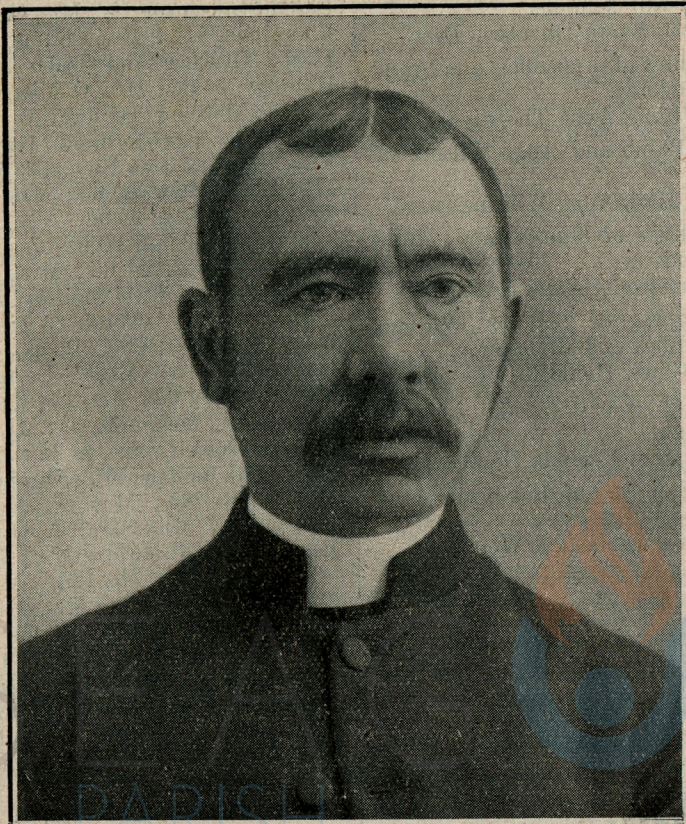


# Seagoe Parish Magazine.

JUNE, 1914.



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## REV. ROBERT QUIRK, D.D.,

Curate of Seagoe Feb., 1881, to Dec., 1900.

Rector of Magherally, 1900 to 1914.

Died April 25th, 1914.

### **The Annual Excursion.**

**T**HE Annual Sunday School Excursion will take place (D.V.) on Thursday, June 11th, 1914, to Carrickblacker, by the kind permission of Major S. W. Blacker, J.P., our Peoples' Churchwarden. We all remember the splendid day we had there three years ago, and if we have our usual Seagoe weather this year there is a treat in store for our Excursionists. The Sunday Schools will assemble at the Parish Church at 9-30 a.m., when a short service will be held, and then headed by the famous Edenderry Pipers Band, and with colours flying, will march via Edenderry along the Gilford Road to Carrickblacker.

The price of the Refreshment Tickets will be as follows to Children who have attended at least 12 Sundays at Sunday School since January 1st.

Under 8 years of age, 3d; 8 to 14, 6d; over 14, 9d. The Ticket entitles the holder to two substantial refreshments. A stall for the sale of all kinds of toys, sweets, etc., will be erected in the grounds. No hawkers or dealers of any kind will be allowed on the grounds.

Four degrees of frost were registered on Sunday night, May 24th. As a result the potato tops have been seriously blighted, and the fruit trees have also suffered.



**Baptisms.**

"Remember thy Creator in the days of thy youth."

Baptized in the Parish Church on Saturday,  
May 2nd, 1914.

**Best**—William George, son of William and Sarah Elizabeth Best, of Killicomaine.

*Sponsors*—William Best, Sarah Elizabeth Best.

**Thornton**—Alice, daughter of Alexander and Anne Thornton, of Edenderry.

*Sponsors*—Alice Wilson, Anne Thornton.

**Wilson**—John, son of Ralph and Anne Wilson, of Edenderry.

*Sponsors*—Sarah Hall, Anne Wilson.

**Freeburn**—Jane, daughter of James and Anne Freeburn, of Edenderry.

*Sponsors*—Martha Armstrong, Anne Freeburn.

**Coulter**—Hannah, daughter of Thomas William and Henrietta Coulter, of Ballyhannon.

*Sponsors*—Maude McClure, Henrietta Coulter.

**Hickland**—Matilda, daughter of John and Lucinda Hickland, of Breagh.

*Sponsors*—Agnes Hickland, Lucinda Hickland.

**Webb**—Sarah Lavinia, daughter of David and Jane Webb, of Lylo.

*Sponsors*—Josephine Webb, Jane Webb.

**McCann**—Muriel, daughter of John George and Letitia McCann, of Edenderry.

*Sponsors*—Bella Magee, Letitia McCann.

**PRIVATE BAPTISM.**

Baptized on May 3rd, 1914.

**Whiteside**—Anne, daughter of Ferguson and Edith Whiteside, of Tarson.

**Burials.**

"Till the day break."

**Gilpin**—May 11th, Leonard Gilpin, of Tarson, aged 65 years.

**Guy**—May 26th, William Guy, of Lower Seagoe, aged 76 years.

**Offertories.**

(Four Sundays)

Sundays—Morning, ... £6 0 0

Evening, ... 2 4 8

Week-days ... 0 9 8

£8 14 4

Offertories for the Jews Society amounting to £4 6s 3d are included in above.

**The Political Crisis.**

The Home Rule Bill has been read a third time but there has been no excitement here. Everybody feels that no matter what may happen in other parts of Ireland, it will at any rate "never pass Portadown."

**C.M.S. Box Collections, 1913-1914**

The following is a complete List of the Box Collections for C.M.S. received by the Hon. Sec., Miss G. Atkinson:—

**Edenderry**—Total £2 19s 8d. Mrs. Hadden, 11s 9d; Donald Stevenson, 2s; Mrs. Hugh Stoops, 2s 6d; Mrs. Flannigan, 2s 2d; Mrs. Collins, 8s 9d; Agnes Johnston, 11s 3d; Heather and Isabo Atkinson, 2s 3d; Miss Halliday, 5s 6d; Mrs. C. Magee, 6d; Thomas Metcalf, 1s 3d; William Tedford, 1s 4d; Miss I. Atkinson, 4s 8d; Mrs. Crawford, 4d; George Best, 1s 10d; Mrs. Ellis, 9d; Mrs. Sam Roney, 2s 6d; Mrs. Pearson, 1s 5d; Miss Lizzie Stewart, 6d; Mrs. Coulter, 3s 5d; Mrs. Thomas Dawson, 5s 3d.

**Seagoe**—Total, £0 9s 4d. Mrs. S. Porter, 1s 4d; Mrs. E. Collins, 2s 6d; Mrs. Dickson, 9d; Mrs. J. Walker, 2s 3d; Mrs. Ramsey, 2s 6d.

**Hacknahay**—Total, £3 18s 2d. Mrs. Bradshaw, 2s 2d; Miss Rachel Black, 2s 6d; Miss Minnie England, 2s 10d; Miss M'Cormick, 2s; Miss Charlotte M'Murray, 1s 6d; Mrs. Livingstone, 7d; Mrs. Quinn, 3s 1d; Mrs. Magennis, 5s; Mr. W. J. Calvert, 4s 4d; John M'Dowell, jun., 3s 2d; Mrs. Thos. Neill, 2s 3d; Miss Neill, 2s 3d; Miss Abraham, 8s 2d; Miss Judith M'Neill, 1s 8d; Mrs. N. England, 3s 5d; Miss Rodgers, 1s; Miss Sarah A. Guy, 1s 6d; Miss Grace Best, 3s 2d; Miss Calvert, £1 7s 6d.

**Carne**—Total, 16s 1d. Mrs. Martin, 2s 3d; Mrs. John Gordon, 2s 0d; Mrs. Caddell, 4s; Miss Annie Robb, 8d; Mrs. Murray, 2s 6d; Mrs. James Simpson, 3s 2d; Mrs. Andrew Costello, 1s 6d.

**Drumgor**—Total, £1 3s 0d. Mrs. S. Best, 2s; Mrs. Turner, 2s; Mrs. M'Mullan, 3s 5d; Mrs. Dickson, 5s 3d; Mr. R. Gracey, 10s 4d.

Mrs. George Simpson, Carne, 1s 2d, late for last year's accounts.

Total collected in Boxes, £9 7s 6d.

**Extension of Seagoe Graveyard.**

The work of extending Old Seagoe Graveyard was begun early in May. Two acres of land are being added and the task of levelling the ground will occupy several months. Unfortunately it has been found necessary to cut down some of the old trees but we hope no more will be removed than necessity requires. A substantial wall no less than eight feet high will form the boundary of the new ground. The path running from the Rectory towards the old Church which has been there for many centuries is, we are glad to say, not being interfered with. The mound on the northern side of the old Church which is being partially levelled is apparently a rath or artificial earthwork and a close watch is being kept for any antiquarian remains which may be discovered.

Some of the Special Choral Festival Music will be sung in Seagoe Church on Whitsunday, including the Anthem "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace."



## A Missionary Week.

During the week beginning on Whitsunday May 31st, a series of Missionary Meetings will be held throughout the Parish. The Services on Whitsunday will have a Missionary character. Missionary Hymns and Collects will be used.

Meetings will be held during the week at the following centres:—

Monday, June 1st—Hacknahay, at 3.30 and 8.

Tuesday, June 2nd—Drumgor Church Hall at 3.30 and 8.

Wednesday, June 3rd—Edenderry Parochial Hall at 3.30.

Wednesday—Special Missionary Service of Intercession in the Parish Church at 8.

Friday, June 5th—Tamnificarbet Orange Hall at 3.30.

Friday, June 5th—Carne Church Hall at 8.

No Meetings will be held on Thursday. Through the kindness of some Missionary workers in the Parish, Tea will be provided for all who come to the Afternoon Meetings. Several Missionary speakers will address the meetings. Envelopes have been left in every house in the Parish, and will be called for on Saturday, May 30th. We hope every household will endeavour to give something to help to spread the Gospel amongst the heathen races of the world.

The Rev. W. P. Williams, M.A., who has just returned from Foochow, China, and is a member of the Dublin University Mission, will speak at the meetings on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, and will also preach in the Parish Church on Wednesday evening.

Our other speakers will include the Rev. W. R. Orichton, M.A., and Miss Armstrong.

We heartily invite all the Parishioners to attend these Missionary gatherings.

## A Plucky Seagoe Sportsman.

Lieutenant Robert Gilpin, Royal Field Artillery, son of Captain George Gilpin, 1st Royal Sussex Regiment, of Tamnificarbet, in this Parish, did a very plucky thing in Kakartala Jungle, near Jubbulpore, India, on January 2nd, 1914. He shot a Male Tiger of great size, 9ft. 5 inches in length, at a distance of 13 paces, both on level ground. The bullet entered at the junction of the head and shoulder, broke the vertebræ and opposite shoulder, and was found under the skin. A split bullet was used. We congratulate this young Seagoe sportsman on his plucky deed. It requires some nerve to face a tiger at bay on the level ground at a distance of a few paces and calmly to raise your rifle and take aim and send the shot home. Captain Gilpin is at present stationed at Peshawur, North India, and Lieutenant Gilpin is at Jubbulpore.

## ITEMS.

There is a noticeable absence of draughts in Seagoe Church since the new Ventilators were inserted in the Roof.

The Annual Collections for our Day Schools will be made in Seagoe Church on Sunday next (Whitsunday) May 31st. There is no more important work than that of the education of the children of the Parish in the Parochial Day Schools, and we ask for liberal offerings on its behalf.

Mr. David \*Livingstone\* has been \*appointed\* an agent of the Prudential Assurance Society, and is canvassing for Policies. Take out a Policy with him and you will never regret it.

Distributors \*of the Magazine\* are \*asked\* to kindly deliver the copies to their clients as early as possible after publication.

On Sunday, \*June 21st\*, at 7 p.m., \*a Special Service\* will be held (D.V.) in Seagoe Parish Church in connection with the Free Gardeners Society. The offerings will be given to the Protestant Orphan Society.

The Address \*received\* by the Rev. Dr. Quirk on his departure from Seagoe has been kindly presented by Mr. T. D. Gibson, D.L., of Edenderry, and it will be hung as a memento in Edenderry Parochial Hall.

The Members of the Literary and Debating Society are asked to attend an important Business Meeting of the Society in Edenderry Parochial Hall, on Monday, June 8th, at 8 p.m. to appoint Officers and Balance Accounts.

## G.F.S. Excursion.

The Hacknahay branch of our Seagoe Girls' Friendly Society, had a most enjoyable Excursion to Belfast on Thursday, May 14th. Thirty-two Members travelled in a special Saloon Car attached to the 1.53 p.m. train to Belfast. On their arrival in the City, accompanied by the Rector and the Rev. G. Bloomer, they visited many places of interest; including the beautiful City Hall and Robinson & Cleaver's. From the roof of the latter building they obtained a splendid view of Belfast and the neighbourhood. At 4.30 the members left by Glengormley Electric Tram for Bellevue Gardens where Tea was provided in the fine Tea House. The Members then scattered in different directions enjoying the beautiful walks on all sides. A large number visited the new Bellevue Gardens about which there has been so much controversy. The magnificent stairway of 200 steps, and the splendid view platform at the summit were greatly enjoyed. The members returned home by the train leaving Belfast at 10 p.m. Miss Calvert who takes such a deep interest in the Society in Hacknahay accompanied the Excursion.

## Insurance Collections for May, £4 2s 10d.

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| Amount required,   | ... | £21 0 0 |
| Amount subscribed, | ... | 14 0 4½ |

Balance required, £6 19 7½



## Old Seagoe Notes.

**Enlargement of Seagoe Graveyard 1789**—At a Vestry held in the Parish Church of Seagoe on Easter Tuesday, 14th April, 1789, the following sum was laid on by the Minister, Churchwardens and Parishioners to be raised off the Parish by way of cess. To repair the Fences, and enlarge the Churchyard, to be laid out by the Churchwardens under ye direction of the Revd. Dean Blacker, £5 0s 0d.

[This Vestry provides an interesting contrast to the expenditure—necessary expenditure—being incurred on the present enlargement for which the estimate is £850.]

Another record however under date 28th March, 1796, implies a further expenditure—"To the Churchwardens together with Jno. Greer, Esq. and Mr. Geo. Ruddell Senr. and the Revd. Dean Blacker for the enlargement repairs of ye Church and Churchyard, and for traversing any improper presentments at the Assizes £41 11s 5d.

**The Smallest and Largest Townlands in Seagoe Parish**—Drumlisnagrilly has the distinction of being the smallest Townland in Seagoe Parish. It contains 64 acres, but it makes up for its smallness by having the biggest name of any Townland. Drumgor with almost the smallest name is the largest in extent, containing 314 acres.

### Churchwardens of Seagoe (continued.)—

- 1820—Robert Watson, of Killicomaine.  
Robert Hewitt, of Ballinamoney.
- 1821—Robert Watson, of Killicomaine.  
Mr. Wm. Byrne, of Kinnego.
- 1822—Mr. Robert Watson, of Killicomaine.  
Mr. Wm. Byrne, of Kinnego.
- 1823—Robert Watson, of Killicomaine.  
Frederick Ruddell, of Ballinacor.
- 1834—Robert Watson, of Killicomaine.  
Mr. Richard Harrison, of Knockmena.
- 1825—Captain Stewart Blacker, R.N.  
Robert Watson.

**Note on the Rev. Richard Buckby, Vicar of Seagoe, 1763-1796.**—The Rev. Richard Buckby, who was Vicar of Seagoe for 33 years in the 18th century, was the son of John Buckby, Esq., of Kibworth, Leicestershire, he was born on March 8th, 1723, baptized on March 27th, 1723, at Thornby, Northampton, entered Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, and graduated Master of Arts. In 1762 he was appointed Vicar of Long Stretton, Leicester, and in 1763 became Vicar of Seagoe. He was appointed chaplain to the famous Bishop Percy of Dromore. He died on January 18th, 1796, aged 72, and was buried in Old Seagoe Graveyard a week later on January 25th, 1796. He married Elizabeth Heselrige, daughter of Sir Arthur Heselrige of Moseley, Leicestershire, 7th Baronet, on June 5th, 1760. The handsome oval marble tablet above the west door of Seagoe Church was erected to the memory of the Rev. Richard Buckby by his successor in the Vicarage of Seagoe, the Rev. George Blacker.

**Lt. Colonel Blacker's Funeral, 1855.**—In a recent issue we gave some particulars regarding the Funeral of Colonel Blacker. Mrs. Richd. Wilson, of Drumnagoo, whose father, Mr. McMurray, was one of the bearers at the Funeral, has supplied us with an original copy of the Funeral Hymn printed for the Funeral. It is a simple black-edged sheet with the following heading—"Funeral Hymn by Lieutenant-Colonel Blacker, with directions that it should be sung at his Funeral by the children of Hacknohay School." The Hymn contains 10 verses from which we extract the following:—

He loved us well, he made our weal  
The object of his care,  
As dawned our youth he bade us kneel,  
And seek the Lord in prayer.  
He bade us take the path of truth,  
Avoiding error's ways,  
And joy'd to hear the lips of youth,  
Uplift the song of praise.

At the bottom of the Hymn are printed the words—"For my Funeral.—W.B.," and then in smaller type "No date—but he was taken to his "Sabbath of Eternal Rest" on Sunday 25th of November, 1855, in his eightieth year."

**'Badging' the Poor, 1818.**—At a meeting of the Vestry held in the Parish Church of Seagoe on Easter Tuesday, the 24th day of March, 1818, it was Resolved "that the poor of the Parish be Badged, and proper Badges procured by the present Churchwardens who are to distribute the same on the recommendation of the following Parishioners (names follow). Two signatures to be deemed sufficient on each Recommendation."

### Hacknahay Day School.

This School continues to do excellent work under Miss Chambers as Principal. The children had a splendid afternoon on Friday, May 29th, on the kind invitation of their Principal. Tea was partaken of at 4 o'clock, and then there were games and athletic sports in the spacious school grounds. The children enjoyed themselves thoroughly, and before they separated heartily cheered their Teacher.

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