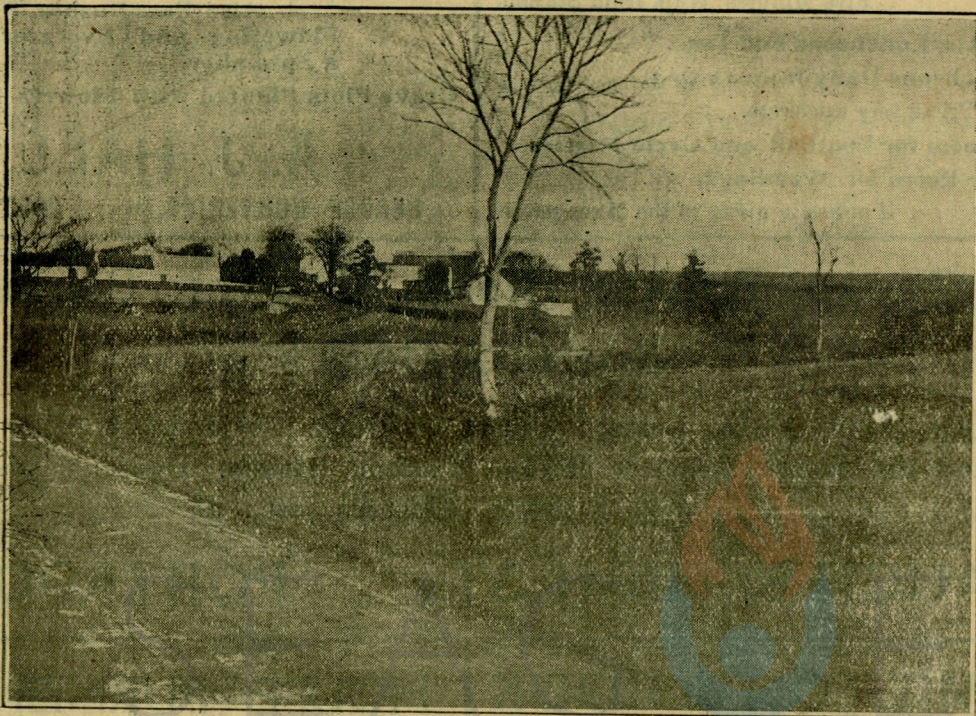


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## KILVERGAN.

In the old days, before the Church was disendowed, Seagoe Glebe consisted of two townlands—Lower Seagoe, containing 290 acres, and Kilvergan, containing 217 acres. Kilvergan lies about  $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles north-east of Seagoe Church. It is said that a burial ground formerly existed there and possibly a Church may have been there at one time, which would account for the inclusion of the Townland in the Glebe, although so far from the Parish Church. All the houses seen in the photograph are occupied by members of the Church of Ireland. The excavation seen in the right-hand corner are portions of the lime quarries opened by Archdeacon Saurin in 1840 to provide employment for the people at a time of scarcity and distress. Kilvergan is always regarded as the most picturesque townland in Seagoe Parish.

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**A Happy New Year to all our Readers.**

## **Our Twentieth Year.**

Seagoe Parish Magazine enters its twentieth year with this issue. Some Parish Magazines are very short-lived, but Seagoe Magazine has weathered many storms, including even the stress of the Great War, and still lives and thrives. It has outlived many of its contemporaries. We have received many letters from Seagoe people in all parts of the world testifying to their interest in the Magazine and saying how eagerly they await its punctual arrival each month. It is gratifying to know that the Magazine is a link—binding together those who are separated by continents and oceans from the old Parish.

During the New Year upon which we have entered we hope to continue all the old features which have made the Magazine so popular in the past and it may be possible to introduce some new features. We will always be glad of the help and advice of our readers, especially in our Old Seagoe Notes. There are many facts relating to the past history of the Parish which might be of great interest to the readers of the Magazine if they were published. If such facts or records were written down and forwarded to the Rector he would be very glad to publish them in the columns of the Magazine.

## **Our Advertisements.**

We ask the special attention of our readers to the advertisements which appear in the Magazine. Some of our advertisers have advertised with us for the past twenty years. The Magazine possesses many qualifications as a medium for advertisements. It is eagerly bought up each month and it is unusual for any copy to remain unsold after the first day or two of publication. It is also read carefully and passed on from one to the other. Most of our readers keep their Magazines from year to year, or send them by post to their friends in distant lands. The number of advertisements is also strictly limited so that the Magazine is not overcrowded with competing advertisements. Our readers can help us greatly by reading the advertisements and getting their goods from those who advertise. Without advertisements our Magazine would be a financial failure and could not continue. We thank all those who have inserted them.

## **Our Christmas Services.**

The Services at Christmas time were brightened by the singing of the Christmas Anthem "There were Shepherds." Christmas Carols were also sung on the Sunday evening and Wednesday evening

services before Christmas. The fine, dry and frosty weather made Christmas seem more like Christmas than in other years. A generous distribution of gifts was made by the Town Council to the widows and orphans and ex-servicemen living within the urban district.

## **Men's Recreation Room.**

The Recreation Room in Bridge St. has been filled nightly by the men of Edenderry, who are taking full advantage of it. The air gun League matches have created great interest throughout the Parish. Every match has been keenly contested. Carne still heads the list. Levaghery, Seagoe, and Carne have strong teams as well as Edenderry, and practise every evening in the different centres. During December competitions have been held each Friday, and prizes have been very kindly given by the following—Mr. R. J. Uprichard, a brace of rabbits; Mr. Gibson, of Edenderry, a bottle of Lime Juice Cordial; Mr. David Jeffers, a hand lamp.

## **Christmas Shooting Competition.**

During Christmas week a great competition took place for three substantial prizes. We are greatly obliged to Mr. W. J. Green, of Edenderry, who most generously presented a 20 shilling bag of flour as first prize. The second prize was a rich Christmas cake, and the third prize a box of chocolate. After a keen struggle Mr. Jack Wright was declared the winner of the bag of flour. Tom Liggett shot for him and made the splendid score of five bull's eyes in succession. The second prize was won by W. Hewitt, and the third prize by James Ruddell. We are in need of more games for the Recreation Room, also newspapers. They might be sent to the secretary, Mr. Thomas Metcalfe, Carrickblacker Road, or to Mr. Jack Wright, and will be thankfully received.

## **Letter from Rev. W. R. Crichton.**

Mr. Crichton sends us the following interesting letter from Madras. His many friends will enjoy reading it:—

Fort St. George, Madras,

30th November, 1925.

Dear Canon Archer,—Just a line to wish you a Happy Christmas and New Year. I meant to write to you long ago to thank you for a copy of the Parish Magazine, but I have been very busy for the last four months.

In April I was elected Hon. Clerical Secretary of the Madras Diocesan Council, which corresponds to your Diocesan Synod in Ireland. This entailed a lot of work as it is a new organisation and practically everything had to be worked out from the beginning. In addition to all this I had to arrange hospitality for the country members, and I was also



appointed Hon. Secretary of the Sacred Synod, a body composed of bishop and clergy only. The work is particularly interesting to me as we are making provision for the disestablishment of the Church of England in India, which may take place in 1929. Of course it will not affect Government Chaplains, but we are all doing what we can to secure the welfare of the future Church of India. The Indian Christians shew a very sound grasp of essentials; their great weakness seems to be a lack of potential bishops. At present there is no one up to the standard of Dornakal.

When all this was over, the actual work is not finished yet. I had to arrange for the celebration of the 245th Anniversary of the Dedication of my church. This was a fine function. The Governor rolled up in his State Coach with bodyguard, etc.; the music was supplied by our band and a massed choir of 150 voices. As for the congregation, I never saw people packed so tightly before. Some stood in the aisles, and the windows were festooned.

My next excitement will be to move off to Wellington in February. It is a military station quite close to Ooty, where I was in 1921-22. Some people say it is the best Hill Station in India, but I prefer Ooty. What attracts me most is that I shall be Chaplain to the Ulster Rifles, and in all probability will know some of them. I have two or three Portadown lads here in the Lancashire Fusiliers, but they belong to a younger generation than the one I knew.

I almost forgot to say that this move of mine cancels my leave next March. The bishop was too short of men to let me away, although I have a lot of furlough due to me, and so is giving me the Hills to enable me to bring the family out. Probably I shall not go home till the end of 1928 or the beginning of 1929. The climate of Wellington is much better than the average climate of Ireland. My family is quite fit now and will join me in spring.

You had better ascertain the Madras wave-length very soon. Some enthusiasts here maintain that they pick up 2LO. I think I told you that I broadcasted the first sermon for the Madras Radio Club. Probably it was the first sermon broadcasted in India. Hitherto the apparatus has been too expensive to broadcast services from a church. India does not yet provide all the amenities of civilisation.

I must close now as it is about midnight. With best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.—Yours ever,  
W. R. CRICHTON.

### **Good Wishes from Nebraska.**

The Rev. J. N. Mackenzie sends us all good wishes from St. Stephen's, Grand Island, Nebraska, U.S.A. They are contained in a prettily printed leaflet which he circulates through his Parish.

The Rector has also received good wishes for Christmas from Mr. Thomas England, of Brooklyn, formerly Churchwarden of Seagoe.

### **Seagoe in Chicago.**

Mrs. Elizabeth Kerr, 17 Palestine St., Belfast, formerly of Seagoe, sends us the following interesting letter which she has received from her recently married daughter in Chicago, Mrs. Youngdahl. We commend its contents to our Sunday School teachers and to our finance committee. It contains valuable advice:—

Dear Mother,—I have been going to the Church School Teachers' lectures for five Monday nights, and had to write up the examination last night. It was a couple of days late, on account of our Iowa trip, but I hope the Reverend Mr. Simms will accept it anyway. If you go to 12 sets of lectures, you become a full accredited teacher in the National Association, which means you could teach in any part of the country if you wanted to. My Sunday School class is still going strong, with the best attendance of any of the classes, and high marks. The kids surely are interested in the work I am making up for them. I borrowed a book from Mr. Annable to get more material from. Will give them a lesson next Sunday on the vessels used in the Holy Communion, etc., which I never learned in Sunday School myself. All they get in the other classes are Bible stories over and over, the same ones, until they get tired of them and stay at home, whereas I am giving them a course of my own on all the services in the prayer book, from cover to cover, and the parts the minister, bishop or deacon takes in each service, and the acolytes, choir, etc., so that now most of them can find every prayer, chant or psalm, gospel, epistle, etc. in every service, which is more than most of the adults can do, because it never seems to be taught to anyone, and they drift along all their lives without ever knowing such things, or else pick up parts of it here and there.

They have started an "every member canvass" in Holy Trinity with a corps of captains and lieutenants. The finance committee members are the captains, and each captain has five lieutenants. Each of the latter have to keep track of five church members, that is, to get them to make pledges, come to Church every Sunday, advise them of all social doings, such as bunco parties, bazaars, etc.—in other words, ride herd on them. The minister appointed me as a lieutenant, and I have to keep a line on our own family; Mrs. Carson's who is Mrs. Dennett's sister; Mr. John Robinson's who is Geo. Robinson's brother; Mrs. Belfry's who is Mrs. Smith's sister, and another family by the name of Siry.

### **Encouragement.**

Mrs. Joshua Caddell, of 34 Logie St. Govan, Glasgow, a subscriber of many years, sends us the following encouraging letter:—Dear Canon Archer—enclose postal order for 3s for the Magazine. My late husband prized it greatly, and I long for it coming every month. With all good wishes.—Yours sincerely,  
E. CADDELL



### Death of Miss Dawson.

We deeply regret to record the death of Miss Mary Dawson, which occurred after a long illness, on Tuesday, December 22nd, at Bangor, where she had resided for some time past. Miss Dawson, with her sister, Miss Cherry Dawson, did a splendid work in Seagoe Parish up to the time that Dean Dawson resigned in September, 1905. After the Dean's death they resolved to undertake Missionary work among the Indian tribes in Chili, South America. They returned home for a holiday during the War, and with great courage, sailed again in war time to a Mission station far south of South America. After working there for a time Miss Dawson became ill, and they were compelled to return home. Since then her health steadily declined until the end came. Miss Dawson had much literary ability and was highly educated, being a graduate of the late Royal University. One of her verses written during her last voyage from South America has pathetic meaning now—

"The West! the couch of the dying day,  
The end of a lifetime fair,  
But out from the West and beyond decay,  
The Homeland of all is There."

The sympathy of all in Seagoe will go out to Miss Cherry and to Dr. Dawson in the sad loss they have sustained. The funeral took place on Christmas Eve, the first part of the service being taken in Seagoe Church by the Rector and the Rev. R. W. Johnston. The remaining part of the service was held at Knocknamuckley, where the remains were interred.

### The New Envelopes.

New sets of envelopes for 1926 have been circulated through the Parish. Everyone should have a set so that on each Sunday of the year they may set apart a sum, even a small sum, to further God's work in the Parish. 450 sets are available, and more if required. The envelopes for Edenderry District are red, and for the country districts white. We ask all who take sets to increase their weekly offering this year. We are in great need of more help. If all those who give would resolve to double their offerings this year the Parish would be placed beyond the reach of its present difficulties.

If by any chance an envelope for your annual subscription has not reached you, please place it in an envelope, with name and address and amount and send it to the Hon. Treas., Mr. Hugh Stoops, Killicomaine Road, Portadown, or place it on the collecting plate in the Church at any service. The Parish accounts close on Dec. 31st of each year. The text on the envelopes this year reminds us of God's gift to us: "He loved me and gave Himself for me."

### Parish Register for December.

#### Baptisms.

The following were baptizd in Seagoe Parish Church on Dec. 5th, 1925:—

**Morton**—Martha Jane, daughter of Robert and Elizabeth Gertrude Morton, of Killicomaine.

*Sponsors*—Martha Sophia Haack, Elizabeth Gertrude Morton.

**M'Murray**—Helen, daughter of James Henry and Margaret M'Murray, of Levaghery.

*Sponsors*—Sarah Ethel M'Murray, Margt. M'Murray.

**M'Cullough**—John Hopps, son of David and Margaret Letitia M'Cullough, of Balteagh.

*Sponsors*—Elizabeth Gracey, Margaret Letitia M'Cullough.

**Jennett**—Allen, son of William and Evelyn Jennett, of Edenderry.

*Sponsors*—Gertrude Reid, Evelyn Jennett.

**Lester**—Edna Josephine, daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Lester, of Lower Seagoe.

*Sponsors*—Joseph Lester, Elizabeth Lester.

#### Marriages.

**Calvert and Ryans**—Dec. 10th, William James Calvert, of Legacurry, to Mary Ryans, of Drumnacavey.

**Kilpatrick and Gott**—Dec. 16th, Robert Kilpatrick, of Upper Seagoe, to Mary Elizabeth Gott, of Armagh.

**Hunter and Webb**—Dec. 25th., William James Graham Hunter, of Belfast, to Emma Webb, of Edenderry.

**Trail and Matthews**—Aug. 6th, at Ayr, North Queensland, Robert Trail, of Ayr, to Ellen Matthews, formerly of Edenderry

**M'Loughlin and Turkington**—Nov. 18th, at Ardmore Parish Church, by the Rev. J. Smith, M.A., Rector, Robert John M'Loughlin, of Drumnagoon, to Margaret Elizabeth Turkington, of Derryinver, Bannfoot.

**Youngdahl and Kerr**—June 24, at Holy Trinity, Union Avenue, Chicago, U.S.A., Carl H. Youngdahl, of Chicago, to Anna Kerr, formerly of Seagoe.

#### Burials.

**Magee**—Nov. 15th, Eliza Magee, of Edenderry, aged 75 years.

**Forbes**—Dec. 3rd, Sarah Anne Forbes, of Tarson, aged 79 years.

**M'Donald**—Dec. 5th, Richard M'Donald, of Edenderry, aged 1 year.

**M'Donald**—Dec. 11th, Sophia M'Donald, of Edenderry, aged 4 years.

**Dawson**—Dec. 24th, at Bangor, Mary Louisa Dawson, formerly of Seagoe, aged 57 years.

**Collins**—Dec. 31st, Mary Jane Collins, of Kernan, aged 71 years.



**CLERGY :**

Rev. Canon Archer, B.D., The Rectory, Seagoe, Portadown.  
 Rev. R. W. Johnston, L.Th., 51 William Street Portadown.

**CHURCHWARDENS :**

Mr. Robert Price (Rector's).  
 Mr. Thomas Martin (People's).

**Thanks.**

We acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of 10s from Mr. James Vance, of Bridge St., towards the Poor Fund of Seagoe Parish.

**Jumble Sale.**

A most successful Jumble Sale was held in the Parochial Hall on Friday, December 18th, at 7. It was organised by Levaghery Sunday School, and realised £15. Everything was sold in quite a short time. A calf, kindly presented by Mr. George Jennett, of Breagh, was shot for and won by Fred Carville.

**Drumgor Carol Service.**

A Carol Service was held at Drumgor Church Hall on Sunday, Dec. 13th, at 4 o'clock. A large choir, trained by Miss Wilson, of Knockmena, sang carols very nicely. There was a large attendance.

**SERVICES.**

**THE PARISH CHURCH.**

**HOLY COMMUNION**—1st Sunday after Morning Prayer; 3rd Sunday at 8 a.m., and on the Chief Festivals.

**HOLY BAPTISM**—1st Saturday of Month at 3 p.m., and during any Service in the Parish Church, if notice be given; Two Sponsors at least are required, and they must be Confirmed members of the Church. Churchings are held at each Baptism. Mothers are expected to bring a thank-offering. (See Book of Common Prayer.)

**MORNING PRAYER**—Sundays and Chief Festivals 11.30 a.m.

**EVENING PRAYER**—Sundays 7 p.m., Wednesdays 8 p.m.

**DISTRICT SERVICES.**

**Hacknahay**—Last Sunday of Month at 3.30 p.m.

**Drumgor**—Second Sunday of Month at 4 p.m.

**MARRIAGES** must be performed between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. Licenses are issued by Rev Canon Hannon, Rectory, Lurgan. Due notice (48 hours) must be given to the Rector of intended weddings. **FEES**—By License—Labourers 5/-, Tradesmen 10/-, Merchants and Farmers 15/-, Professional £1. By Banns 5/-. **FUNERALS** will be attended by the Clergy if proper notice be given. **SICK CASES** should be notified to the Clergy without delay. **FEES FOR CERTIFICATES** BAPTISM, 3/7; Children (Factory), 1/- and 2/- (non-residents); **MARRIAGE**, 3/7. An extra search fee is chargeable in certain cases

A copy of the Magazine will be sent post free to any subscriber for 3s per annum.

**Regret.**

We regret to announce the death of Miss Eliza Magee, one of the oldest and best friends of Seagoe. She passed away after a few days' illness and lies in the Old Ground at Seagoe, which she loved. Much sympathy is expressed at the sad loss sustained by Mr. and Mrs. M'Donald, of Florence Court, in the death from measles of two of their little children.

**Marriage.**

The marriage of Miss Anna M. Kerr and Mr. Carl E. Youngdahl took place in the Church of Holy Trinity, Union Ave., Chicago, Ill., on Wednesday evening, June 24. The wedding was indeed a very beautiful one. After the ceremony a reception was held in the parish hall, where the bride and groom were greeted by their many friends. Anna is one of our most faithful members—our Assistant Organist and Church School teacher. The happy couple spent their honeymoon touring to Washington, D. C. The parishioners wish them much happiness in their new life.

**CLASSES, &c.**

**ADULT CLASSES**—Sundays at 10 a.m.  
 For Men—Edenderry and Seagoe. For Women—Seagoe School.

**SUNDAY SCHOOLS**—10 a.m. Edenderry Parochial Hall and Seagoe School. 3 p.m. Seagoe, Edenderry Parochial Hall, Levaghery, Hacknahay, Carne, Drumgor.

Men's Recreation Room, Bridge St., open every night from 7 p.m.

Seagoe C.L. Brigade in Edenderry Parochial Hall, on Tuesdays at 8 p.m.

Mothers' Union, Edenderry 1st Tuesday, at 4 p.m.

**DAY SCHOOL**—Seagoe, 9.30 a.m. Principal—Mr. S. Rennix.