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'For King and Country !

FIFTH LIST OF NAMES.

A List of the Names of Residents in the Parish of Seagoe, or attached thereto, who have answered to the call of King and Country, and have Volunteered to serve anywhere, at home or abroad, during the War.

Richard Flannigan, Canadians Thomas Flannigan, Canadians George Fleming, R.I.F. Ernest Hall, South Irish Horse. David Gregston, Highland Light Infantry. Thomas Gregston, R.I.F. William Gregston, R.I.F. Isaac Milligan, R.I.R. Thomas Lyness, R.I.F. Hamilton J. Robb, Lieut. R.M.L.I. H.M.S. Sutlej. (Accidentally drowned in Queenstown Harbour, on Nov. 11th, 1914.) T. G. Shillington, 2nd Lieut. R.I.F.

First Four Lists Fifth List One Hundred and Sixty=Nine Names. Eleven Names. TOTAL—180 NAMES.

The War Diary of a Seagoe Trooper.

[Through the kindness of Driver Isaac Walker, of Seagoe Farm, who has been at the front serving with the North Irish Horse since the war began, we are enabled to publish the Diary which he has kept. In accordance with the requirements of Military Law the names of the towns and villages are omitted. Driver Walker is spending a short time at home, and looks in good form. He wears the fur-lined overcoat which has been served out to the men at the front.]

The North-Irish Horse was mobilized on Aug. 6th, 1914. We went to Belfast and stopped overnight in George's Street. Next morning we trained to Dublin where we stayed nine days, training in Richmond Barracks.

Set sail from thence and landed in Havre, France, after forty-eight hours sailing. Stopped in Havre one day and took train for ______. Stayed there two days, and then marched 25 miles by road to ______, which is quite a big city. Stayed there twenty-four hours, and then marched 25 miles by night to______and arrived there by 4 a.m. We stopped there twenty-six hours, and left at 6 a.m., and marched to______, landing there about 5 p.m. Stopped in______about thirty-six hours, and advanced a short distance out, when we returned again and came back and were picketed out all night. We were a short distance off the enemy. Heard a few shots fired, but no injury to anyone. We started the next morning about 5 a.m., and, marching through intense heat all day, arrived in D——— about 7 p.m. covering about thirty-six miles. Stayed there until the following day about 6 p.m., and then marched out a short distance and were picketed, watching some Aeroplanes. Started then about 4 a.m. next morning and advanced about ten miles out and entrained for——on September 3rd. Remained there until September 9th for rest and then commenced advancing.

We left on Wednesday morning 9th September, and marched all day, arriving in C-—— about 7 p.m. Stayed there thirty-eight hours and then marched northwards about twenty-five miles and picketed the horses in an orchard. The next morning about 4 a.m, we resumed our march towards F——. It was raining very heavily when we arrived, and continued so most of the night of the 12th September. On the morning of the 13th we went out scouting after some Germans, which were supposed to be in the district, but could not find them.

On Thursday, 16th September, we again scouted a big wood, until we got well wet, but could see nothing.

Friday and Saturday, 18th and 19th Sept. Escort parade. Guarding lead horses.

Monday, 21st September again scouting to no effect.

Tuesday, 22nd September-Rest and inspection of horses for glanders.

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Sept. 23rd, 24th, 25th—Exercise of horses. On the evening of the 26th, part of our troop came in from a Farm-house after shooting two Germans, an officer and a man.

Saturday, 26th-Exercise of horses.

Sunday, 27th—First Church Parade at 9-30 a.m. Monday, 28th—First inoculation. Tuesday 29th to October 3rd—Exercise and

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Sunday, 4th October—Divine Service and day's rest for horses.

On Monday, 5th, we had a turn-out in full marching order for inspection by Lord Cole.

Wednesday, 6th and 7th---Exercise of horses.

Thursday, 8th October – We went off by train about mid-day and landed in A—— about 4 p.m. on 9th October.

On **Saturday**, 10th-Quick turn-out in full marching order. Half of the men were left to work in the stables.

Left A_____ on Tuesday, 13th October, and came by rail to _____. On the next day we had two changes before we got into suitable Barracks.

On the night of the 15th October we received a Presentation of a pipe, soap and a pencil to each one. We then started from _____ on 20th October and marched to H_____. Stayed there till 4 a.m. next morning, when we resumed our march and arrived in _____, where we came in contact with Sergeant-Major Blakley and Lord Massereene.

On Sunday, October 18th—That night we went out to Bridge-guarding, and remained at that job until Saturday, 24th October. That same day we came from the bridges to B——. Stopped there until the next morning, when we resumed our march back to——.

October 25th to 29th-Exercise of horses.

November 1st-Divine Service at 9-30 a.m. in Barracks.

On November 2nd we had another turn-out in full marching order.

From Nov. 2nd till Nov. 8th—Exercise of horses.

November 8th-Church Parade at 9-30 a.m.

Wednesday, 11th—Turn-out in full marching order.

November 17th—Thirty-two men turned out as Escort at Lord Roberts' funeral.

On Sunday, 29th November, we were marched to Church, but there was no room when we got there.

On December 11th we had another turn out in marching order for inspection by Lord Cole, to see if each one was complete in kit.

The Ven. Archdeacon Hobson, M.A

We offer our hearty congratulations to the Rector of Portadown, on his appointment by the Primate to the dignity of the Archdeaconry of Armagh. The people of Seagoe will join with their neighbours across the Bann in wishing the Archdeacon much blessing in his new and responsible office.

THE SEASON OF LENT.

The Season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 17th It is seldom that Lent finds us as a nation in the midst of such a crisis as now exists. The call comes to us with redoubled emphasis this year to plead with God in public and private worship that He will pardon our many and grievous sins, both those which stain our national life, and those which hinder the working of the Divine Spirit in our individual lives.

The following is a list of special preachers, so far as at present arranged, who will take part in the services in the Parish Church during Lent. Sunday Evenings, at 7 p.m.--

February 21st—Temperance Sermon. Rev. G. Bloomer, B.A,

" 28th—Very Rev. the Dean of Dromore.

March 7th-Rev. J. M'Endoo, M.A.

, 14th-Rev. C. Dempsey, M.A.

Wednesday Evenings, at 8 p.m. -

February 17th – (Ash Wednesday.) The Rector. ,, 24th – Rev. R. S. Morrison, B.D.

March 3rd-Rev. J. G. Martin, B.A.

" 10th-Rev. R. D. Patterson, B.A.

" 17th-(St. Patrick's Day). The Rector.

" 24th-Rev. F. J. Halahan, M.A.

" 31st Rev. O. W. Scott, M.A.

On Ash Wednesday, Morning Prayer with Litany, and a Commination Service will be said in the Parish Church at 11-30 a.m; there will also be a Service at 8 p.m

BAND OF HOPE,

A meeting of the Band of Hope was held in the Parochial Hall on Friday evening, 29th ult. Rev. G. Bloomer presided, and there was a very large attendance. The following programme was submitted —Chorus, "We love to boast our Freedom," the Band of Hope Choir; recitation, "The Drunkard's Home," May Hynds; solo, "The Sinner and the Song," Sam Magee; double duet, "A Jolly Good Fellow," Agnes Johnston, Minnie Watson, Sarah Martin, Teenie Flannigan; violin solo, Harriet Gilroy; dialogue, "Going to see the Time," Minnie Watson and Maggie Rainey; chorus, the Junior Girls; recitation, "The Reason is here," May Best; solo, "When to Say No," May Hynds; chorus, " Sign To-Night," the Choir; dialogue, " Curing a Toper," Sarah Martin, Agnes Johnston, Emily Cox, Sam Magee, Moses M'Kerr and Willie Major.

The programme was very much enjoyed, especially the dialogues. Mr. Chambers had charge of the programme. The Rev. J. Gerald Martin, Senior Curate of Portadown, gave a very helpful and instructive temperance address, which was listened to with close attention. At the close of the meeting eighteen names were added to the roll of members.

Baptisms.

Forsythe-January 2nd, 1915, in the Parish Church, Florence, daughter of James Henry Forsythe (Private 9th R.I.F.), and Elizabeth Forsythe, of Seagoe

PRIVATE BAPTISMS.

- Stevenson January 20th, 1915, George Annesley, son of George Stevenson (Private, Royal Garrison Artillery, British Expeditionary Force, France), and Elizabeth Stevenson. of Edenderry.
- Major-January 29th, 1915, Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Major (Private, 9th R I.F., Holywood), and Mary Jane Major, of Edenderry

Marriage. M'Cabe and Thornberry—February 3rd, Thomas McCabe, of Lower Seagoe, to Mary Thornberry, of Portadown.

Burials.

- Macauley-January 11th, William Macauley, of Edenderry, aged 31 years.
- Quinn-January 12th, John Quinn, of Drumnacanvey, aged 76 years.
- Killow-January 21st, Thomas John Killow, of Belfast, aged 52 years.
- Devine-January 24th, Sarah Elizabeth Devine, of Knock, aged 74 years. Honeyford—January 27th, Elizabeth Honeyford, of
- Edenderry, aged 111 years.
- Guy-February 1st, Sarah Jane Guy, of Tarson, aged 30 years.
- Shanks-February 1st, Evaline Shanks, of Edenderry, aged 51 years.

We regret to record this month a long list of Parishioners who have passed from the Church militant here on earth to the Church Triumphant beyond. Very sad were the deaths of Elizabeth Honeyford, of James' Street, one of our Edenderry Sunday School children, who was present at her Day School on Friday, apparently in perfect health, and after a brief illness passed to her rest on the following Monday. Eveline Shanks, also of James' Street, had a tragic end. Playing at the kitchen fire on last Friday evening her clothing caught fire, with the result that she was severely burned, and succumbed to her injuries on the following morning. A tragedy like this should remind parents of the necessity of having a fire screen firmly fixed in front of the fireplace, where young children are present. This precaution would save many a young life. Sarah Jane Guy, of Tarson, had a long and painful illness which she bore with unfaltering patience and resignation to the Divine will. Her quiet confidence, even in the face of death, was a testimony to the depth and reality of her faith. We sincerely regret to record the death of Mr. Watson Walker, of Seagoe Farm, who passed away after a brief but trying illness on Tuesday, February 2nd. Mr. Walker was very highly esteemed by all who knew him, and his death will leave a blank in Seagoe and the neighbourhood which it will be hard to fill. We offer our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Walker and her family in their sad loss.

Our Advertisements.

People often say they don't read Advertisements, but we believe the readers of this Magazine, who are interested in its welfare, will carefully read the advertisements which appear on the inside of the cover and on the inserted double page. You are not compelled to buy from the firms who advertise in Seagoe Parish Magazine, but we are confident that if you give them a share of your patronage you will not be disappointed. It may not be known to all our readers that each copy of Seagoe Magazine costs twopence to publish, but we are enabled to sell it at one penny because of the help we receive from those who are good enough to advertise in its columns. A great deal of money is spent now-a-days on Advertising, but all advertising is not remunerative. "The Daily Mail" has recently made a point of publishing the actual number of copies of the paper which are sold each day, so that those who advertise in it may know into how many hands each copy of the paper actually goes, and they say that that is the true test of a good advertising medium. If we apply to this Magazine the same test it works out with a good result to those who have helped us by their advertisements, for out of the 350 copies of the Magazine issued each month 330 copies are sold, the balance, consisting of 17 copies, which are given free to Advertisers, and 3 which are reserved for binding. There are never any copies left unsold. Thus each advertiser in this Magazine has 4,200 copies of his advertisement printed and circulated each year, and if we estimate that each copy is read by at least six people, his advertisement comes under the notice of over 2,000 people each month, or 25,000 each year.

Church Attendance Gards.

SEAGOE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

1st Rank and Gold Seal-39 Mary J. Atkinson, May Best, Isabella Best, Minnie M'Cormick, Willie Holland, Joe Kelly.

1st Rank-35-39. None.

2nd Rank—30-35. Maggie Mathers. 3rd Rank—25-30. Henny Porter, Caroline Magee, Rachel Turkington, Mary J. Webb.

4th Rank-20-25. Eva Webb.

CARNE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

1st Rank-35-39. None.

2nd Rank-30-35. Margt. Costello, Teresa Ramsay.

3rd Rank-25-30. Hannah B. Caddell, Wm. J. Costello, Ambrose Hewitt, Ellie Hewitt.

4th Rank-20-25. Atkinson Connolly, M. Simpson. EDENDERRY SUNDAY SCHOOL.

1st Rank and Gold Seal-39. Sarah Martin.

1st Rank-35-39. None.

2nd Rank.—30-35. Emily Cox. 3rd Rank.—25-30. Arthur Allen, Robt. Crawford, Robert Watson, Willie Best, Minnie Crawford, Hannah Johnston, Dinah M'Nally.

4th Rank-20-25. Willie Cox, Teenie Flannigan, Annie Walker, Maggie Forde, Charlotte Allen, May Best, Agnes Johnston, Jemima Matchett.

Sunday School Social.

In a worthy spirit of self-denial all our Sunday Schools have decided to forego their usual Prizes this year, in order that the money may go to the needs of Handsome Certificatesour Soldiers and Sailors. Red for attendance, Blue for answering, and Gold, Illuminated, for Church Attendance, are being issued in lieu of Books They are a novelty, and seem to be highly appreciated by the recipients. The certificates are being distributed at Socials held in the various Schools, as follows--

Carne-February 1st, at 7-30. Hacknahay-Feb. 5th, at 7. Levaghery-Monday, Feb. 8th. Edenderry—Tuesday, Feb. 9tb, at 7-30 p.m. Seagoe— Thursday, Feb. 11th, at 7-30 p.m. Drumgor— Monday, Feb. 15th, at 7-30 p.m.

Bible Class Social,

On Shrove Tuesday, February 16th, the Annual Bible Class Social will take place in Seagoe Parochial School. The members of the Classes have decided to hand over to the Red Cross Society, or other War Funds the money that would otherwise have been spent in prizes. In war time there is often much national depression, and we think it would be a mistake to suppress all local gatherings, and therefore it has been decided to have the usual Bible Class Reunion. The price of the tickets will be sixpence each, and only those whose names are on the Bible Class Rolls for 1914 will be admitted. Complimentary tickets will be sent to all the members of the Bible Classes who have enlisted for the war, and we hope a large number of them will be present. Application will be made to the military authorities to get them special leave. If they can come there will be more "Khaki" seen in Seagoe than ever before. The proceeds of the Social will be divided equally between the Red Cross Society and the Bible Class Funds.

A Destructive Fire.

We sympathise very much with Mr. and Mrs. W. J McDowell on the serious fire which destroyed so much of their property on the farm at Levaghery, on Tuesday, February 2nd. The flames were first noticed in the large hayshed at 3 p.m., and so rapidly did the fire spread that two dogs, which were chained in the shed, and also five pigs were burnt to death before any attempt could be made to rescue them. Fortunately Mr. McDowell was insured, otherwise the loss would have been very heavy. This is the second hay fire which has taken place in that neighbourhood within a short time. Mr. Jones, of Ballymacrandle, had a large rick of hay destroyed a few weeks ago, and it was unfortunately not insured.

OFFERTORIES. Sundays-Morning, £8 6 4 ... 2 10 Evening, 3 Week days ... 0 10 8 Total. £11 7 3 The above includes £4 5s 6d for Red Cross

Society, and £3 0s 6d for Foreign Missions.

ITEMS.

We ask the Magazine Distributers who have not yet paid in their accounts for last year to kindly do so without delay, and also the sums received for the sale of the Parish Almanacs. Prompt payment is a great help

We regret to hear that Mrs. Daunt, of Knocknamuckley Rectory, has met with a serious accident, having sustained a fractured leg through being knocked down by a cyclist when leaving Knocknamuckley Church after the service, on Tuesday evening, January 31st.

A Service was recently held in the waiting-room at Portadown Station for the men employed at the station. Hymns were heartily sung, and an Address was given by the Rector. The meeting was well attended. Such brief gatherings held in a busy centre during spare moments help to keep us all more closely in touch with spiritual things.

We welcome back again to this neighbourhood Mrs. and Miss Macoun, formerly of Mount Pleasant, Drumgor, but for some years past resident in Bangor. Mrs. Macoun has taken a house at Parkmount, * Portadown.

The men of Kitchener's Army are sometimes found fault with for over-indulgence in strong drink, but this is not certainly the case with the men from Portadown, as the following fact will make clear-Between September 24th, 1914, and January 24th, 1915, amongst a company of 264 men, stationed at Clandeboye and Victoria Barracks, Belfast, only 3 cases of drunkenness came under the notice of the Military Authorities, and two of these cases concerned the same individual.

Mr. Alan Bell, the new R.M., has come to live at Ashton, Lurgan Road. We welcome him to the Parish. He comes 'a long, long way' from Claremorris, Co. Galway.

A Meeting for the Revision of the List of the General Vestry of Seagoe Parish was held in Seagoe School, on Tuesday, February 2nd. Another meeting for the closing of the List will be held (D.V.) in Seagoe School, on Thursday, February 25th.

A fine monument of Aberdeen granite has just been erected in Seagoe graveyard by the family of Ruddell, of Knockramer. It occupies a conspicuous position near the entrance to Old Seagoe Graveyard. We are glad to notice that the old gravestone has been replaced beside the new monument. In every case this should be done, as the old gravestones form a most interesting relic of the past.

Helping the Soldiers. Hacknahay G.F.S. which meets fortnightly on Tuesday evenings at Miss Calvert's house, Breagh, The has been doing good work for the soldiers. girls have already made and sent to the front 9 pairs of socks, 6 mufflers, 3 pairs of mittens.