

Seagoe Parish Magazine.

JULY, 1915.

AT THE FRONT.

The following is an Alphabetical List, revised and enlarged, of the Names of Men from Seagoe Parish who are at present Fighting at the Front, or who have taken part in the fighting line at some time or other since the War began.

Henry Adair, 1st Batt R.I.F.

William Henry Armstrong, 1st Batt. R.I.F., killed in the trenches, Friday, March 12th, 1915.

John Brown, R.I.F., injured.

Robert Brown, R.I.F. severely wounded at Dickebusch, Flanders.

William Jas. Brown, R.G.A., wounded, Oct., 1914.

Robt. Callison, Irish Guards, wounded, Oct., 1914.

Thomas Cordner, R.I.F., killed in action November 9th, 1914.

U. Cordner, R.F.A., wounded.

Nathaniel Dawkins, Lance Corporal, Irish Guards and Leinster Regiment, formerly of Edenderry R.I.C.

Isaac Donaldson, A.S.C., wounded.

Thomas Flannigan, Canadian Contingent.

Richd Flannigan, Canadians, severely wounded, 1915

George Fox, R.I.F., wounded.

Thomas Freeburn, R.I.F.

Willoughby Frazer, R.I.F., formerly of Edenderry.

R. Gibson, R.I.R., severely wounded, October, 1914.

Samuel Gillespie, R.I.F.

John Girvan, R.I.F.

David Gracey, Highland Light Infantry.

James Gracey, R.I.F, died of wounds at Hazebruck, on April 14th, 1915.

Joseph Gracey, R.I.F.

Samuel Gracey, Canadian Contingent.

David Gregston, Highland Light Infantry.

Robert Hara, A.S.C.

Thomas Hara, R.F.A.

Wm. Hewitt, R.I.F.

Harry Kane, H.M.S. Rinaldo, wounded October,

James Kane, R.I.R., wounded at Fromelles, May 9th, 1914.

James Lamb, R.I.F.

John J. Liggett, R.F.A.

Thomas Liggett, R.I.R.

James Liggett, Scottish Rifles.

Joseph Malcomson, R.I.R., killed in action, June, 1915.

William Malcomson, R.I.F., killed in action, May, 1915.

Robert Malcomson, R.I.R.

Edward Miller, I.G., wounded, May, 1915.

Thomas Mighton, R.I.F., killed in action May, 1915.

John Milligan, I.G., wounded, October, 1915.

William Milligan, R.I.F.

Thomas Milligan, R.F.A.

Wm. James McNeill, R.I.F, severely wounded at St. Julien, April, 1915.

Joseph McAnally, Canadians, taken prisoner May, 1915.

David McCord, R.I.F. wounded.

Robert Porter, Naval Division, Dardanelles.

Thomas Porter, "Benbow" Batt. Naval Division, Dardanelles, wounded.

George Preston, Lance Corporal, R.I.F., wounded and prisoner, September, 1914, interned at Doeberitz Camp, Berlin.

Robert Rainey, R.I.R.

Samuel Rainey, R.I.F.

Alfred Richardson, Canadians.

Hugh Koney, R.I.F., wounded and prisoner, May, 1915, interned in Münster, West Germany.

Wm. Russell, R.I.F., wounded Oct., 1914.

George Steenson, R.G.A.

Walter Vaughan, N.I.H.

Isaac Walker, N.I.H.

George Whiteside, Scots Greys, reported killed in action, October, 1914.

Wm. James Whiteside, R.I.F, severely wounded April, 1915.

James Wells, R.I.F., gassed.

The Sunday School Excursion.

We were greatly favoured by the splendid weather which made our Sunday School outing this year a great success. The threatening clouds of the previous day made many feel uneasy, but real Seagoe weather was again our lot as in so many past years.

The Superintendents, Teachers and Children assembled in the Parish Church, at 10 o'clock on the morning of June 24th, Midsummer Day. The hymn "There is a happy land" was sung, and a short service of prayer followed.

The various Sunday Schools were then ranged in a long procession, many banners being carried by the children.

Crowds of sightseers assembled along the route, and many good wishes were expressed for the success of the excursion. Johnnie Hughes with his mouth organ helped to provide us with music as he marched under the folds of the Union Jack at the head of the Procession.

Carrickblacker was reached in good time and soon the hundreds of children were swinging and racing and jumping all over the great field. A well furnished stall had been erected under the chestnut tree, and splendid sales were made at it all through the day. Everybody liked to patronise it because the profits were to go to the Ambulance Fund for the 9th Batt. R.I.F.—our own Regiment.

Two refreshments were given to the children at 12 and 5 p.m. Many rings were formed for games in the field and the fun went on until quite a late hour in the evening. Before the children left they assembled at the head of the field and in response to a signal from the Rector they gave three hearty cheers for Colonel Blacker, through whose kindness they were permitted to enjoy a day in the demesne.

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A meeting of the Excursion Committee was held in Seagoe School on Monday, June 28th, at eight when a very satisfactory report was presented by the Hon. Treasurer, Miss Atkinson. There only remains a small deficit of 5/- on the excursion, and a nett balance of £13 is in hand from the proceeds of the Stall towards the Ambulance Fund.

Anniversary Service.

Although this "Twelfth" will be observed very differently from others owing to the war, yet the religious side of our customary celebrations should not be omitted. More than ever before we need to concentrate and consecrate the forces of the Empire in a fresh spirit of humiliation and determination. God is speaking to us in this awful war with no uncertain voice. He calls us to Faith and Repentance as individuals and as a nation.

On Sunday evening, July 11th, at 7 p.m., a special Service will be held in Seagoe Parish Church. The Rector will preach. The offerings will be given to the Funds of the Enniskillen Orphan Society. The Lodges will not attend in a body, but individual members are heartily invited.

Missionary Week Collections.

[We publish a list of the amounts collected in the Parish during the recent house to house collection.]

Christina Cordy, Killicomain (part)	£0	3	8
Lily M'Kerr, Seagoe (part) ...	...	1	5
Minnie Watson, Bocombra ...	...	0	1
Theresa Ramsay, Kernan (part) ...	...	0	4
Priscilla Smartt, Kernan (part) ...	...	0	6
Lena Best, Ballyhannon ...	...	0	6
Mollie Cox, Carrickblacker Road	...	0	3
Maria Watson, Killicomain (part) ...	...	0	2
Josephine Webb, Lylo ...	...	0	5
Minnie Crawford and Amelia M'Cormick, James Street ...	...	0	2
Bessie Dawson, Town residents ...	...	0	5
Lizzie Dickson, Tammifiglasson ...	...	0	2
Christina Flannigan, Carrickblacker Ave.	0	4	2
Maud Dickson, Drumnagoon & Kilvergan	0	7	3
Sarah Coulter, Railway Street ...	...	0	4
Bella Magee, Century St., Killicomain Rd.	0	8	4
Annie Smith, Bridge Street ...	...	0	8
Pearl Grimshaw, Tammifiglasson	...	0	3
Maggie Reid, Derryvore and Seagoe (part)	0	10	8
Mrs. Porter, Seagoe (part) ...	...	0	1
Letitia Quaile, Balteagh ...	...	0	6
Cissie M'Dowell, Breagh ...	...	0	6
Judith M'Neil, Drumnacanvey ...	...	0	4
Minnie England, Knock ...	...	0	4
Hannah & Christina Anderson, Drumgor	0	7	6
Grace Best, Drumlisnagrilly ...	...	0	2
Ellen Noble, Hacknahay ...	...	0	4
Sarah Martin, Lurgan Road...	...	1	3
Maggie Rainey, Bright Street ...	...	0	2
Agnes Johnston, Foundry Street ...	...	0	0
Cissie Price, Ballinacor ...	...	0	3
Minnie Allen, Joseph Street...	...	0	3
Maggie Simpson, Carne ...	...	0	3
Hannah Caddell, Tarson ...	...	0	7
Kitty M'Mullan, Clanrolle & Knockmena	0	7	3
Minnie M'Laughlin, Levaghery (part) ...	...	0	3
Nellie Lewie, Levaghery (part)	0	5
Ethel Ruddell, Lisniskey	0	2
Other Sources	0	2

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The War Loan.

➡ We strongly advise our readers to invest in the new War Loan, for two reasons, firstly, because by so doing you can help the Empire to gain a glorious victory in this present war, secondly, because it is a first rate investment in which you can get £4 10s each year for every £100 you lend to the Government, with a Government guarantee that you will get your £100 back without fail.

You can invest any sum from 5/- up. The way to do it is to go to the nearest Post Office (Money Order Office,) and pay your money across the counter and you will receive the "scrip" or voucher in return, and you will be paid your interest only every half-year. You should not delay as the last day for investing is July 10th and you may never have such a chance again.

The Egg Collection.

CULLREAGH,
DONAGHADEE,
Co. DOWN.

June 23, 1915.

DEAR MR. ARCHER,

I would be much obliged if you would express in the "Parish Magazine" my very warm thanks for the splendid manner in which the townlands of Seagoe responded to my request for Eggs, for our wounded Soldiers and Sailors. I would like particularly to thank those kind helpers who at the cost of much trouble and time went round the different districts asking for the eggs. Indeed the response—365 dozen eggs in five weeks—was magnificent.

I cannot sufficiently express my gratitude to all who so kindly helped.

Yours sincerely,

EVA BLACKER.

ITEMS.

Six of the children in our list of those Baptised last month are the children of Railway Employees on the G.N.R.

At the marriage recently in Seagoe Church of a popular member of the 9th Batt. R.I.F., his fellow soldiers, who were present in large numbers, formed in a double line outside the Church door, and holding their canes so as to form an archway the happy couple walked between them to their carriage.

The Annual Appeal on behalf of the Co. Armagh Protestant Orphan Society will be made in the Parish Church on Sunday Morning, July 11th, at the 11-30 a.m. Service.

The Day Schools adjourned for Summer vacation on Wednesday, June 30th. They will resume work (D.V.) on Monday, August 9th.

Offertories for June.

Sundays—Mornings,	£6	16	4
Evenings,	...	1	15
Week days	...	0	8
		£8	19
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The above includes a special collection of £3 7s 0d for the Parochial Day School.

PARISH REGISTER FOR JUNE.

Baptisms.

The following were Baptized on June 5, 1915.

Johnston—William James, son of James and Ellen Margaret Johnston, of Kilmore.

Sponsors—Caroline Shanks, Mary Shanks, Ellen Margaret Johnston.

Wright—John Valentine, son of William Henry and Elizabeth Wright (the late) of Edenderry.

Sponsors—Letitia Adair, Sarah Wright.

Kelly—William Ernest, son of Robert and Anne Kelly, of Kernan.

Sponsors—Robert Kelly, Letitia Kelly.

Gordon—William Henry, son of Thomas Henry and Charlotte Gordon, of Ballinacor.

Sponsors—Mary Anne Gordon, Charlotte Gordon.

Simpson—Edna, daughter of James and Sarah Simpson, of Carne.

Sponsors—Elizabeth Conolly, Sarah Simpson.

Aston—Samuel James, son of William Thomas and Sarah Elizabeth Aston, of Edenderry.

Sponsors—William Thomas Aston, Sarah Elizabeth Aston.

Neill—James, son of James and Sarah Neill, of Edenderry.

Sponsors—Emily Neill, Sarah Neill.

Gracey—Henry John, son of John George and Sarah Jane Gracey, of Balteagh.

Sponsors—John George Gracey, Sarah Jane Gracey.

England—Margaret, daughter of William Henry and Evelyn England, of Killicomaine.

Sponsors—Ellen Jane England, Evelyn England.

Beckett—Ruby, daughter of Robert James and Jessie Beckett, of Tannifglasson.

Sponsors—Robert James Beckett, Jessie Beckett.

Marriages.

M'Dougald and Currie—At Glasgow, on June 1st, 1915, Lachlan M'Dougald, youngest son of the late Constable Dugal M'Dougald, to Elizabeth, only daughter of John Currie, late of Bridge Street, Edenderry.

Mullan and Reid—On June 4th, 1915, Harris Henry Mullen, of Portadown, to Christina Reid, of Upper Seagoe.

Jenkinson and Haire—On June 12th, 1915, John Jenkinson, 9th Batt. R.I.F., of Portadown, to Anne Haire, of Edenderry.

Moore and Shanks—On June 23rd, 1915, David Moore, of Knocknamuckley, to Caroline Shanks, of Kernan.

Burials.

Millsopp—June 5th, Thomas Millsop, of Portadown, 3rd Batt. R.I.F., died of wounds received in action in Flanders, May 1915, aged 24 years.

Sherman—June 13th, George Sherman, of Edenderry. Aged 88 years.

Craig—June 20th, Margretta Craig, of Belfast. Aged 7 years.

KILLED IN ACTION.

Malcomson—June 16th, 1915, near Hooge, in Flanders, Joseph Malcomson, Private, 2nd Batt, Royal Irish Rifles, of Joseph Street. Aged 28 years.

"For King and Country."

Distinction for a Sunday School Teacher.

Miss Rhoda Guy of Lower Seagoe has been awarded a Second-class Certificate for good answering at the Examination for Sunday School Teachers, held recently by the Sunday School Society for Ireland. We hope that in future other teachers from Seagoe Parish will enter for the Examination. It is held at centres through Ireland in May of each year. Valuable prizes are given to those who answer well at the Examination.

Old Seagoe Notes.

Rev. Patrick Sheridan, D.D., Rector of Seagoe 1664—1682.—Patrick Sheridan was the son of Denis Sheridan, a Roman Catholic priest converted by Bishop Bedell. He was born at Tocher, Co. Cavan, and educated at Enniskillen; entered Trinity College, Dublin, aged 14, on May 15th, 1652. [His elder brother William, who afterwards became Bishop of Kilmore, also entered Trinity College, Dublin, the same day, aged 17.] He became Fellow Trinity College, Dublin, in 1660; B.D., 1665; Senior Fellow, 1665, by Mandamus from the King, with a clause dispensing with the statutes prohibiting him from holding a living; Vice-Provost, 1666-68. He became Vicar of Castleknock, March 24th, 1660; Rector of Clonfeacle, October 16th, 1662, and was appointed Archdeacon of Dromore and Rector of Seagoe, August 12th, 1664, resigning Clonfeacle the same year, but he was re-appointed, being permitted to hold the Benefice with his Fellowship. He became Dean of Connor and Rector of Carrickfergus in 1667, both of which he held with the Archdeaconry. He became Rector of Conwall when he resigned his Fellowship. He was consecrated at Cashel on April 27th, 1679, Bishop of Cloyne, being allowed to hold "in commendam" the Deanery and Archdeaconry, and Rectory of Islandmagee. He married in 1677 Anne Hill, of Hill Hall, Co. Down, widow, and died in Dublin November 22, 1682, and was buried in the old College Chapel, Trinity College, Dublin, but no monument to him exists now.

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A Tamnificarbet Will, dated 1683.—I Francis Robson, of Tannefecarbit, in ye Parish of Sego, and County of Ardmagh, being sick in body but of good and perfect memory, and calling to remembrance the uncertainty of this life, do this twenty-fourth day of the Eleventh Month called January, anno. 1683, make and constitute and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, revoking, and annulling by these presents all and every Testament and Will or Wills heretofore by me made and declared, and this to be taken for my last Will and Testament desiring that my body may be buried in ye burying place in Monreverty, in ye Parish and County aforesaid, and for ye settling of my temporall estate, I do order, give and dispose of same in manner and form following, viz. ;—First I will that all these debts that I owe in right or conscience to any person shall be well and truly paid by my executor hereafter

named, and within convenient time after my decease.

Item I give unto my son John Robson my whole interest, right and title, that I ought to have in and to ye said Townland of Tannefecarbit, with all houses and offices and improvements whatsoever.

Item I give unto my son Jacob Robson my whole interest, right and title yt I have or ought to have in and to ye townland of Tarson which I now hold with all houses, edifices and improvements whatsoever therein made. I also leave to him eleven head of cattle (that is to say) two oxen of five-year old apiece, two bullocks of four-year old apiece, two bullocks of three-year-old apiece, two bullocks of two-year-old apiece, one bullock of one-year-old, one sorrell mare, and one brown horse. I also leave him (my sd son Jacob) twenty pounds, sterling, to be paid by my Executor out of my goods and chattels; and also I leave him one bed of clothes (viz)—one bed, one bolster, two pillows, one paire of lining sheets, one paire of harden sheets, one rugg, one blanket, and one bedstead (or ten shillings in lieu thereof.)

Item I give unto my daughter, Jane Robson, twenty seven pounds, sterling, to be paid by my Executor out of my goods and chattels. I also leave to her two cows and one brown heifer of two years old, one feather bed with all furniture belonging thereto, and one bedstead (or ten shillings in lieu thereof), and one Cubbard.

Item I give unto my daughter Catherine seven pounds, sterling, and her three eldest children three pounds, sterling, to be paid by my Executors. If any of them die before it be paid then ye survivors to have it. I also leave to her youngest child, Sarah, one heifer of a yeare old.

Item I give unto the three eldest children of my sd son John three pounds, sterling: that is to say twenty shillings apiece. I also leave to his youngest child, Hanna, one heifer of a yeare old.

Item I give into ye hand of Roger Webb twenty shillings, sterling, to be disposed of as I have spoken unto him to do, which I fully trust in his hand to be done accordingly.

I appoint my sd son, John Robson, to be my only and sole Executor.

FRANCIS ROBSON, F.R.

Signed and sealed in the presence of Roger Webb, Robert Hooper and William Porter.

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Notes on Francis Robson's Will, 1683—The above will is interesting, not merely because of its antiquity (it is 232 years since it was made), but also because of some of the expressions it contains, "The Eleventh month commonly called January"—This expression which seems so strange to us was quite correct in 1683. Counting from September, which means "Seventh month," January is the Eleventh month, February the Twelfth month, and the New Year up to 1752 always began on March 25th.

"Sorrell" is also an old expression. It means "reddish-brown." It is connected with the word "sere," often used to describe the colour of a withered leaf.