de Georges, gentilhomme irlandais et de Jeanne Donnovan, 2 ans.

Signatories. Macartie, épouse de Jacques Morphy, Officier du Roi d'Angl., Boullay."[36]

It will be noticed that George Waters was at this time a functionary of the Household of the exiled King, James II., that being denoted by the term "officier."

By his first wife, Mary Waters, of Macroom, he had two sons, and a daughter, Elizabeth, wife of Francis Woulfe of Cork, mentioned above. Of the sons, George, the younger, born in 1705, who joined his father in Paris, will be traced after following the issue of :—

PATRICK, the elder, who was a merchant-venturer of Cork.

He married in 1713,[37] Jane, daughter of Nicholas Woulfe of Tier-na-clane, or Tirry-Callane, Co. Clare, whose family was related to the Macnamaras and Stackpoles.

Unfortunately he invested in Law's famous South-Sea Company, formed in 1710, which was managed, first unwisely, then fraudulently. Almost all the wealthy persons in the Kingdoms had become speculators, the allurements of the directors having raised the £100 Shares to the price of £1000. The "Bubble" burst in 1720, causing ruin to thousands of families. In 1722 Patrick Waters became bankrupt in consequence. His son,—

DOMINICK, born in Cork in 1713, was, on the death of his mother, adopted

[34] Entry Book, 3, p. cvi. Vide Calendar Stuart Papers, p.p. 147, 152.
[35] Ibid, p. cxiv.
[36] *Parochial Registers of St. Germain-en-Laye*, V. II., p. 136–7. Edited by Lart, London, 1910.
[37] Marriage Licence Bonds, Cork and Ross.

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by Kate Woulfe, his aunt. His first cousin,[38] George Waters, eldest son of William of Killarney (of the main line), took him in 1730 into partnership in Cork, where they were shipowners, trading between that city and Lisbon and Cadiz, at which latter place they had a "House." As "Dominick Walters of Cadiz," he is appointed one of the executors in Spain in the Will of his great uncle, John, dated 1730.

In 1750 he married Eleanor, daughter of John Roche, and his wife, Anne, daughter of Philip Stackpole, of Mount Cashell, by his wife, Christian, daughter of John Creagh of Ballyvolane, Colonel in the Irish Army, circa. 1642. Dominick Waters died in 1792. Portraits of him and of his wife are in the possession of Mrs. G. O'C. Redmond, who kindly allowed copies to be painted and these are at Brideweir. Their family consisted of Jane, Helen and Anne, who died respectively in 1800, 1824 and 1828 ; and

Patrick, b. 1751, who held a commission, dated 31 Oct., 1796, as First Lieutenant 6th. Company Cork Legion (Cork City) Yeomanry.[39] He died unmarried in 1834.

George, b. 1754 and died without issue in 1824.

John, who settled in Trinidad, where he made a fortune. Here is a copy[40] of a letter from "the greatest sailor since our world began" to him,—

"Boreas,"
Basseterre Roads,
June 25, 1785.

"Dear Sir,

"Permit me to return you my most sincere thanks for your attention to me and the "Boreas" while we lay at St. Eustatia, the obligation, let me assure you, shall never be forgotten by me, and I hope even for an opportunity of convincing you of it, being with great esteem, your most obliged humble servant,

Horatio Nelson.

Pray my compliments to the ladies of your house.

Mr. Wallis has got a slight fever."

John Waters died at Trinidad in 1805.

Dominick Waters' fourth son, another Dominick, was born in 1765. His wife, whom he married 19th May, 1790, was Clarissa Eliza, daughter of John Creagh, and of his wife, who was a Miss Hore. He held a commission, dated 31 Oct., 1796, as Second Lieutenant 4th Company, Cork Legion (Cork City) Yeomanry, his portrait, in the uniform of which, is in the possession of Mrs. G. O'C. Redmond, who kindly allowed a copy to be painted and this is at Brideweir. His wife died in 1800, while he survived until 1828. Of their children, the second, John, born in 1794, inheriting or managing his uncle's estate in Trinidad, died there in 1824, and Patrick died in infancy. Their eldest son —

Dominick Creagh Waters, was born in Cork on 6th March, 1791, and entered the Royal Navy, 14th Feb., 1805, as First-class Volunteer on board the Diomede, 50, Capts. Hugh Downman and Joseph Edmonds, in which ship, bearing the flag at first of Admiral Sir James Saumarez, he assisted

[38] So styled in letter of Geo. A. Waters of Crobally to nephew, Capt. G. A. Waters, R.N., 1846.

[39] Smith's *History of Cork*, ed. 1893, V. I., p. 489.

[40] Original in the possession of Dominick Waters Mahony, Esq., Dyke Parade, City.

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DOMINICK WATERS, THE YOUNGER

LIEUT. DOMINICK CREAGH WATERS, R.N.

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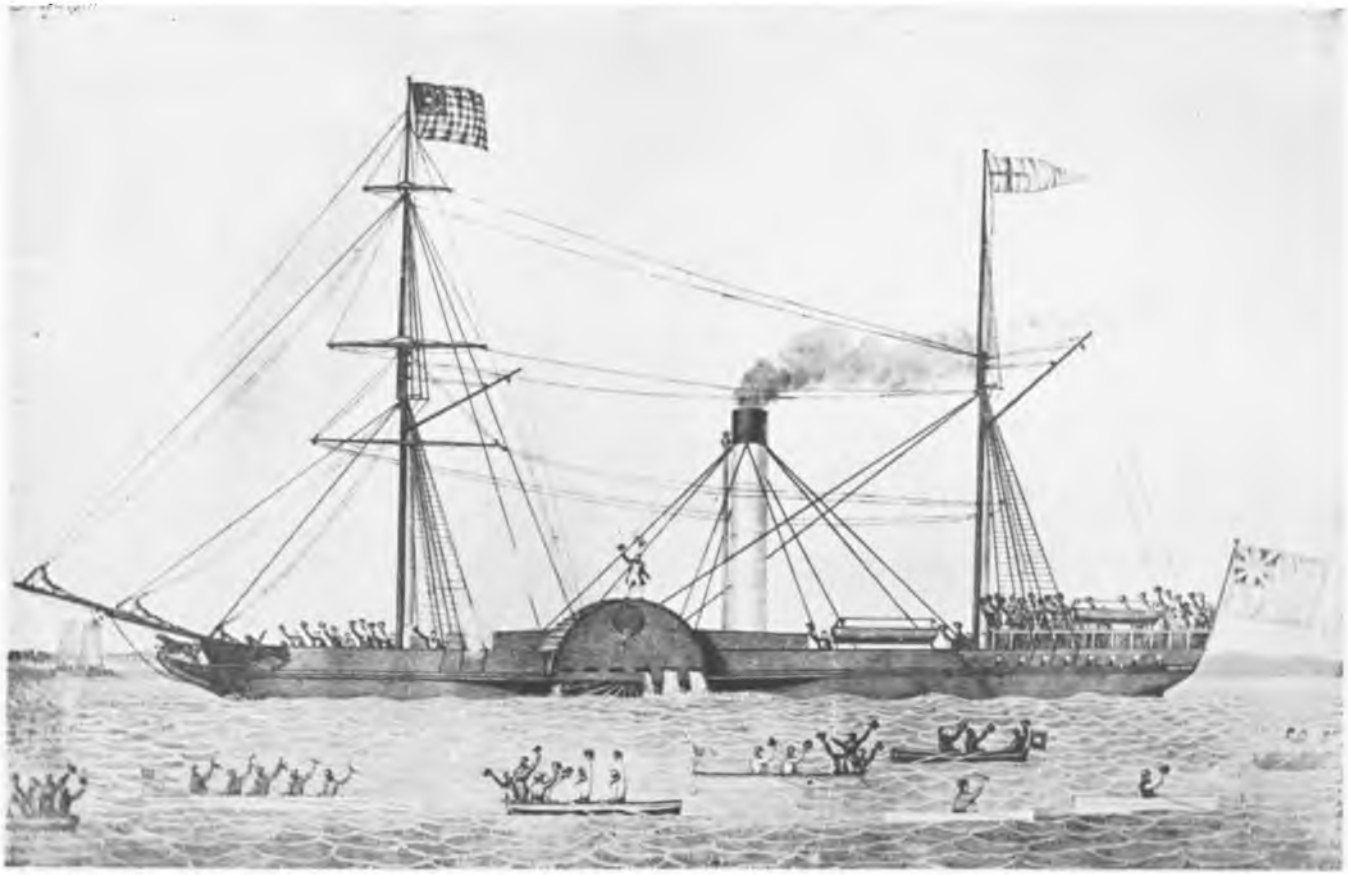

THE "SIRIUS," THE FIRST VESSEL UNDER STEAM THAT CROSSED THE ATLANTIC.

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as midshipman at the capture of the Cape of Good Hope, Buenos Ayres and Monte Video. On his return to England with General Beresford in June, 1807, he joined the Foudroyant, 80, Capt. Norborne Thompson, whom he followed afterwards into the Minotaur, 74, Perlen, 36, and Bombay, 74. In the Foudroyant he witnessed the flight of the Royal Family of Portugal to the Brazils; in the Perlen he accompanied the expedition of 1809 to the Walcheren; and in the Bombay (which ship, commanded latterly by Capt. Geo. Parker, he left in Feb. 1814) he was for about two years stationed in the Mediterranean. He was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant 13 Feb., 1815; and was, from 27th Feb., 1816 until he invalided in 1818, employed in the East Indies in the Baccus, 16, Capts. Wm. Hill and John Pengelly Parkin.[41]

As was not uncommon at that period of Naval retrenchment, Lieut. Dominick Creagh Waters, R.N., took a command in the merchant service, and a writer well known in the Victorian era has left the following inimitable sketch of him, in such circumstances, tinted although it is obviously in a high degree with the Englishman's idea of how an Irishman should speak.

It is No. 104 of Mark Boyd's *Reminiscences of Fifty Years*, published in 1871, and is headed—

"WAS NOT THAT BETTER THAN SLAPING?"

Very nearly thirty years ago, in the end of May, I had a charming view of the Russian summer fleet cruising in the Baltic. I was a passenger to St. Petersburg, on board the steamer "Sirius" the first vessel under steam that had ever crossed the Atlantic to America, notwithstanding Dr. Lardner's opinion that for a steamer to cross the ocean was an impossibility. She was commanded by a very pleasant, accomplished, kind-hearted, and rollicking Irish half-pay lieutenant in the navy, of the name of Waters. At three o'clock one morning he opened the door of my cabin, and soon aroused me from a profound sleep, by asking what was the use of paple laving home to travel, if they hadn't their eyes open at three o'clock on such a beautiful morning as that. "But it is very early, captain," I said. "Early, do you say? Why, you shouldn't have lost a moment of the whoule night, but have been with me on the poop. Why, sir, I saw you rading the smallest print at twelve o'clock last night on deck, and you may rade still smaller print in this part of the world at three o'clock in the morning, but that's not what I called you for. You must get up this very moment." "Oh, be merciful, captain!" "I'll be nothing of the kind; here's the whoule Rossian sommer flate on the starboard tack; bedad, jost as if the Emperor Nicholas knew you were coming, and sent it down here for you to sae." The appeal was irresistible. I was immediately on deck, being richly rewarded for severing myself from that "best friend of frail humanity," by witnessing a magnificent sight. The Baltic was so calm a lake "that not a wrinkle ruffled her smooth face." There was just breeze enough to fill the sails of twenty men-of-war. Lieutenant Waters endeavoured to explain to me the evolutions of the squadron, and, seeing that I was highly interested, said to me, "Now, I'll tell you what I am going to do with you, but you nade not be talking of it at headquarters when you get back to London, and it won't after all interfare a marcel with our arrival at Cronstadt. I'll give you a run right up through the flate, and then back down through the flate." In the meantime I suggested that our fellow-passengers should be apprised of what was going on.

I observed, as we passed near some of the ships, that ours was warmly greeted, and I asked our commander to explain. "Why, bless you sor, Dominic Creagh Waters and the Sarius are as well known at Cronstadt as the biggest fort there." We had now said good-by to the Russian fleet, and were assembled at breakfast, when our lieutenant-commander entered, and, addressing me, said, "Was not that better than *slaping*?"

Waters, whose attention to his duties, and to the comfort of his passengers, was unremitting, made our week's voyage from the English to the Russian Capital one of rapturous delight. He would not even allow me to be seasick; he had always something

[41] O'Byrne, Naval Biography.

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to stap soch hombog. "Now you drink that while I tell you an anecdote, and attend to me and not to the other thing, for if this were ounely followed, there would be a dale less sae-sickness." It was quite impossible to ask him a single question without his answer securing for you a hearty laugh. I recollect, just as we were starting from the Thames, opposite the Tower, I said, "Captain Waters, when shall we be at St. Petersburg?" "Well, we shall be at Cronstadt forst, but I suppose you are not particular to an hour." "Not in the least," "I promise you that if you don't ate your dinner at the latter place next Wednesday, you shall drink your tay, but at same time it is ounely right to tell you that it's a dale farther than aither Windsor or Richmond. Now look at that clock, it's on the strike of eight, and this is Wednesday morning, and if the ould "Sarious" and myself doun't quarrel by the road on Wednesday avening next, she and I will have you 1,650 miles away from Billingsgate Market, and mourover, in the intervaning pariod, we shall give you the best inside of a day in Norway, and the same in Denmark, to yourself; say, eight hours in one, and twelve in the other. You have, of course, heard spake of a Norway fiord." "Oh, yes." "Well then, you will have into the bargain a sail up one to Christiansand, and after you have sane it, all you have to do is to apply a magnifying-glass, and you will be able to make it as big as any fiord in Norway. Joking apart, in going up and coming down you will be able to jodge right well of the fatures of the contry, and I am only sorry I can't give you time for a little salmon-fishing. There is a great advantage and economy of time for the tourist in this northern latitude," said our Irish captain, "as there's daylight during the night at this saison."

The morning after leaving Christiansand, at a very early hour, Lieutenant Dominic Creagh Waters shook me rather sharply in my berth, holding in his other hand a book, and exclaiming, "Shake aff this downy slape." "What is it, captain?" "I was tould in London to be mighty civil to you, and it shall be your owne fault if I am not; now, wake op, for I have brought you "Hamlet," which I wish you once more to read, and that mighty sharp, for in an hour we shall be aff Elsinore, and you will be able, when you get back, to show your larning, and talk with any of them about Claudius, King of Denmark, Hamlet, Ophalia, Rosencrantz, and the whoule boiling of them. Now wake up, for, upon my soule, you can stand a dale of slape, more than any Scotchman I ever met with, for, generally spaking—you are an exception—they are wide enoff awake when it is to benefit them.—Steward, bring a wet towel here and rob Mr. Boyd's eyes until you get the slape out of them."

Never had Shakespeare before sunk in my estimation, but at finding myself suddenly withdrawn from the warm embrace of "our foster nurse of Nature," a feeling of deep regret crossed my mind that our illustrious dramatist had ever written "Hamlet."

At six o'clock a.m. we were at Copenhagen, our captain exclaiming, "Well done, ould Sarius." It being Sunday morning, and the weather most charming, the passengers were all on deck and decked in their best. Our incomparable captain thus addressed us: "Ladies and gintilmen, I am now going to give you twelve hours' lave of absence to do your chorch, the city of Copenhagen, and the kingdom of Denmark. Remember me kindly to Thorwaldsen, and don't be complimenting Lord Nelson too highly to the Danes."

Capt. Dominick C. Waters was presented by a Russian Princess as an acknowledgement of his kindness during a cruise with a *faience* piece with a very deep, heavily gilt border inside and on the outer side embellished with the Royal Arms of Russia. It is now the property of Dominick Waters Mahony, Esq., Dyke Parade, Cork.

The present writer's grandfather, George A. Waters, of Crobally, Tramore, in a letter, dated 29 July, 1846, to his nephew, of the same name, who was then at Cove, serving a commission in H.M.S. Dee, says "Your great-grandfather, Geo. Waters, was first cousin to Dominick Waters' grandfather. They were early in life joint shipowners, but some difference taking place, they had no communication for years; however, a reconciliation took place a short period before my grandfather's death and my father, being absent, old Dominick got possession of the family papers from my grandmother after her husband's death, amongst which was the genealogy of our family.—I got a copy of the original drawn up by Mr. Barry of Lemlara, late M.P.

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for the county Cork.—As soon as I have some leisure I will transcribe a copy and send it to you, as well as some account of our family, of which your father never knew anything. Lieut. D. Waters and your father were old acquaintances,—they met in the West Indies when my brother commanded the Marines on board the flag,—the Neptune, 98,—At that period D. W. was a midshipman and your father offered to get him removed to the flag. I had the pleasure of seeing Lt. W. here some years ago and made him a present of a fine Newfoundland dog. I cannot say what he is now, but he was formerly a complete water-dog himself."

Dominick Creagh Waters married in 1822, Mary Catherine, daughter of John Galway Ronan of Cork, M.D.,[42] and of Katherine Letitia Fitzgerald, of Castle Richard.[43] Their home was at Blackrock, where Mrs. Waters died 27th. June, 1832, and was buried with her tenth child on the tenth anniversary of her marriage. Her husband resided afterwards at Tivoli, Cork, where he died 9th. Jan., 1850. Two miniatures of him are in the possession of his grandson, Dominick Waters Mahony, Esq., of Dyke Parade, Cork, who kindly allowed them to be copied for the collection at Brideweir. Their children were, 1. Dominick, b. 1824, d. 1829.

2. Stephen, b. 1831 and died in infancy.

3. Katherine Mary, who married Denis McCarthy Mahony, of The Island, Rochestown, Co. Cork, (he died in 1901), and had issue: (a) Dominick Waters Mahony, of Dyke Parade, Cork, whose wife is Edith Nora, daughter of Michael Mahony, of Baldoyle, Co. Cork. (b) Denis Mahony, K.C., of Dublin, who married Mary, daughter of Walter Burke Ronan.[44] (c) Francis Mahony, C.E., of Ballarat. (d) Mary K. Mahony, who died in 1910.

4. Clarissa, who died in infancy.

5. Mary, a sister of Charity, Foundress of St. Patrick's Hospital for Incurables, Cork.

6. Belinda Maria, who married Denis Francis Mahony, Solicitor, Cork (he died in 1855 at Queenstown) and was mother of (a) Michael Edward Mahony, b. 1849, d. 1856. (b) Dominick Richard Mahony and (c) Denis F. Mahony, b. 1853, d. s. p. 1875. Mrs. D. F. Mahony died in 1869.

7. Clara Mary, b. 1832, died 1912, was the wife of Daniel Sugrue, of Cork, who died in 1902.

[42] Accidentally drowned near Cork in Dec., 1813. Of an ancient family shorn of the greater part of their extensive estates, but still possessing the dignity or privilege of an obligation on the Mayor, Sheriffs, Chamberlain and Corporation of Limerick to meet the representative of the family on his approach to the city, and to do him honour as Lord Paramount of Limerick.

An old tradition alleges that a white dove appears before the death of any member of the Ronan family.

[43] The Fitzgeralds, of Castle Richard, said to be the only Commoners in Ireland entitled to supporters on their Coat of Arms, represented the ancient Seneschals of Imokilly. Their burial place is at Castlemartyr, where they claimed the privilege of being buried by torchlight and having the great gates opened at midnight to admit the funeral procession. An old legend relates a curse, pronounced by a green dwarf—apparently the evil genius of their house—which was to last for seven generations. The last survivor of the seven generations was a very old lady, living almost in poverty in 1883. She with her brother and sister had been left in very straitened circumstances when, on the death of their father, the last remnant of the property was sold.

[44] Brother of Mrs. Dominick Creagh Waters and father of the late Lord Justice Ronan.

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8. Ellen, a nun, " Sister Mary Clare," in the Ursuline Convent, Blackrock, Cork, who died in 1893.

Dominick Waters and his wife, Clarissa Eliza Creagh, had, in addition to the three sons mentioned above, two daughters of whom the younger, Mary, died in infancy, and the elder, Ellen Clarissa, who was born 1st Jan., 1793, married 13th April, 1814, Bartholomew Verling,[45] of Ringmeen House, Cove, J.P. (b. in 1786), sometime Harbourmaster and Spanish Consul at Queenstown, and had issue :—

Sons :—Dominick Waters Verling, Sub-Inspector, R.I.C., who died *sine prole* in 1844 and whose widow, Maria, married 2ndly Rochfort McGuire. John, James B., and Edward, who died young and unmarried, and John George Verling, who was born in 1829, a Lieut. R.N., who served in H.M.S. Vengeance, Capt. Stephen Lushington, and died without issue in 1852.

Daughters :—Clarissa, Ellen, Helena, Anne and Kate all died young, and Maria Verling, who was born 13 May, 1827, married John Quinlan of Clonkerdin, Co. Waterford, D.C.L., J.P., and had issue ;—

(a) Helen Catherine, who married Gabriel O'Connell Redmond, M.R.C.P.I., eldest son of Henry E. Redmond, late 54th Regt. R.M. at Dungarvan and Queenstown, and has issue four sons and three daughters, viz. :—

1. Henry Edward, m. Blanche Blumfeld, residing in Somerset.
2. Raymond J. m. Marie Muller, issue—Raymond Patrick, Doctor Philosophy, Bachelor Theology, Rome.
3. Robert FitzSimon, in New Zealand.
4. Gabriel Reginald, R.C. Priest, in Redcar.
5. Clarissa Ellen, a Nun in Order of Irish Sisters of Charity.
6. Margaret m. R. Sullivan, issue—Elizabeth Helen.
7. Helen m. Alan Fitzgibbon, in Leeds.

(b) Clarissa Maria, a nun in Order of Irish Sisters of Charity, and

(c) Frances Anne, wife of Gerald FitzGerald, J.P. (Co. Waterford) Assessor to the Irish Land Commission. Their only son, Herbert Gerald, B.L., died unmarried in 1919.

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WILL OF CHRISTOPHER FITZ PATRICK WATTER

Diocese of Cork & Ross 1620.

In the name of God Amen the 3d November 1620 I Christopher Water Fz Patrick being weake of body yett of pfect witt and memory doe make & ordain this me last Will and Testament.

First I bequeath me soule unto God Almighty to his blessed mother the Virgin Mary and to all the saints in heaven.

Secondly me body to the earth to be buried with my father in St. Petters Church in St. Catherines Chappell.

Thirdly I doe constitute and ordaine me well-beloved cowzen Dominick (Dom) my brethern John Fz James Mathew John Myagh FzThomas and my brother Richard

[45] For an account of the Verlings, who were of Danish origin like the Coppingers, Skiddys, Harolds and Goulds, see *Dr. James Roche Verling* by Dr. Redmond, *Cork Hist. & Archaeological Journal*, Vol. XXII., p. 64.

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BALLYBEG ABBEY, BUTTEVANT

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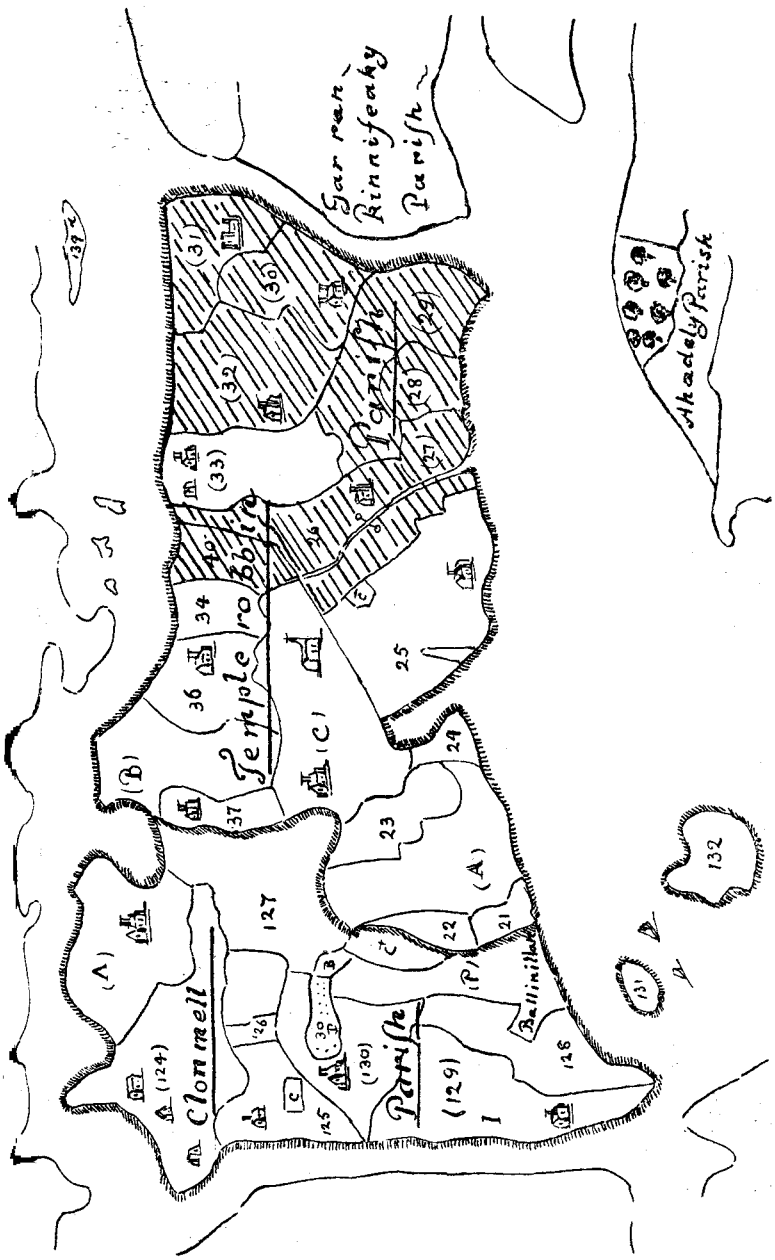

TEMPLEROBIN PARISH

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24. Caskinny
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25. Ballymore
26. Ballydonelbegg
27. Ballybrasill
28. Ballyknockane
29. Walterstowne
30. Kilinvohory
31. E. Ballinakill
32. West Ballinakill
33. Ballymeshanero
34. Corbally
35. Ballinvrittig
36. Ballydonellmore
37. Fannagh
38. Ballydulea
39. ½ of Ballynetra
c^4 Gleabe
A. Corranebway
B. Rosloige
C. .....

CLONMELL PARISH

124. Killhodnett
125. Passage
126. Ballyhetrick
127. Ballynecrushy
B. Bog Common to the Adjacent Townes
128. Est : Rynemyne
129. West Rynemyne
130. Ballyleary
130B. Of the same bogg
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132. Spittle Land
c^4 Gleabe
Bellvelly, Bellivilare, pt. of Killynesk 177a.

SIR W. PETTY'S MAP OF THE GREAT ISLAND IN CORK HARBOUR FOR THE DOWN SURVEY,

Enlarged by Mr. Michael Holland; the Waters Castles and Estate before the Cromwellian confiscation being shaded.

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Water Fz Patrick tutors over me wife and me son Willi'm praiening them earnestly to be carefull of them and to dischardge me debt and to manadge my goods to the best use to the pfitt of me wife and child.

Fourthly I bequeath and leave me house unto my maried wife Ellen Myaigh dureing her naturall life without any abstacle given unto her as it is now in myne owne occupation.

Fifthly I doe appoint, constitute, & ordaine me son Willi'm Watter and me wife Ellen Myagh executors of this my last Will and testament.

It is me last Will and pleasure that if it soe chance as God forbid it should that me son Will'm doe die any tyme before he be married, that me brother Richard shall share and injoy the one halfe or moiety of all my goods that I have now after paying me debts and also that me son shall be me sole heire & after his decease for want of heires male of his body me brother Richard to be my heire. Christopher Watter.

Being present Dominick Watter John Mathew John Myagh.

Proved 17th. January 1620.

WILL OF WILLIAM WATER(S), FITZ PATRICK.

Proved 22 January 1628.

In the name of God Amen. I, William Water, Fitz Patrick, being sick of body but of sound understanding do make my last will, bequeathing my soule to Almightie God, the blessed Virgin, and the Angels of my guarde, St. Michael and all the Angels in heaven, my body to be buried in St. Peter's Church in my Father's grave. My brother Christopher Water to pay all the debts I owe.....to my mother and to boath my sisters, if so muche be left besids the paying, XV*li*. I bequeath my brother Christopher the brassen pan and aqua vita pott which Ellen Roch hath of myne ; unto Michael Galwey a gold ring. I make my brother Christopher my heire, and I will that he shall give my man Andrewe Skiddy for his paines and for his servis .....Witness' present, Michael Galwey, Robert Tirry, Thomas Meigh.*

* *Gentleman's Magazine* June 1862, p. 713. Contributed by Dr. R. Caulfield.

(*To be continued.*)

Historic Drimoleague.

By DANIEL NYHAN, N.T., P.C.

"The good old times long, long ago,
The time of the——Barmecides."

DRIMOLEAGUE was long ago called "Botair na Shruvane"; and Drinagh was named in the old records "Drinagh an toumpuill" (the blackthorn thicket of the Church). The Decretal Letter of Innocent III., dated April, 1199, refers to Scol, Celloran (Caheragh) Drumdalach (Drimoleague) and Fanlobais. Celloran is now Ballyourane in Caheragh. In 1441 Dermot Ouchanty (O'Canty) was in charge of Drimoleague. His two predecessors were Randal O'Hurley and Aedh O'Mahony. Robert De Cogan granted to the Vicars Choral of Cork the church of Drinagh in 1437.

Rev. Michael Philpott, Prebendary of Drimoleague, writing in 1731, says :—"In the parishes of Drimoleague and Caheragh there are but two reputed Masshouses (one in each). The one in Caheragh is fixed in the same place for many years before the reign of King George I." (Killeenleigh).

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