


Seagoe Parish Magazine.

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The Anniversary Service.

N the evening of Sunday, July 6th, an Anniversary Service was held in Seagoe Parish Church. The body of the Church was reserved for the members of the Orange Lodges who were present in large numbers. All the Lodges of the District were represented. The hymns were heartily sung, hymn-sheets being provided for all present. The Sermon was preached by the Rector from the text—"Go Forward" (Exod. xiv. 15). He referred to the gravity of the crisis which seemed to be approaching, and counselled those present to meet it in the spirit of courage and faith. The collection at the Service was this year given to the support of the Enniskillen Orphan Fund, which has acted with great generosity towards many widows and orphans in the Parish. The sum contributed amounted to £4 15s 1d. At the close of the service a verse of the National Anthem was sung.

The Annual Report.

The Report is now in the hands of the Parishioners and should be carefully read. If anyone has not got a copy of it the Sustentation Fund collector in your district will give you one. The main object of a Parish Report is to provide the Parishioners with a Statement of the Amounts contributed to the various Funds during the year. The Sustentation Fund is the most important Fund in many respects, because it is a useful index to the interest taken by the Parishioners in the welfare of the Church. During the year ending December 31st, 1912, the subscriptions to this object denote a slight falling off as compared with last year. In some townlands there has been an increase over the amount contributed last year, while in others there has been a decrease. We have not as yet reached the total of £200 which should not be an impossible sum in a Parish so large and populous as Seagoe.

The contributions to Foreign Missions are well maintained in spite of the fact that we lost our enthusiastic mission worker, the Rev. W. R. Crichton. The three Societies supported by the Parish are the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel (our oldest Missionary Society), the Church Missionary Society, and the South American Missionary Society. This last Society deserves our special interest because it numbers amongst its honorary missionaries the Misses Dawson, who did so much good work in the Parish when Dean Dawson was Rector. A larger sum was sent in to this Society than ever before. The Day Schools are a very important part of the machinery of the Parish, and

we are glad to see that they are being well supported. The Sale of Work held last year has made it possible to begin the enlargement of Seagoe Day School. As we write preliminary work has been begun in connection with the building of the new class room. The room will have openings into the Boys and Girls schoolrooms and in size it will be almost as large as either of these rooms. The need for this additional room is urgent. The Government Inspector has been for long urging us to erect a partition in the existing Schoolrooms, but this would prove but an inefficient substitute for a new class room. The members of the Select Vestry and in particular Mr. James Twinem, Rector's Churchwarden, have interested themselves in this important work, and we are confident that their efforts will be crowned with gratifying success.

The Sunday School Fund is in a healthy condition, but we need an increase in our Annual Subscribers. Readers of the Report will notice that although we did away with the Easter Penny Cards this year our receipts from the Teacher's and Class Cards provided us with a larger sum than the former system. A smaller sum was spent on Prizes. In former years the number of prizes awarded was too great, and a reduction in their number will render them more valuable as a reward for merit. Everything possible is being done to encourage the children of the Parish to become regular in their attendance at the Parish Church as well as at Sunday School, and with this object in view it is proposed this year to limit the prizes to those who attend with regularity the Services in Church.

The work of the Bible Classes may be judged from the Reports furnished by the Treasurer. The large sum expended on Medals, which are extremely difficult to win, is a proof of the steady progress of the Classes. A few subscriptions towards the Bible Class Prize Fund would prove useful in meeting the expenses of the Medals and Books given in each class for good attendance.

Attention should be directed to the "Form of Bequest" printed in the Report. Almost every week someone or other in the Parish must be planning how they would wish to have their property arranged, if in this uncertain life they should be called away. The claim of the Church to some portion is a pressing one which every loyal member should bear in mind. A list of objects which may well claim the interest of every parishioner is printed in the Report. Of course at the present moment the Glebe Purchase Scheme out-weighs in importance all other objects. It has been put before the Parish by the Vestry as a most desirable and important measure, and the decision of the Vestry has been approved by the Parishioners.

In conclusion, we recommend our readers to look carefully through the Report and to make themselves familiar with the various agencies at work in

the Parish for the spread of Christ's Kingdom on earth. The greatness of the work demands that every member of the Church should be prepared to give liberally of his substance to so Divine a cause. Let us pray that God will give to each of us the spirit of self-sacrifice, so that having first offered OURSELVES we will then be ready to offer our possessions to Him who hast given us all things.

"Our wills are ours, we know not why;
Our wills are ours to make them Thine."

Protestant Orphan Cards.

We print the names of those who kindly collected for the Orphan Society on the Cards issued during the week preceding the Sunday (July 6th) on which the Annual Collection for the Orphans is made in Seagoe Parish;—Mrs. Metcalfe 1/3; Miss A. B. Coulter 3/-; Miss S. Cartmill 3/3; Mrs. MacMullan 2/6; Miss E. Thornton 2/9; Miss M. McCrory 3/3; Wm. J. Webb 2/-; Moses McKerr 8 3; Wm. Jn. Caddell, jun., 8/-; John Gracey 4/3; Hugh Stoops 1/-; Miss M. Rainey 6/-; Miss N. Lewie 3/6; David Johnston 3/7; Miss Minnie Crawford 3/9; Miss B. Magee 1/6; Miss Lily Ellis 8/-; Miss M. McCormick 2/3; W. Sherman 6/-; Miss J. England 1/-; Miss C. Cordy 1/-; Miss M. Watson 1/8; No Name 2/-; Jas. Forde 2/1; Miss Emma Cordner 1/-; Mr C. J. Collins 4/-; Thomas McCrory 11/6; Wm. Best 3/10; Thomas J. Gordon 1/6; Miss Agnes Wilson 3/3; Christina Livingston -/8; John Lavery 2/6. Total—Total £5 10s 1d.

Edenderry Sustentation Fund.

A meeting of the Collectors of the Sustentation Fund in Edenderry was held in the Parochial Hall on Thursday, July 10th, at 8 o'clock. The Rector was in the chair. Mr. W. R. Atkinson, Hon. Treas., was also present. It has been felt for some time that the collection of the Sustentation Fund in the town end of the Parish should be more carefully organised and the meeting was held for the purpose of considering means for improving the present system of collection. Several suggestions were made by those present. It was felt that the method of collecting once each year was not the most effective. In Belfast there is a monthly collection in each parish and by this means a large sum is collected each year made up of small monthly contributions from each subscriber. The system of small monthly payments is so frequently adopted for all kinds of objects in working-class districts that it seems to be the easiest and most natural system to follow in collecting for the support of the Church. In the neighbouring Parish of Knocknamuckley a quarterly system of collections for Sustentation has, we believe, been tried for some time past and with much success. During the past year there have been many changes of residence among our Parishioners in Edenderry. In some streets quite half of the residents are new comers.

In such cases a great deal of extra labour is thrown on the collectors, but with a carefully organised system of quarterly or monthly collections the new names could be entered on each collector's list, and the old subscribers transferred to the Collector into whose District they had moved. It was decided in the near future to begin a new system of collection and to publish monthly or quarterly in the Parish Magazine the names of those who subscribe.

Church and Sunday School Attendance Cards.

EDENDERRY SUNDAY SCHOOL.

1ST RANK—60—65.

Sarah Walker 65; Agnes Johnston 65; Maggie Rainey 65; Sarah Coulter 62; Bella Magee 60.

2ND RANK—55—60.

Sarah Martin 58; Emma Best 56; Willie Best 55; Jean Dawson 55.

3RD RANK—50—55.

Wm. H. Best 54; Annie Cox 53; Sam Magee 55; Robert Crawford 52; Mary Crawford 52; May Best 51; Minnie Allen 51; Mollie Cox 50; Sarah Malcomson 52.

4TH RANK—45—50.

Jemima Matchett 47; Willie Cox 46; Jack Hynds 46.

SEAGOE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

1ST RANK—60—65.

May Best 65; Mary J. Atkinson 65; Isabella Best 65.

2ND RANK—55—60. None.

3RD RANK—50—55.

Annie McLoughlin 54; Rachel Turkington 54; Lily McKerr 54; W. R. Holland 50; Christina Cordy 50.

4TH RANK—45—50.

Caroline Magee 48; Herbert Magee 48; Rebecca Turkington 46.

Offertories.

"Of Thine own have we given Thee."

Sunday—Mornings	...	£5 19 5
Evenings	...	6 0 6
Week days	...	0 6 2
Total,	...	£12 6 1

ITEMS.

Seagoe and Hacknahay Schools will re-open on Tuesday, August 5th, at 9-30 a.m. A punctual attendance of the pupils is requested.

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Seagoe is represented at the International Exhibition in Ghent, Belgium, which is being held this year. Miss G. Atkinson, of Eden Villa, has sent an Art exhibit.

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Portadown is, we believe, also represented by an exhibit of Linen made in Messrs. Greaves' Factory.

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The Rev. W. Galway has been spending his holidays in Seagoe Parish, of which he is a native. We heartily congratulate him on his recent appointment to the charge of the important parish of Port Glasgow, Scotland.

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Messrs. Purdy and Millard of Belfast, are engaged in preparing and carving the oak panelling for the chancel of Seagoe Church.

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The accounts for this year's Sunday School Excursion have been made out by the efficient Hon. Treas. Mr C. J. Collins, and we are glad to say there is no deficit; the receipts balance the expenditure.

Hymns for August.

"Sing ye to the Lord."

Aug. 3rd.—M.—3, Through all the dangers of the night; 43, God reveals his presence; 110, Light of them that sit in darkness; 358, Lamb of God whose dying love. E.—46, Jesus, where'er Thy people meet; 134, No, not despairingly; 247, O, worship the King; 273, Guide us, O thou great Jehovah; 332, Let me be with Thee.

Aug. 10.—M.—9, Lord, hear the voice of my complaint; 285, Nearer, my God, to Thee; 541, Oh! my Saviour, hear me; 577, To the Eternal King. E.—344, For all Thy Saints, O Lord; 556, Take up thy cross; 606, Lord of the living harvest; 221, Gracious Spirit, love divine; 26, God the Father.

Aug. 17.—M. 31, This day, by Thy creating word; 272, From Egypt lately come; 213, When all Thy mercies, O my God; 249, Praise my soul. E.—254, Come thou Fount; 318, Jesu, my Lord; 335, The Church's one Foundation; 200, Thou art the way; 17, The day is past and over.

Aug. 24.—M.—231, Ye boundless realms of joy; 237, Lord, Thy word abideth; 261, Oh! for a thousand; 631, I love to hear the story. E.—38, With one consent; 279, I'm but a stranger; 301, Through the Love; 330, Who is there like Thee; 557, There is no night in heaven.

Aug. 31.—M.—630, Fair waved the golden corn; 331, Oh! Jesus, source of calm repose; 37, Lord of the worlds above; 45, Great Shepherd of Thy

people, hear. E.—479, Again, as evening's shadows fall; 625, Angel voices ever singing; 472, Shall we gather; 474, God of Love; 64, Lord, now we part.

PARISH REGISTER FOR JULY.

Baptisms.

"Except ye become as little children."

Baptized on Saturday, July 5th, 1913.

Beckett—Walter Hamilton, son of Robert James and Jessie Fitzpatrick Beckett, Tamnifglasson.

Sponsors—Robert James Beckett—Jessie Fitzpatrick Beckett.

Loney—Herbert Paul, son of Samuel James and May Loney, Edenderry.

Sponsors—Jane Sharpe—May Loney.

McLoughlin—Harold Leslie, son of Charles and Elizabeth McLoughlin.

Sponsors—Priscilla Smart—Elizabeth McLoughlin.

Ruddell—Ivy Kathleen, daughter of Thomas and Mary Ruddell, Lisniskey.

Sponsors—Martha Smart—Mary Ruddell.

Brown—Ethel Edna, daughter of John and Sarah Brown, Edenderry.

Sponsors—John Brown—Sarah Brown.

Marriages.

"Love is of God."

Livingston and Mills—July 9th, 1913, William James Livingston, Killicomaine, to Edith Mills, Portadown.

White and Johnston—July 14th, 1913, William John White, Lylo, to Julia Johnston, Edenderry.

Burials.

"Asleep in Jesus."

Robinson—Margaret Robinson, Tamnificarbet, aged 7 weeks.

Moneypenny—July 23rd, David Moneypenny, Edenderry, aged 80 years.

Nature Notes.

We imagine very few of our people have seen Owls in this neighbourhood, but three weeks ago an Owl was seen flying along the Banks of the Bann not far from the "Yellow Hill," near Derryvore. The Owl is such a curious bird in its appearance and habits that perhaps some local naturalist will endeavour to find out its habitat in this district.

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Hedgehogs are fairly numerous in this neighbourhood. They are very timid, but become very tame when in captivity, and are very useful in devouring all the snails and slugs they can find. At night when moving along through the hedgerows they make a curious croaking noise by which their presence can be easily detected.

That interesting little bird familiarly known as "Willie Wag-tail" is to be seen in large numbers this year. Its nest is built usually in a stone wall, and several have this year made their nests in the walls surrounding old Seagoe graveyard, and seem as bright as can be notwithstanding their melancholy surroundings. The Wagtail has a curious habit of flying in front of a person and perching at short intervals evidently with the object of diverting attention from their nesting place.

Old Seagoe Notes.

Townlands in the Parish of Seagoe.

N.B.—Wherever the letter "B" occurs it refers to M.S. Notes by Lt.-Col. Wm. Blacker.

Ballyhannon—Hannigan's Town.—(Blacker).

Ballymacrandal—Town of Randal's son—Randal a common name in the O'Neill family, in which territory this townland is situate.—(B.)

Ballynacor—(1) Town of the border—former kind of boundary between the uplands and the range of bog in the district of Moyntags.—(B.) (2) Baile-nacorra—town of the Weir.—(Joyce.)

Balteagh—Town of the habitation of, or adjoining, the Ford.—(B.)

Bocombra—(1) The hut of companionship.—(B.)

(2) The hut at the meeting of streams.—Todd. Acc to Joyce (1st series, p. 453), the affix bo means a cow.

Breagh—(1) eminence with level top.—(B.) (2) derived from Bréach, a wolf.—Joyce.

Carne—Heap of Stones.

Carrickblacker—Blacker's Ford, or Weir: from Carra, a Weir, as in Carrick-on-Shannon.

Clanrolla—"The Meadow Recess." Literally—The hollow of the swathe.—(B.)

Derryvore—Daire-more the great oak wood.—(B)

Drumgor—"The Goat-ridge."—(B.)

Drumlisnagrilly—Drum-lis-na-grillagh "The Ridge of the Fort of the Dagger, a short sword. Traditional site of battle between the Danes and Sept of of the O'Neils in 941.

Drumnacany—"The yellow-headed Ridge,"—once covered with furze, yellow in its season.—(B.)

Drumnagoon—Probably same as Drumgoon—"The Ridge of the calves."—(J.)

Edenderry—Eudan-daيرة, "The Hillbrow of the Oak-wood."—(J.)

Hacknahay or Aghnaghay—"The plain adjoining the Knock, or eminence." It is a level tract of land winding round the sides of townland of Knock.—(B.)

Kernan—Same as Carnane and Carnaun or "little Carn."

Killycomain—"The wood of the Compact or Treaty."—(B.) Coman [cummaun] is the curved stick used in hurling. Possibly this may be the derivation of termination of word. See Joyce, 1st ser. p. 206.

Kilvergan—"The Wood of the little Gap, a Pass,"—(B.)

Knock—Cnoc—a hill.

Knockmena—(1) The hill of Minerals.—(B.) (2) Perhaps same as Knockmanagh, "Middle Hill."—See Joyce, 2nd ser. p. 93.

Levagherey—Probable anglicised form of Lahe-sheragh, or "Half plowland." Ref. to some ancient local division. (See Joyce, 1st Ser. p. 233.)

Lisniskey—Lios-au-uisge, "The Fort of the Water."—(J.)

Lylo—Meaning unknown.

Seagoe—Suidhe-Goba, The seat of Gobha, or Gobanus, about 639 A.D.

Tamnificarbet—(1) Tamhnach-feadha-carbait, "The field of the wood of the church."—Joyce. (2) "The Hill of Watching."—(B.)

Tamnifiglassan—(1) Tamhnach-feadha-Glassan—"The field of Glassan's Wood."—Joyce. (2) "The Hill of the Green Brook."—(B.)

Tarsan—"A place where a river is swam across." This townland is bounded on the West by the Bann.—(B.)

Authorities for the above meanings:—

1. Joyce, Irish Names of Places, 1st & 2nd Series.
- 2.—Lt.-Col. Wm. Blacker, MS. Notes on Seagoe

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Kilvergan Cross Roads, 1845.—Kilvergan is a very interesting townland to Seagoe people for many reasons, but chiefly because it was one of the two Townlands which formed part of the glebe lands of Seagoe before the Disendowment of the Church of Ireland in 1870, the other Townland being Lower Seagoe. It is also interesting because of the old Corn Mills which formerly existed there and caused it to be known as the Low Mills. One of the old Millstones is still to be seen forming the doorstep of one of the houses in the neighbourhood. When the Corn Mills ceased to exist a Lime Kiln was built and in course of time came into the possession of the Rector of Seagoe, the Ven. Archdeacon Saurin, but it proved, we believe, a very unprofitable investment. Everyone who passes through Kilvergan admires the fine approach from the bridge. The road is very carefully made, and the surface and curve are perfect. This part of the road was constructed in the year 1845. Before that year the road ran across the Quarry. A wooden bridge is marked on the Ordnance Survey Map at this particular place. In the year 1845 the present road was made and the stream from the quarry was diverted into a new cutting and the present bridge was constructed. Some of the older inhabitants of the district remember the old road, and the making of the new one. The funeral of Mrs. Anne Fox, of Belfast, (an aunt of Mr John Lavery, Kilvergan), was the first funeral to pass over the new road, that was on Feb. 2nd, 1845, so it is just 70 years since these changes were made.