

The Memorial Brass, presented by the Parishioners of Seagoe, in Record of the Benefactions of the Blacker Family for 240 years, to the Church and Parish of Seagoe. This work has been wrought by Messrs. John W. Singer & Sons (Frome, Somerset), from the designs of Mr. Drew.

The Inscription on it is as follows :—

“To the Glory of God, and in Record of the munificence of Stewart Blacker, of Carrickblacker, Esquire, deceased anno 1881, and his surviving sister, Dame Hester Anna, Baroness von Stieglitz, to this Parish of Seagoe.

“They following the pious example of their forefathers (of whom it is of record that Valentine Blacker rebuilt, about 1662, the ancient Parish Church, ruined in the Rebellion of 1641; and the very Rev. Stewart Blacker, Dean of Leighlin, with the Rev. George Blacker, Vicar, by their exertions built this Church in 1816), in 1876 by a Gift of £1000, and an advance to the Vestry of £1,600, secured to the Parish, at the Disestablishment of the Irish Church, a Parochial Endowment Fund now, in 1896, amounting to £6,710. In 1891, the Baroness von Stieglitz generously aided the Parishioners in the rebuilding of the Nave of this Parish Church and the erection of the South Aisle, and at her sole cost added the Chancel in Loving Memory of her aforesaid Brother, Stewart Blacker, providing it with suitable furniture and adorning it with many costly gifts and offerings towards the comely and reverent worship of Almighty God; and, in 1896, she presented the Glazing of the Great East Window in sympathetic accord with the grace and beauty of this House of God.

“We glorify God in the behalf of these Benefactions, and humbly pray that they may be had in everlasting remembrance before Him.”

Abraham Dawson, A.M.,

Dean of Dromore and Rector of Seagoe.

George Calvert, }
John Lavery, } Churchwardens.

Anno, 1896.