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# **The Irish CROKERS**

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## Background

The CROKERS are an Anglo-Irish landed gentry family. The best known branch of them was centred at Ballynagarde in County Limerick. Another branch provided Rt Hon John Wilson CROKER sometime MP and secretary to the Admiralty. The genealogy of the CROKERS was treated in the *Herald and Genealogist*<sup>1</sup> by C J Robinson in 1874. While his article was able to draw on sources no longer available, we believe that it is appropriate to reassess the genealogy of the Irish CROKERS. This is because other information has since become public and more information has become more accessible through the continuing work of organisation and indexing of records.

This article also draws heavily, as we are sure Robinson did, on the work of Sir William BETHAM<sup>2</sup> and others in the Genealogical Office in Dublin. Robinson also lamented "the parochial registers in Ireland are sadly defective" and this was prior to the great destruction of 1922. The Lismore Papers in the National Library of Ireland have provided much detailed information for the early seventeenth century. Another rich source of genealogical information used for this article is the Registry of Deeds.

### *Origin and very early records*

The name CROKER is a variation of CROKKER, CROCKER or CROCK and derives from the old English for potter. There were CROCKs and CROCKERS in Ireland in medieval times. John CROCK, for his laudable service in Scotland received the king's manor of Admekin in Ireland in 1302<sup>3</sup>. A year later William and Adam le CROCKER were detained in prison at Kilkenny by the Earl and Countess of Gloucester<sup>4</sup>; and in March 1305 John, David and Adam le CROCKER, with several others, were fined for engaging in an affray with a servant of the Bishop of Ossory at Leghelyn<sup>5</sup>, but three years elapsed before the Bishop was able to exact the fine. During this time John le CROCKER died. He had served as a juror at Kilkenny in 1307, as did David CROKKER at Carlow in 1311<sup>6</sup>. Phillip CROCKER was a witness as to the extent of the Countess of Gloucester's manor of Dunfeet in 1307. John CROKER was elected sovereign (mayor) of the town of Kilkenny in 9 Henry IV (1407)<sup>7</sup>. He

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<sup>1</sup> The family of CROKER, Robinson, Charles John; *Herald and Genealogist*, Vol VIII, pp 377-391. See also Burke's Irish Family Records and its predecessors.

<sup>2</sup> 1779–1853. Ulster King of Arms from 1820 until his death. Made abstracts of most prerogative wills of Ireland c1585-c1800; gathered much genealogical information including some collections of pedigrees held at the Genealogical Office which are indexed in *Analecta Hibernica* 27 (1975). (Note these have been microfilmed by the Mormons.)

<sup>3</sup> *Calendar of documents relating to Ireland 1293-1302*, (1881), p12 February 17, 1301-2, No 17.

<sup>4</sup> *Ibid* p84 — The Countess was the King's daughter. See also *Analecta Hibernica*, 34 (1987), p 60; Irish material in the class of ancient petitions (SC8) in the Public Record Office London (mostly in Norman French).

<sup>5</sup> *Calendar of Justiciary Rolls of Ireland; part 1, 23-31 Edward I; part 2 33-35 Edward I*; (1905,1914) London, part 1 p46 et seq.

<sup>6</sup> See *Calendar Justiciary Rolls of Ireland 1–7 Edward II*, (c1955) Dublin, p various.

<sup>7</sup> *Journal of the Royal Society of Antiquaries Ireland*, V 57, p 26.

was renting various properties in Kilkenny around that time<sup>8</sup>. Nothing is known of the descendants of any of these, but their name is preserved in Crockersland or Crokersland near Kilkenny which is mentioned in a deed in 1432<sup>9</sup>.

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## **Note**

The spelling of place names in Ireland varies over time. Moreover, one townland might have several aliases. In this article I have generally used the spelling that appears in the source documents, eg a deed, which may be different to the current spelling. For some townlands that recur frequently I have used the spelling from the 1851 Census of Ireland published in *General Alphabetical Index to the Townlands and Towns, Parishes, and Baronies of Ireland* reprinted by Genealogical Publishing Co. Inc, Baltimore 1992.

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<sup>8</sup>Charles McNeill (Ed), *Kilkenny city records. Liber primus Kilkenniensis: the earliest of the Books of the Corporation of Kilkenny now extant*, Dublin Stationary Office 1931

<sup>9</sup>Edward McLysaght, *Irish Families: their Names, Arms and Origins*, Irish Academic Press, Dublin, Fourth Edition 1985. See also Newport B White (ed) *Calendar of Ormonde Deeds*, Stationery Office, Dublin 1932.

## Origin

The CROKERS which are the subject of this article are, by tradition, descended from the CROKER family long established at Lyneham in the parish of Yealmpton, near Plymouth in Devon. This tradition was fixed in 1717 when *John*<sup>10</sup> of the Ballynagarde branch erected his memorial at Fedamore church stating that his father *Edward* was son of *Thomas*, son of *John VI* of Lyneham in the county of Devon by STROUD his wife<sup>11</sup>. *John Wilson* was aware of this tradition when, in March 1820, he and his companion:

"... went two miles out of our road to see Lyneham, the seat of my ancestors ... a delightful place"<sup>12</sup>.

The pedigree<sup>13</sup> of the CROKERS of Lyneham shows *John V* of Lyneham, married firstly Joan ARUNDEL daughter of Humphrey ARUNDEL of Ceely, Cornwall; married secondly Elizabeth POLLARD (died 21 May 1531) daughter of Sir Lewis POLLARD of Girleton, Devon, as dying in 1520<sup>14</sup> leaving, by his second wife who survived him many years, two sons and two daughters:

- *John VI* (see below);
- *George*;
- *Elizabeth* married Andrew MAYNARD; and
- *Anne* married Edward DREWE of Newton St Cyres.

The elder son, *John VI*, who died 30 June 1560, had by his wife Elizabeth daughter of Richard STROWDE of Newham, Devon eight sons and six daughters:

- *John VII* [c1532 - 18 Nov 1612] of Lyneham (will proved PCC 21 June 1613) married Agnes SERVINGTON daughter of Richard SERVINGTON of Tavistock, Devon;
- *Thomas* of Trevellas (see below);
- *Richard*<sup>15</sup> of Norrisland (see page 9);

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<sup>10</sup>From now on in this paper all family names will be in upper case and where a lower case name is in bold the family name should be taken as CROKER which will not be written. So for example John Wilson CROKER will appear as *John Wilson* whereas John WILSON will denote John of the WILSON family.

<sup>11</sup>Reported in Robinson's article see also the Irish Association for the *Preservation of Memorials of the Dead* V.. p24. This stone was removed on the demolition of Fedamore church in 1956 to St Mary's Cathedral Limerick.

<sup>12</sup>Louis J JENNINGS Ed, *Croker Papers*, J Murray (2nd revised edition 1885) London, Vol 1 p167.

<sup>13</sup>Col Vyvyan's *Devon Pedigrees*; LtCol J L VIVIAN, *The Visitations of Cornwall*, William Pollard & Co, Exeter (1887) p 254 and Robinson p 379.

<sup>14</sup>See also Robinson, Charles John; *The family of CROKER, Herald and Genealogist*, Vol VIII, pp 377-391. See also Burke's Irish Family Records and its predecessors. p 386 which states *John V* died 20 June, 12 Henry VIII and his son and heir *John VI* was aged 5 at the time. His will dated 16 January 1520 was proved in PCC.

<sup>15</sup>Robinson p 380, gives this *Richard* as possibly of Ugborough. The IGI has *Richard* and Elizabeth of Ugborough as parents of *Marie* (baptised 1579), *Richard* (1582), *Arthur* (1585), and *Walter* (1587). This certainly fits with the chronology for *Richard* brother of *John VI* and for *Richard* also to have

- *Nicholas*;
- *Robert*;
- *Edward*;
- *Philip* of Gloucester witnessed and helped prove his nephew *Humphrey*'s will in 1622 (see page 8). His and his widow's wills dated respectively 30 September 1633 and 21 March 1635/36 were proved in PCC. *Anne* his widow was probably his second or later wife as he calls her now his wife. He appears to have no children surviving at the time of their wills.
- *Samuel*;
- *Elizabeth*;
- *Mary* who married firstly to Henry KNYVETT and secondly to Thomas SOUTHCOTT;
- *Joan*;
- *Anne* who married John FOWELL, Town Clerk of Plymouth;
- *Agnes* married Thomas BURELL, of Woodland, Cornwall and had the following children listed in Vivian:
  - Arthur BURELL who married Maria BUTLER daughter of Richard BUTLER. He was buried on 26 January 1646/7 at Saltash and she on 18 July 1625.
  - Thomas BURELL who was mentioned as cousin in Humphrey's 1622 will. He married Alice and died circa 1635.
  - Helea BURELL who married .. CARNANION and was a widow in 1643.
- *Alice* married George KEINSHAM of Brixton, Devon; and
- *Barbara* who married Walter ELFORD of Sheepsror.

*Thomas*, second son of *John VI* of Lynham, was of Trevalis, Cornwall. He married by Exeter marriage licence dated 21 July 1582, Margary, daughter of John GYLL of Tavistock<sup>16</sup>. *Thomas* died before 1620<sup>17</sup>. *Margary* is described as widow in her son *Humphrey*'s will in 1622. Their children were:

- *John* of Tavistock, Devon, and St Agnes, Cornwall, married Leila, daughter of Fitzwilliam SQUIRE of the Oaks, Devon. His will dated 1657 and proved May 1658. They had issue.
  - *John*
  - *Michael*

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obtained land in Ireland c1590. The IGI also has *Richard* son of *John* and Geasie baptised 1545 at Ugborough.

<sup>16</sup>Col. Vyvyan's *Devon Pedigrees*.

<sup>17</sup>*Visitations of Devon*, 1620.

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- *Christopher* who is given in some versions of the Betham pedigrees as the father of *Hugh* the ancestor of the Lisnabrin line. This does not fit the chronology. He was born after 1635.
- *Prudence* mentioned in her father's will.
- *Gulian* mentioned in her father's will.
- *Zanobie* mentioned in her father's will.
- *Elizabeth* mentioned in her father's will.
- *Margarie* mentioned in her father's will and who married John GWIN of Budock, Cornwall and had John GWIN, Daniel GWIN and Thomas GWIN who were mentioned in their grandfather's will.
- *Hugh* of Cappoquin and Ballyanker, County Waterford (see page 10).
- *Edward* (see page 13).
- *Christopher* (see page 14).
- *Jane* married John TREHAWKE of Devon and had issue mentioned in her brother Humphrey's will:
  - John TREHAWKE later went to Ireland and was appointed overseer of his uncle Hugh's will. He was Christopher's factor and of Cappoquin in 1636 (see page 14).
  - Joune TREHAWKE; and
  - Sheco? TREHAWKE.
- *Humphrey* [c1598 - 7 October 1622] Matriculated to St Edmund Hall, Oxford 28 June 1616 aged 18, BA Exeter College 17 February 1619/20, MA 26 June 1622<sup>18</sup>. His will was dated 7 October 1622, and he appears to have died the same day at Gloucester. His estate consisted of personal effects at Gloucester and other estate at Trevellas and in Ireland. The Irish estate consisted of £40 due by bill from his brother *Hugh* and a feather bed furnished<sup>19</sup>.
- *William* who held a lease on Flemings land that later came into possession of *Hugh*<sup>20</sup>. He may be the Sergeant *William* mentioned in the State Papers Ireland whose wife had a pension in 1650s. He thus may be the Sergeant CROKER killed in the capture of Waterford. (See Appendix B)

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<sup>18</sup>Joseph Foster *Alumni Oxonienses* 1968 Nendeln, Liechtenstein, Kraus Reprint.

<sup>19</sup>The original will, probate grants and related documents and inventories are in the University Archives, Bodleian Library Oxford.

<sup>20</sup>Lismore Papers, National Library of Ireland Ms6139 folio 20.



## The Settlers

### ***The first wave***

The first John CROKER of Ballyneguard, writing in 1712 stated *Thomas* the second son and *Richard* the third son of John VI CROKER of Lyneham came to Ireland in the reign of Elizabeth I.

The first of the Lyneham CROKERs to obtain land in Ireland was *Richard*, believed to be son of *John VI*. He is listed as a copyholder in the barony of Inchquyne in 1589<sup>21</sup>. Under the 'plantation' scheme<sup>22</sup> for Sir Walter RALEIGH's Munster estate, *Richard* received two grants in 1592; namely half the ploughlands of New Aughandun on 30 May and Norriesland on 4 June<sup>23</sup>. Sir Richard BOYLE confirmed these leases for ever on 16 April 1612<sup>24</sup>. If the latter place is the place of that name in the parish of Lismore and Mocollop, County Waterford, he may be the CROKER mentioned by Dr SMITH as living at Glanbeg near Lismore in 1596<sup>25</sup>. He would certainly have suffered, and may have been killed, in the rising of 1598 when that plantation was swept away. His children are given by Betham as the following:

- *John*;
- *Hugh*;
- *William*;
- *Richard* who received a legacy from his uncle *Philip* in 1633. He also received a legacy of £10 in the 1634 will of his aunt *Ann* widow of *Phillip*. He is most likely *Richard* of Clondohid who made a deposition regarding losses in the 1641 rebellion and *Richard* who rented John CROCKFORD's house in the manor of Affane in 1629 through to 1637.
- *Edmond* perhaps of Baltimore, County Cork the husband of Marie SQUIER and mentioned along with their seven children in the 1634 will of her brother Lewis SQUIER<sup>26</sup>. He received a legacy from his uncle *Philip* in 1633.
- *Arthur*;
- *Robert* who received a legacy from his uncle *Philip* in 1633; and
- *Anne*.

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<sup>21</sup>*State Papers Ireland*, V544 No28.

<sup>22</sup>40,000 acres in the vicinity of the Blackwater river which had been confiscated from the DESMONDs.

<sup>23</sup>These were mentioned in the assignment of RALEIGH's possessions in County Cork in 1603. See Albert Eugene CASEY, *O'Kief Coshe Mang, Slieve Lougher and Upper Blackwater*, (1953+) in 16 volumes published privately for Knocknagree Historical Fund, V14 pp2585-84

<sup>24</sup>Lismore Papers Ms6140 folio 30.

<sup>25</sup>Annotation in Col WHITE's copy of L'ESTRANGE's '*Conne and Desmond*' (privately printed c1880-1900) now in the Cork County Library.

<sup>26</sup>W H Whelply, *Wills and pleadings*, Society of Genealogists London.

It seems most likely may be the above *Richard* was mentioned as father of the first wife of William GREATRAKES of Aughmoin, County Waterford in his funeral entry<sup>27</sup>. William GREATRAKES died 2 June 1628. His first wife, by whom he had his heir William GREATRAKES<sup>28</sup>, was described as *Ann*, daughter of *Richard* of Kill, County Waterford.

We are thus uncertain as to what happened to the descendants of *Richard* of Norrisland. Betham states that they all died either in the Low country wars or of the plague. Some possible descendants include:

- Lieutenant *Walter* of Colonel PRIDE's Regiment who was one of only two officers in that unit to volunteer for service in Ireland in the summer of 1647<sup>29</sup>. The prospect of such service prior to the settlement of arrears of pay caused much resentment.
- *Humphrey* who was one of the landed proprietors liable to forfeit some of their property under the 1652 Act of Settlement.
- *Thomas* of Kilcrea, County Cork who witnessed a payment of Barry DREW to Valentine GREATRAKES on 7 May 1680<sup>30</sup>. He is said to have married .. BROWNING.

### ***The main group***

At least three sons of *Thomas* of Trevellas (see page 7) came to Ireland around 1600. *Hugh*, the eldest was evidently the leader and his name appears most often in the surviving records. He married at least twice and probably three times producing at least seven children. Detailed references about *Hugh* follow.

*Hugh* [b c 1585-90] appears to have taken part in the campaign to restore English authority in 1600-03<sup>31</sup>; for Ensign *Hugh* of Sir John DOWDALL's Company was among the 'Captains and Officers lately discharged [30 April] and notwithstanding have their entitlements still continued to them by order of the Lords of the Council dated 27 November 1603'<sup>32</sup>. He also took part, with the same rank, in 'the muster of English gentlemen and horsemen of Sir

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<sup>27</sup>Some funeral entries of Ireland c1632-1729, from Additional Manuscript 4820 in the British Library originally from the Genealogical Office, Dublin and printed as Vol 7 of *J Preservation of Memorials of Dead Ireland* (1907) with W FITZGERALD editor.

<sup>28</sup>The birth date of this William GREATRAKES is given in 'Notes on the Family Greatrakes' *Reliquary* Vol 4 & 5, July 1863 by Reverend Samuel HAYMAN as being 1573. However it seems likely that he was born in 1593 as Wiliam GREATRAKES senior is said to have built a fortified house on 10Norresland and started the production of cider at New Aughmaine (pronounced Affane) both these bear strong resemblance to the lands granted to Richard CROKER in 1591/2 (Lismore Papers No 6142 folio 99) and may have formed part of the marriage settlement.

<sup>29</sup>Charles Harding Firth and Godfrey Davies, *Regimental History of Cromwell's Army*, (1940) p360 Oxford, the Clarendon Press.

<sup>30</sup>Copy of an original document reproduced in Hayman, op cit.

<sup>31</sup>The establishment of this army signed by Queen Elizabeth in 1598, is given in CAREW manuscript No 635 folio 142 in the Lambeth Palace Library. It gives the rates of pay for all ranks in the army. These range from £10 per day for the Lord Lieutenant to 8d per day for a soldier.

<sup>32</sup>*Calendar of State Papers, Ireland 1603-06*, p168. The entitlement (pay) was at the rate of 1s 6d per day.

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Richard BOYLE's<sup>33</sup> plantation' at Tullow (sic) on 1 September 1611<sup>34</sup>. About this time he married Lucretia, daughter of Walter COPPINGER senior of Curriglass.

In 1611 he is noted as holding 400 acres at Cappoquin for 21 years<sup>35</sup>. From January 1612/3 his name frequently appears in the Earl of Cork's journal and in the Lismore estate accounts and rent books. An early entry (June 1614) describes him as son-in-law of Walter COPPINGER<sup>36</sup> and states that he was promised a lease for 4980 years by the Earl<sup>37</sup>. Some 225 acres of Affane land was bought in *Hugh's* name in February 1615/6<sup>38</sup>. In 1637 he was paying £17-3-4 half yearly for 225 acres of Aughemane (Affane) land. From March 1616/7 to 1633 the journal mentions various grants of leases at Cappoquin including, from the latter year, the castle, mill and lands there<sup>39</sup>. The Earl of Cork extended the leases for the castle lands and mill of Cappoquin for twenty-one years from 1637<sup>40</sup>.

The accounts and lease books show payments, sometimes late, for various properties including Cappoquin (town, castle, corn mills and land) the Tythes of Affane parish, Clottahenney, Flemings land, Aughemane land, Marshallstown, the conney warren of Ballyla, Coolgortbeg and Ballyanker. In a deposition about the 1641 rebellion *Hugh* states that his lease on Cappoquin has seventeen years to run and that it gave him a profit of £540 per annum.

He was one of the twelve jurors who met at Waterford on 5 September 1617 'touching the liberties' of that city<sup>41</sup>; and in July 1627 was he among the fourteen commissioners charged with raising £700 from the county of Waterford — presumably for the Army<sup>42</sup>. However, things were not always easy for him: in December 1627, Lord Cork records that he prevented *Hugh* from being sheriff of the county because 'he owes me money'<sup>43</sup>, and there are other references to him being in debt to the Earl. On 17 June 1637, *Hugh* is described for the first time as 'of Ballyanker' instead of as 'Ensign' or only his first name. He is given as

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<sup>33</sup>He was created Baron Youghal in 1616 and Earl of Cork in 1620, but is generally referred to by his earldom, to avoid confusion, even though this may sometimes be an anachronism.

<sup>34</sup>*Calendar of CAREW Mss*, Vol 6, p87.

<sup>35</sup> Inquisition Post Mortem, Undertaker's obligations, taken at Tallow on 30/08/1611 <https://virtualtreasury.ie/item?isadgReferenceCode=RIA%20OS%20EI%2F75%2F15> accessed 20 July 2022.

<sup>36</sup>A B Grosant *the Lismore Papers*, 1886 a typescript draft appears in Casey, V 6, p348.

<sup>37</sup>Lismore Papers, National Library of Ireland Ms 6140 folio 190.

<sup>38</sup>Casey, V 6 p 357.

<sup>39</sup>*Conna and Desmond*, p143.

<sup>40</sup>Lismore Papers NLI Ms6142 folio 26.

<sup>41</sup>*Calendar of Carew Mss*, V 6, p341.

<sup>42</sup>*Calendar of State Papers Ireland 1625-32*, p252.

<sup>43</sup>Lismore papers, Casey V 6, p1244. According to a note by Col Grove WHITE in his copy of L'ESTRANGE's *Conna and Desmond*, *Hugh* was High Sheriff in 1642-43. In one of the depositions in the claims for compensation for losses in the Rebellion of 1641 he is described as Captain *Hugh* (High Sheriff of Waterford). See Appendix A.

assignee of William GREATRAKES for this land about 1635<sup>44</sup>. *Hugh* married for a second time some time prior to 1620.

During the rebellion of 1641 he supported the Earl of Cork who was an early adherent to the Parliamentary cause. On 13 June 1642 he wrote to the Earl of Cork at Youghal requesting reinforcements to replace sick men and stores, particularly powder, to defend Cappoquin<sup>45</sup>. On 26 June 1643, General PURCELL attacked Cappoquin with 4,400 men, but Captain *Hugh* defending the castle and the two other captains held the town so valiantly that the attackers were repulsed with 300 casualties and without loss to the defenders<sup>46</sup>.

The tradition is that *Hugh* died in 1644. He was, however, involved in a council of war on 5 October 1646 concerning the distribution of stores<sup>47</sup>. A number of Munster officers were killed in the President of Munster, Lord Inchiquin's victory over the Irish at Knockninoss (now Knocknanuss), West of Mallow on 13 November 1647<sup>48</sup>. *Hugh* and his son *Walter* (see page 16) may have been among the casualties that day. *Hugh*'s will dated 1642 was proved 1650<sup>49</sup>. It only refers to his family by his later marriage. This probably reflected his belief that his family by his first wife was sufficiently provided for from the estate of her brother *Walter* COPPINGER. His 'eldest' son *John* was to have the lands of Ballyanker. Two Prerogative Grants of Administration of his (of Cappoquin) estate<sup>50</sup> were made: the first dated 11 September 1661 to his daughter *Honora* and the other dated 23 December 1661 was to *John* of City of Limerick, Esq, for *Hugh* the son<sup>51</sup>.

By his first wife *Lucretia* he had:

- *Walter* senior (see page 16);

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<sup>44</sup>Lismore Papers NLI Ms 6140 folio 18.

<sup>45</sup>*The Lismore papers (second series) selections from the private and public correspondence..* Rev Alexander GROSART Vol V c1890 published privately.

<sup>46</sup>Lismore Papers, Casey V 8, p2063. L'ESTRANGE in his *Conne and Desmond*, p143 states 'We find him [*Hugh*] in 1648{?} gallantly resisting the Irish Papists at Cappoquin'. The date appears to be a mistake for 1643.

<sup>47</sup>Historical Manuscripts Commission, *Manuscripts of the Earl of Egmont* London 1920–23.

<sup>48</sup>Charles Smith MD *The Ancient and present State of the County and City of Cork* Book III p160 reproduced in Casey Vol X. See also James BUCKLEY 'The Battle of Knocknanuss, 1647. With an account of the career and death of Sir Alexander MacDonnell' *Cork Historical and Archaeological Soc Journal* Vol V pp109—132 and *A True Relation of a great victory obtained by the forces under the command of Lord Inchiquine in Munster in Ireland, against rebels under the command of Lord Taaff, Novemb. 13. 1647* London Printed for Edward HUSBAND — printer to the House of Commons, 30 November 1647. *The Compleat Irish Traveller* London 1788 Vol II p40 recounts "On each hand of the West entrance of the abbey [at Buttevant], are two huge piles of skulls, which, some say, were brought hither after the battle of Knocninoss, which was fought but five miles hence." Another account notes "most his [Inchiquin's] casualties where from the Cork Plantation" and this led to his being discredited with them.

<sup>49</sup>Fisher papers from the Genealogical Office Dublin, printed in *Irish Ancestor*, V2 (1982). See also THRIFT's abstract in the National Archives Dublin which is more lengthy.

<sup>50</sup>The name Captain *Hugh* appears in the list of landed proprietors who were at risk under the 1652 Act of Settlement in *Burke's Irish Landed Gentry when Cromwell came to Ireland*.

<sup>51</sup>Prerogative Administrations op. cit (see Appendix X).

- *Marie*;
- *Bridget*; and
- *Honor*, said by Betham to have died unmarried and intestate in 1661<sup>52</sup> however she is described as Honora CROKER alias CROCKER in a grant of administration of her father's estate on 11 September 1661<sup>53</sup> perhaps indicating she married a cousin. She may provide the connection to Ballyanker (see page 41). *Honor* and her siblings were named in the grant of administration of their uncle Walter COPPINGER, together with his widow Katherine, on 2 July 1634<sup>54</sup>.

*Hugh*'s second wife is said to have been Alice, believed to have been sister to the brother-in-law Thomas TAYLOR, one of the overseers of *Hugh*'s will. She was to be guardian of their children until they reached the age of twenty-one years. Their children were:

- *John* of Ballyanker who was a Cornet in the Army (see page 41);
- *Thomas* of Cappoquin who made claims for £40-8-5 losses in the rebellion in a deposition dated 13 August 1642 (see section 7.4);
- *Hugh* of Ballyhamlis (see section 7.7); and
- *Barry* of Youghal (see section 7.8)

*Hugh* may have married for a third time to *Elizabeth*. Mrs *Elizabeth* widow appears in the Lismore papers as leasing most of the property previously held by *Hugh* in 1649 through 1652. The siblings of *Thomas* of Ballyanker (see page 41) mentioned in his will of 1704 may be children of *Hugh* and *Elizabeth*.

- *Andrew* of Ballyanker
- *Ann* of Ballyanker.
- ? perhaps two other daughters one of whom may have married Thomas PARKER the other may have been the *Alice* who was married Thomas GARDE who died in 1688<sup>55</sup>.

*Edward*, who was described by his son as 'son of *Thomas*, son of *John* ...' on the burial tablet in the burial ground of Cahircorney, County Limerick<sup>56</sup>; was mentioned as a 'shot fursishest (sic)' in the muster at Tallow, County Waterford, in 1611<sup>57</sup>. He was murdered at Ballyanker in County Waterford at the outbreak of the rebellion on 9 March 1641/2<sup>58</sup>. The pregnant wife

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<sup>52</sup>BETHAM Mss pedigrees Genealogical Office Ms 269 p271 and Ms 276 p180.

<sup>53</sup>Phillip's Manuscript in the Genealogical Office Dublin.

<sup>54</sup>Prerogative Administrations, op cit.

<sup>55</sup>Ms R McCutcheon, letter 4 October 1989.

<sup>56</sup>Reported in Robinson.

<sup>57</sup>*Calendar of Carew Mss*, V 4 p90.

<sup>58</sup>The Rebellion started 23 October 1641. There are number of manuscript depositions describing his murder and the subsequent ordeal of his widow and children held at the Library of Trinity College Dublin. One of these has been previously published in Mary Agnes HICKSON *Ireland in the Seventeenth Century or the Massacres of 1641*, London (1884) Vol II. See also Charles Smith MD, *The Ancient and present State of the County and City of Cork* Book III p126 reproduced in Casey Vol X. The depositions of Thomas DOWNING and John CASY are reproduced at Appendix A.

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and three small children of Thomas DOWNING, his brother-in-law, were also murdered at this time in County Limerick<sup>59</sup>. His wife was Katherine DOWNING daughter of Lt John DOWNING of Ballysaggard, County Waterford and Catherine BROWNE daughter of Sir Valentine BROWNE. They had issue:

- *John* of Ballynagarde (see page 46);
- *Christopher* of Youghal and Ballyleary (see page 109);
- *Michael*, joint titulado of Scoole and Cloghdullerty, County Limerick, with Henry TIRRELL and his brother *John*, in 1659<sup>60</sup>. It is probably he who was of Curraghlass, County Tipperary in 1702, when his will was proved in Killaloe and Kilfenora dioceses. (see page 151)
- *Daughter* (probably *Catherine*) who married James WOOD of Limerick;
- *Daughter* who married James MEAD<sup>61</sup>;
- *Daughter* who married ?? SPENSER. Their son Giles SPENSER of Limerick in his will dated 1689 mentions his uncle *John* and cousin *Edward*.
- ? probably *Daughter*, wife of Henry TIRRELL who was a joint titulos with *John* and *Michael* above. The TYRRELLs are probably related to Sir Robert TYRRELL who was living with *Walter* in 1637 (see section 4.1). There are later intermarriages between CROKERS and TYRRELLs in the Ballynagarde line.

*Christopher* (born circa 1595) described as brother to *Hugh* in Lord Cork's journal in June 1637<sup>62</sup>, when he had bought £290 worth of iron from the Earl, for which *Hugh* stood surety. In 1642 he was named as the first of three overseers of his brother *Hugh*'s will. He was probably a merchant, and since the iron trade was one of Lord Cork's most profitable ventures<sup>63</sup>, no doubt, he too did well. He, aged about 41 years, made a deposition to the High Court of the Admiralty dated 13 April 1636<sup>64</sup>. In this he mentions trading relations with his relation Hugh CROKER, of Exeter, the loss of the ship *Elizabeth* off St Ives and *Christopher*'s factor John TREHAWKE, of Cappelquin. Little is known of him after 1642. After his brother's murder in 1641 he relocated to Dublin. His depositions indicate that he was a wealthy merchant and he was seeking considerable compensation for his losses in the rebellion. He married Mary SMITH by a Cork and Ross licence in 1629, but no children of the marriage are known.

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Colonel Edmund FENNELL was tried at Cork in December 1652 for these murders see also *Waterford and South East Ireland Archaeological Society* V15 (1912) pp146–153.

<sup>59</sup>Most likely Miltowne – the paper of this deposition is torn at a critical point.

<sup>60</sup>Seamus PENDER (Ed), *A Census of Ireland circa 1659 with supplementation from the poll money ordinances 1660–1661*, Stationary Office Dublin 1939.

<sup>61</sup>BETHAM pedigree in the Genealogical Office Dublin — Mss No271 f273.

<sup>62</sup>Lismore Papers, Casey V 8 p2020.

<sup>63</sup>Annotation by Colonel Grove WHITE in L'Estrange's *Conna and Desmond*.

<sup>64</sup>Appleby, John C (Editor); *A calendar of material relating to Ireland from the High Court of Admiralty examinations 1536–1641*; Irish Manuscripts Commission 1992, pp245, 246 and 258.

*William* who is listed with *Edward* as one of the ‘shot furnishest’ in the muster at Tallow in 1611<sup>65</sup> may have been a brother. *William* leased Flemings land for twenty-one years from the Earl of Cork by indenture dated 30 September 1621. *Hugh* took over this lease before 1630 possibly on *William*’s death.

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<sup>65</sup>Carew Mss, V 6 p90.

## Lisnabrin and Nadrid

*Walter senior*, only son of *Hugh* by his first wife Lucretia COPPINGER, was named as nephew and one of the administrators along with his three sisters and the widow Katherine, of the estate of Walter COPPINGER<sup>66</sup> on 3 July 1634<sup>67</sup>. He was made freeman of Youghal on 6 October 1634<sup>68</sup>, probably in succession to his uncle<sup>69</sup>. He was then described as ‘gent’. On 27 April 1637, *Walter* agreed before witnesses to surrender a void lease to Lord Cork. The lease was granted earlier to *Walter* and ‘mother’ Mrs MANSFIELD but had expired on her death<sup>70</sup>. His mother is most likely his mother-in-law. Modellegie was leased by Lord Cork by indenture dated 21 February 1614/5 to Reginald MANSELL for the lives of Elizabeth his wife and Anthony their son. The lease was extended to Elizabeth MANSELL and her daughter Jane in 1629. Later in 1637 *Walter* is granted a lease by Lord Cork on Modellegie for his life and the lives of his wife *Jane* and their son *Walter* from Michelmas 1637<sup>71</sup>. In April 1640 Lord Cork directs that a sum of money be paid to Lord MAYNARD’s agent ‘Sir Robert [TERRELL<sup>72</sup>] in Ireland who lives with *Walter* at Curriglass’<sup>73</sup>. The house there was, most likely, part of his inheritance from his uncle. *Walter* was paying rent for 248 acres of Lisnabrin and for Curryglass in 1637.

In 1642 he was a captain in the Lord President of Munster’s regiment along with Lt Col WALLER<sup>74</sup>. He was commissioned as a Lieutenant Colonel in Colonel Sir Hardress WALLER’s Regiment of Foot on 10 December 1645<sup>75</sup>. Another captain of the regiment in 1649 was Capt Richard BENT. Lt Col *Walter* was involved in a council of war at Cork on 6 October 1646 which authorised the distribution of stores<sup>76</sup>. Captain *Hugh* was involved in another council of war the previous day at Mallow discussing the same issue.

Although *Walter* seems to have remained in Ireland the Regiment saw action in England. Sir Hardress WALLER with half of the Regiment was sent as reinforcement to Kinsale in December 1649. It was brought to full strength in Ireland by recruits from the Munster garrisons, some of which declared for the Parliament.

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<sup>66</sup>Said to have been a godson of Sir Walter RALEIGH (L’Estrange: *Conna and Desmond* p141.)

<sup>67</sup>Prerogative Administrations, Phillips Mss, National Archives Dublin. COPPINGER, Walter of Lisnabrin, Co Cork, Gt to Kathe COPPINGER the widow and Relict, Walter CROKER, Marie CROKER, Bridget & Honor CROKER Nephew and nieces Admon granted 2d day July 1634.

<sup>68</sup>*Council Book of the Corporation of Youghal*.

<sup>69</sup>Walter COPPINGER was admitted freeman of Youghal 28 April 1634, *ibid*.

<sup>70</sup>Lismore Papers Edited Vol IV p5 by Rev Alexander GROSART published privately c1890.

<sup>71</sup>Lismore Papers, NLI Ms 6239.

<sup>72</sup>The Lismore Papers in this case have TERRELL but the spelling is variable in other places TYRRELL and TIRRELL.

<sup>73</sup>Lismore Papers, Casey V 8 p2042.

<sup>74</sup>Historical Manuscripts Commission *Calendar of Ormonde Manuscripts*, p135.

<sup>75</sup>Original Commission held at PRO, Belfast ref D350.

<sup>76</sup>Historical Manuscripts Commission, *Calendar of Egmont Manuscripts*.



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A number of Munster officers were killed in the President of Munster Lord Inchiquin's victory over the Irish at Knockninoss (now Knocknanuss) west of Mallow on 13 November 1647<sup>77</sup>. *Walter* and his father *Hugh* may have among the casualties that day. The confused account supposedly linking *Hugh* of Cappoquin and the battle of Conna given in *Conna and Desmond* by Rev A G L'ESTRANGE may well relate to the wounding of Lt-Col *Walter* at Knocknanuss. The apparent confusion in the story accords well with the falling back of the English forces under the initial assault under Sir Alexander MAC DONNELL when several officers fell. The 1650 battle of Conna occurred after *Walter*'s death. *Walter* was described as deceased in a lease of Lisnabrin to *Barry* dated June 1649<sup>78</sup>

An 'other' Prerogative Grant of Administration of the estate of *Walter senior* of Lisnabrew {Lisnabrin} was made in 1661, but the primary purpose of this is likely to have been the settlement of Army arrears for deceased claimants. His wife was Jane MANSELL a daughter of Reginald and Elizabeth MANSELL (also called MAUNSELL and MANSFIELD) mentioned above. They married circa 1630 as *Jane* was unmarried in 1629 and their son *Walter* was old enough to be included as a life in the lease of Modgellie so must have been more than a baby in 1637. Their issue include:

- *Walter Junior* of Lisnabrin; and
- *Thomas* of Kilclogher who is said have died without issue and may have provided for his nephew and namesake *Thomas* of Kilclogher.

*Walter junior* of Lisnabrin<sup>79</sup> the eldest child of *Walter senior*, appears to be he who is named, with no rank, in the list of landed proprietors drawn up for the Act of Settlement of 1652<sup>80</sup>, though he was still a minor. He is clearly the Ensign CROKER referred to by Lord Orrery<sup>81</sup> as having been given the Lisnabrin estate by Cromwell<sup>82</sup>, since in 1659 he was serving as an ensign in that nobleman's Company at Cork<sup>83</sup>. No titulado is entered in the census that year against the townland of Lisnabrin, although six English were living there<sup>84</sup>. *Walter* was still in the same company in August 1662, when he was one of the officers of the army in Limerick, Clare and Kerry who sent a loyal address to James, Duke of Ormonde, the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland<sup>85</sup>. He appears in Army Lists for 1664, 1674 and 25 December 1678 in Lord Orrery's Company stationed at Limerick. It is not known when he married but it seems clear that he married Mary daughter of Captain Richard BENT. A *Walter* appears to have

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<sup>77</sup>Charles Smith MD *The Ancient and present State of the County and City of Cork* Book III p160 reproduced in Casey Vol X.

<sup>78</sup>Lismore Papers Ms6143f83.

<sup>79</sup> Lisnabrin House is still standing and inhabited. See: Hajba, Anna-Maria, *Houses of Cork: Volume I: North Cork*, Ballinakella Press, Whitegate, Clare Ireland (2002) p244 for sketch by Michael O'Sullivan

<sup>80</sup>*Burke's Irish Landed Gentry when Cromwell came to Ireland.*

<sup>81</sup>Roger BOYLE, third son of the first Earl of Cork, created Baron Broghill in 1627 and Earl of Orrery in 1660.

<sup>82</sup>See above.

<sup>83</sup>*A Census of Ireland circa 1659*

<sup>84</sup>*Ibid*

<sup>85</sup>*Calendar of State Papers Ireland 1660-62.*

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died in 1684 of flux of the liver<sup>86</sup> perhaps on the Ballinagarde branch. He, however, died on 23 November 1700 aged 65 years and was buried in a family vault in Conna parish. His wife *Mary*<sup>87</sup>, who was living a widow in 1726<sup>88</sup>. She and *Walter* had ten children:

- *Richard* of Lisnabrin and Nadrid (see below);
- *John* of Dublin (see page 32);
- *Samuel* of Cork (see page 29);
- *Bent* of Youghal (see page 37);
- *Mary* married in 1698 by Cloyne marriage licence Nathaniel WESTON of Tallow, Co Waterford. He married secondly Mary CLARKE daughter of Daniel CLARKE a merchant in Tallow with marriage settlement in the Registry of Deeds<sup>89</sup>;
- Daughter who married Harry WALLIS, probably of Drishane, County Cork, who was living in 1726;
  - Elizabeth WALLIS whose marriage settlement with George WALLIS involved a contingent rent charge on Lisnabrin<sup>90</sup> and other lands.
- *Elizabeth* married in 1706 Thomas BURGESS by Cloyne marriage licence;
- *Jane* unmarried in 1720 when mentioned in her brother Richard's will;
- *Thomas II* of Kilclogher (see page ); and
- *William* of Loughboy who died 12 Jan 1768 aged 84 years. (See page 32 below – Mrs *Sarah*, of Loughboy who was buried at St Minchan's, Dublin in 1758).

*Richard* [b c1670-80], the eldest son of *Walter junior* of Lisnabrin is generally given the rank of Colonel<sup>91</sup>. He bought the estate of Nadrid, on the river Lee, in August 1709 and adjacent land at Roovesmore in October the following year<sup>92</sup>. In both these transactions he was described as of Curryglass but in a deed of 1717<sup>93</sup> and in his will dated 29 June 1720 he gives

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<sup>86</sup>Edward MacLysaght (ed) *Calendar of Orrery papers Manuscripts* Irish Manuscripts Commission (1941) p337

<sup>87</sup>Most likely the daughter of Captain Richard BENT who was a guest of Lord ORRERY with Ensign CROKER on Saturday 5 July 1679 as recorded in the *Calendar of Orrery Manuscripts*. He is Richard BENT of Carrigacotta (or Carrignacota), County Cork, who died 10 April 1680 and whose wife Mary died 17 February 1678-9. Their memorial in Cloyne Cathedral is described in *Journal of the Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland*, V27(1897) p308. His will (not seen) was proved at Cloyne in 1680.

<sup>88</sup>Marriage settlement of her grandson *Walter*, Registry of Deeds, Book 52 Page 6 Memorial 33249.

<sup>89</sup>Registry of Deeds — Book 49 page 244 Memorial 31809

<sup>90</sup>Registry of Deeds — Book 34 Page 128 Memorial 20866.

<sup>91</sup>We have not found his name in the extant *Army Lists* which might mean that the rank was for the Militia. It may also mean that he was a Lieutenant Colonel. The entry in the burial registers for St Michans, Dublin, says Colonel Richard CROKER.

<sup>92</sup>Registry of Deeds, 1709 Company for Making Hollow Sword Blades to CROKER Book 4 Page 67 Memorial 734 & Book 4 Page 72 Memorial 735, and 1710 MERYDYTH to CROKER Book 6 Page 128 Memorial 1563. These deeds are abstracted in Casey.

<sup>93</sup>Registry of Deeds, 1717 Book 17 Page 357 Memorial 9103.

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Nadrid as his residence<sup>94</sup>. However, his son in his marriage settlement in 1726 states that he is the eldest son and heir of *Richard* of Lisnabrin. He was appointed High Sheriff of the County of Cork in 1715<sup>95</sup>, in which year he bought more land<sup>96</sup>. He was buried at St Michan's, Dublin on 20 November 1725<sup>97</sup>. In his will dated 29 June 1720 and proved 3 February 1826/7 he mentions his wives, his children, his mother most of his brothers and sisters. This long and complicated will is extant and entailed much of his property. A transcript is at Appendix C. His first wife was Elizabeth daughter of Robert NETTLES senior, their children were:

- *Walter* of Curriglass (see page 20);
- *Mary* (b c 1703) who married John WIDENHAM of Johnstown, county Cork, circa 26 November 1726 and died in April 1729 leaving two daughters. John WIDENHAM sued *Alice*, *Bent*, and *Richard* for his £400 marriage portion and stated that Francis CRIPS had already obtained his £400 marriage portion<sup>98</sup>;
- *Catherine* married Francis CRIPS her step mother's nephew, also in 1726 (Cork and Ross marriage licence). Perhaps the *Alice* CRIPS baptised 10 March 1729 at St Mary's, Limerick is their daughter.
- *Frances*.

*Richard*'s second wife was *Alice* CRIPS whom he married about 1709. She was party to various deeds in 1745 in conjunction with her son *Richard*<sup>99</sup>. She died near Crosses Green in May 1764<sup>100</sup>. She was mother of the following:

- *John* of Nadrid (see page 28);
- *Richard* of Dublin. In 1742 and 1745 he and his mother executed several deeds relating to his father's will of which she was executrix. He is not mentioned in his brother *John*'s will, so he had probably died without issue before 1794.
- *Alice* or *Anice* married Thomas FURLONGE circa 3 July 1750 (Cork and Ross marriage licence<sup>101</sup>). Her husband died probably just before 3 February 1755 when

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<sup>94</sup> A copy of this will is in extant in the prerogative will Book for 1726. See Appendix C for a transcription.

<sup>95</sup> *Ancient and present state of County Cork*, Charles Smith V 1 p464.

<sup>96</sup> Registry of Deeds, 1715 Bok 14 Page 314 Memorial 6299.

<sup>97</sup> Registers of St Michan in *Lists* by Capt Cary at the Society of Genealogists, London.

<sup>98</sup> Swanzy manuscript p223 – Irish Genealogical Research Society London. See also Registry of Deeds 62.250.43157.

<sup>99</sup> Registry of Deeds, 1742 Book 118 Page 212 Memorial 80507 and 1745 Book 118 Page 453 Memorial 81483.

<sup>100</sup> Newspaper report in issue dated 22 May 1764 abstracted in Casey V 15, p2558. *Freeman's Journal* — Cork May 17 [1764] ... Same day died near Crosses Green advanced in years, Mrs *Alice* CROKER, Relict of the late Colonel CROKER of Curryglass.

<sup>101</sup> Registry of Deeds Book 172 Page 136 Memorial 115447

*Alice* mortgaged diverse holdings of land to obtain an income for herself and her son William who was then a minor<sup>102</sup>.

- William FURLONGE their son may be the William FURLONG, Esq one of the most eminent solicitors in Ireland whose death aged 76 was reported in the *Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel* of 13 October 1829. He became an attorney in the Exchequer in 1772. He appears to have married Constance SMITH by Dublin marriage licence bond in 1777.
  - William Croker FURLONG third son of William FURLONG and Constance SMITH also became an attorney in 1809 after starting his studied in 1804<sup>103</sup>. His wife was Sarah FARRAN who he married in 1819.



- The Rev Charles Arthur FURLONG eldest son of William Croker FURLONG and married in 1855 appears to be of this line<sup>104</sup>.

*Walter*, son of *Richard* by his first marriage inherited the paternal estates of Lisnabrin, Roovesmore, Curriglass and half the ploughland of Moggeely<sup>105</sup> married Anne, daughter of Francis GREY of the City of Cork in 1726 by Cork and Ross licence. She brought with her a dowry of £1300. In the marriage settlement of 2 and 3 September that year he names his uncle *John* of Dublin as his heir, to the exclusion of his half-brothers in the event of failure of issue of his marriage<sup>106</sup>. Anne was living in 1733<sup>107</sup> but she died before 1739 when *Walter* married for a second time by a Cloyne licence, to another Anne, daughter of Edward LANDY or LAWNDY<sup>108</sup> and his second wife Anne MEADE and not his first wife Catherine CROKER (see page 111). She died at Curryglass House in June 1763<sup>109</sup>. *Walter* described himself as of Curryglass when he made his will in 1775. Although it was proved at Cloyne in 1793<sup>110</sup>, he died before 1783 when he is described as deceased in a deed dated 20 November of that year<sup>111</sup>. By his first marriage to Anne nee GREY he had a daughter:

- *Frances*, who married Thomas MOORE by Cloyne licence in 1748. Her dowry comprised the townland of Cregg in the Barony of Fermoy<sup>112</sup>. She appears to have died

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<sup>102</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 173 Page 540 Memorial 117212.

<sup>103</sup>*Kings Inn Admission Papers*, Irish Manuscripts Commission.

<sup>104</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 17 September 1855 – September 12, at Llanbeblig, Carnarvonshire, the Rev Charles Arthur FURLONG, eldest son of William Croker FURLONG Esq of Leeson Street, to Jane, eldest daughter of Henry COURTNEY Esq of Fitzwilliam Place.

<sup>105</sup>Registry of Deeds, 1726 Book 52 Page 6 Memorial 33249.

<sup>106</sup>Registry of Deeds, 1726 Book 52 Page 6 Memorial 33249.

<sup>107</sup>Mentioned in the will of her brother dated that year. See CASEY V14 p731.

<sup>108</sup>Most likely the husband of the *Catherine* daughter of *Thomas* of Youghal (see Section 13.2ii) but by his second wife Anne MEADE.

<sup>109</sup>*Faulkner's Dublin Journal*, 18-21 June 1763 'Died last week ...'.

<sup>110</sup>*Irish Ancestor*, XIV (1982) and more fully Thrift abstract 2142 in the National Archives Dublin.

<sup>111</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 354 Page 397 Memorial 239292

<sup>112</sup>Registry of Deeds, 5 Oct 1748 Book 141 Page 546 Memorial 99331.

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prior to November 1783. His will dated 15 June 1793 proved 7 August 1799 mentions their marriage articles dated 5 October 1748 and the following children:

- James MOORE;
- Thomas MOORE (d s p);
- Anne MOORE who married Henry ADAMS;
- Elizabeth MOORE who married John SMITH;
- Sarah MOORE;
- Jane MOORE;
- Mary MOORE; and
- Frances MOORE.

By his second marriage to Anne nee LANDY or LAWNDY he had:

- *Edward* of Curriglass and Lisnabrin (see below);
- *Richard* who is mentioned in his father's will in relation to loans taken out for his advancement and property held in trust for his life but paying rent to him. He was in the army in the 5th Regiment of Foot where he was made Lieutenant on 1 April 1783, Captain on 29 November 1780 and went on half pay in 1783. He was of Vinepark<sup>113</sup> (part of the Lisnabrin estate) when involved in a deed in 1807<sup>114</sup>. He married Sophia Amilia JANVERINE at St Anne's, Dublin on 18 May 1781 by a Prerogative marriage licence. His will was proved on 22 July 1818 which was in PCC<sup>115</sup>. He appointed his brother *Edward* and nephew Walter MAGUIRE as his executors. The following are children of *Richard* and Sophia.
  - *Richard*, the eldest son, joined the 5th Regiment as ensign on 14 August 1805<sup>116</sup> and was promoted to Lieutenant on 15 January 1807. He married Catherine SMITH daughter of Henry SMITH at Castle Lyons church circa 6 March 1808<sup>117</sup>. His widow married secondly Robert BERRY of Kilmallock, county Limerick, at

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<sup>113</sup> Vineparh House is still standing and inhabited. See: Hajba, Anna-Maria, *Houses of Cork: Volume I: North Cork*, Ballinakella Press, Whitegate, Clare Ireland (2002) p256.

<sup>114</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 594 Page 285 Memorial 402982.

<sup>115</sup>PROB 11/1606

<sup>116</sup> National Archives Kew WO31/188 — Captain Richard CROKER, formerly of the fifth foot, having offered his services in the line about a year ago, he was informed that they could not be accepted, but that a commission would be granted to his eldest son Richard, provided he should be approved by a gen[era]l officer. He was accordingly inspected by Gen[era]l PAGET at Fermoy in Ireland, and strongly recommended by that officer in a letter to Col CLINTON.

<sup>117</sup>*Cork Merchantile Chronicle* — 11 March 1808 – On Sunday last, at Castle Lyons church, co Cork, Lt CROKER of the 5th Regt of Foot to Miss Catherine SMITH, daughter of Henry SMITH Esq

Castlehyde church circa 19 November 1823<sup>118</sup> (Cloyne MLB) and died on 24 March 1835<sup>119</sup>. He predeceased his father.

- *Edward* who was made an Ensign on 23 August 1813 in 102<sup>nd</sup> regiment<sup>120</sup> but spent a deal of time on half pay until promoted to Lieutenant from 24 August 1826 in the 91st Regiment. When he died on 16 November 1829 at Tullamore, county Offaly he was buried at Killeigh church aged 39. His will was proved in PCC<sup>121</sup> and in it he mentions only his wife Anne LOWE and his father Captain *Richard* of Curryglass, county Cork. Anne married secondly Philip BELTON by a Dublin licence circa 13 October 1830 and marriage settlement in the Registry of Deeds<sup>122</sup>. She died 21 September 1853<sup>123</sup>.

In addition, *Richard* senior of Vinepark had four extramarital children with his housekeeper Catherine CONNOR mentioned in his will. These children seem to have been Catholic and thus their uncles did not recognise them. The three eldest with their mother appear in a lease of Vine Park in 1816<sup>124</sup>.

- *Walter*
- *Arthur*
  - Perhaps *Arthur Richard* who was buried a Rathcooney descends from here.
- *James*
- *Nicholas* in a deed in 1830 *Nicholas* sold his rights from his father's will to his half-brother *Edward*'s widow Anne CROKER nee LOWE<sup>125</sup>.

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<sup>118</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 19 November 1823 – At Castlehyde church, co Cork, Robert BARRY Esq of Kilmallock to Catherine widow of Richard CROKER Esq Lt of the 5th Regt of Foot

<sup>119</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 1 April 1835 – At Kilmallock, in her 54th year, after a long and painful illness which she bore with Christian resignation Catherine, wife of Robert BERRY, and relict of the late Lt Richard CROKER of the 5th Regt

**Memorial Inscription Kilmallock churchyard:** To the memory | of | Mrs Catherine BERRY | erected by her husband | She died March 24<sup>th</sup> 1835 | aged 55 years | Also Robert BERRY Esq | who erected this stone | and died August 26<sup>th</sup> 1844

<sup>120</sup> National Archives Kew WO 31/364 — I certify that Edward CROKER of Tallow in the county of Cork is the son of Captain CROKER on Half pay of the 5<sup>th</sup> Regt of foot of respectable family that he has received a good Education & his bodily health good, is eighteen years of age five foot ten inches in height and is ready to join my Regiment in His Majesty's Service — Fermoy 25<sup>th</sup> January 1812 L S ORDE Maj General

<sup>121</sup> National Archives Kew PROB 11/1768

<sup>122</sup> Book 864 Page 320 Memorial [575820](#)

<sup>123</sup> *Dublin Evening Mail* – 28 September 1856 – September suddenly, at Clonaslee, Mrs Anne BELTON, relict of Philip BELTON, Esq., of Tullamore, King's County.

*Kings County Chronicle* – 28 September 1853 – Inquests were held by William CLARKE, Esq., Coroner, Queen's County, at Clonaslee, on the body of Anne BELTON, who died suddenly. The jury found that the deceased came to her death from natural causes, on 21<sup>st</sup> instant.

<sup>124</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 711 Page 259 Memorial [486795](#)

<sup>125</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 861 Page 299 Memorial [574299](#)

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- *Anne* married Arthur MAGUIRE at St Mary's Dublin, on 29 October 1759 by a Dublin consistory licence dated 12 September. Arthur was an attorney<sup>126</sup> and one of the Six Clerks of the Court of Chancery<sup>127</sup>. She died 24 October 1809 and he died on 10 June 1810 aged 86. They had a large family:
  - Walter MAGUIRE who died on 9 July 1849 aged 81 and was buried at Mogeely, county Cork,
  - (Reverend) Arthur MAGUIRE
  - Edward MAGUIRE
  - William MAGUIRE
  - Joseph MAGUIRE
  - Thomas MAGUIRE who died on 29 January 1846 aged 76 and was buried at Mogeely, county Cork
  - Francis MAGUIRE
  - Elizabeth MAGUIRE
  - Mary MAGUIRE who together with her sister Elizabeth MAGUIRE were unmarried in 1810<sup>128</sup>.
  - Anne Croker MAGUIRE married George GILES of Robinstown, Co Wexford, on 3 March 1791 at St Anne, Dublin. Their marriage settlement is in the Registry of Deeds<sup>129</sup>.
- *Mary* married the Reverend Walter GILES. The 1765 Cloyne licence for marriage between *Mary* and William GILES may perhaps refer to them. She was buried at Youghal 23 March 1811 when she is described as the relict of Reverend Walter GILES. He died on 19 September 1794<sup>130</sup>.
- *Alice* of Youghal was unmarried in 1793 when she proved her father's will of which she was sole executrix.

*Edward* was eldest son of *Walter* of Curryglass, but a child of the second marriage. As a member of the leading family of that place, he would have had some involvement in the formation of the Military Society there, which obtained 40 musquets, bayonets and cartouche boxes from the Cork Armoury on 6 November 1778, upon deposit with the Mayor of a bond for £100. These societies were set up voluntarily that year for fear of a French invasion.

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<sup>126</sup>*Pue's Occurrences* — 7 February 1747 – Yesterday Edward FARRELL, John NICHOLSON, Cha FAVEEN, Benjamin Gale, Arthur MAGUIRE, — SAVAGE, Alexander FRANKLYN, Boyle VANDELEER, Benjamin LYNCH, Edward BOND and John CARR Gent. Were admitted and sworn attornies of his Majesty's Court of Exchequer.

<sup>127</sup>*Pue's Occurrences* — 25 March 1755 – Arthur MAGUIRE Esq is appointed a six clerk of the Court of Chancery in the Room of Walter GLASCOCK Esq deceased

<sup>128</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 629 Page 473 Memorial 436860.

<sup>129</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 431 Page 405 Memorial 280893.

<sup>130</sup>*Cork Gazette and Generai Advertizer* — 1 October 1794 – The 19th instant (sic), at Youghal, the Rev Walter GILES. *Freeman's Journal* 1 October 1794 — at the College of Youghal, the Rev Walter GILES.

*Edward* was admitted a freeman at large of Youghal on 16 October 1780, when he was described as of Curryglass. Cork City also conferred its freedom upon him on 31 August 1797. He was of Curryglass, but when he witnessed a deed in November 1812 he was of Lisnabrin House, County Cork. He was twice married, firstly to Anna Maria MINCHIN in 1769 by Cloyne licence, and secondly, in May 1781<sup>131</sup>, to Thomasina daughter of Reverend Charles PHILLIPS, rector of Magoorney, near Nadrid. The death of *Anna Maria* may have been that reported as follows in the *Freeman's Journal* on 2-4 January 1776 "at Youghall the wife of Mr CROKER of Kurryglass". He died on 21 December 1821<sup>132</sup>. His will was proved in the Prerogative Court in 1822 and his widow's there in 1823. A certified copy of his will is in the Land Commission papers. By his first wife he had issue:

- *Walter* died before 1784;
- *Richard* said to have died without issue<sup>133</sup>. He was admitted to the Middle Temple, London, of 17 July 1783, at the not unusually young age of 15. The entry describes him as son of *Edward* of Curryglass, County Cork. He held chambers in the Middle Temple and lived in London until 1803 when he apparently died. He was not, however, ever admitted to the Bar. He may be the *Richard* who, by his wife *Rebecca*, had a son *Richard* born 25 February 1789 and baptised at St James, Piccadilly, on 7 April.
- *Anne*;
- *Elizabeth*; and
- *Harriet* married Nicholas GILES by Cork and Ross licence in 1798.

By his second wife *Thomasina* his children were:

- *Robert Nettles* born 17 January 1782, MD Edinburgh 1804 with a dissertation on vaccination, Assistant Surgeon in 12th Regiment of Foot 15 May 1805 until 20 May 1814. He was admitted an assistant surgeon on the East India Establishment in April 1807<sup>134</sup>. He departed Madras for England on 7 May 1810 per the *William Pitt*<sup>135</sup>. He then seems to have remained in London where he died 18 June 1856<sup>136</sup>. His will dated 7 October 1847 and proved PCC 9 July 1856<sup>137</sup> mentions some London property which was settled upon him by the will of Robert NETTLES of Nettlesville, County Cork. This may have been what enabled him to resign from the Army and set up in Britain. It certainly influenced his father to pass most of the parental estate onto the next eldest

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<sup>131</sup> *Freemans Journal* 5–8 May 1781 — Mr Edward CROKER of Curriglass to Miss PHILIPS eldest daughter of late Rev Charles PHILIPS.

<sup>132</sup> Registry of Deeds 1857 Volume 10 Folio 269

<sup>133</sup> Betham Ms269 p292 and Ms276 p171 give him as died sans progeny. This may simply indicate that there were no 24 *Irish* records about him.

<sup>134</sup> *Madras Courier* 22 April 1807.

<sup>135</sup> *Madras Almanac* 1811 — <http://www.fibis.org/>

<sup>136</sup> Probate documents also see his obituary *Gentleman's Magazine*, 1856 part II. *The Times* — 21 June 1856 — On the 18<sup>th</sup> inst. At No. 14, Georgina-street, Camden-town, Robert Nettles CROKER, M.D., H.E.I.C.'s Service, in the 76<sup>th</sup> year of his age.

Registry of Deeds 1857 Volume 10 Folio 269

<sup>137</sup> PRO PROB 2235 f269.



son. He was living with Mrs Anne Lloyd BOWSER in Marylebone in 1841 and seems to have been of cantankerous nature as he was charged with assault on two occasions in that year. He charged one of the 'victims' with assault. These cases were reported in *The Times* on 10 and 20 December 1841. They make interesting reading. He lived with Ann Lloyd BOWSER from circa 1838<sup>138</sup>. He married Mrs Ann Lloyd BOWSER (nee LEWIS) on 5 September 1847 at Gorbals, Lanarkshire, Scotland. Their marriage was also registered at Liverpool in September quarter 1847. His will proved in PCC, mentions the burial plot of Miss Anne LLOYD apparently the daughter of Ann Lloyd BOWSER by her common-law husband Samuel BOWSER to whom she was 'fictitiously' married<sup>139</sup>. His widow died 7 July 1866. They are buried in St John, Hampstead<sup>140</sup>.

- *Walter* of Lisnabrin (see below)
- *Edward* who joined the 84th Regiment of Foot as an Ensign 8 January 1807 aged 17 years 11 months, and became Lieutenant 14 April 1808 and Captain 24 June 1816. He went on half pay 18 October 1820 and was still on half pay in 1845. *Edward* was the agent of Robert KING, 4th Earl Kingston<sup>141</sup>. He married at Ahern church Frances Masters PYNE second daughter of Capt Arthur PYNE<sup>142</sup> and Mary MASTERS<sup>143</sup> of Ballyvolane, County Cork on 25 November 1824. He died at Lisfinny Castle on 17 May 1872 aged 82 years<sup>144</sup>. She died at Linfinny Castle on 21 January 1876. They had issue:
  - *Mary Frances* born 25 November 1825. She married on 4 January 1847 at Ahern church, John GARDE-BROWNE of Dublin, barrister at law and second son of the late John BROWNE of Coolreway House, county Cork<sup>145</sup>. They had a son born at Lisfinny Castle on 11 November 1857<sup>146</sup>.

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<sup>138</sup> *The Guardian* – 2 July 1845 –

<sup>139</sup> *The Guardian* — 2 July 1845 – Strange Case [gives an account of Anne Lloyd BOWSER's history, the custody dispute regarding her child and states that Anne Lloyd BOWSER had been living with Robert Nettles CROKER for seven years as his housekeeper.]

<sup>140</sup> Sacred to the memory of | Robert Nettles CROKER Esqr MD | of Lambeth in Surry, Baggotstown in the County of Limerick | and Aherlamore in the county of Cork} who died in London on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of June 1856 aged 76years | this monument has been erected | by his beloved wife Ann CROKER | Sacred to the memory of | Ann the widow of Robert Nettles CROKER | who died the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July 1866 aged 60 years. [Hampstead St John monumental inscriptions from Society of Genealogists]

<sup>141</sup> See *Irish Genealogist* Vol 9, No 4 p520.

<sup>142</sup> H F Morris, the Pynes of county Cork IG (1986) Vol 7 No 1 p42

<sup>143</sup> Cork Gazette and General Advertizer — 28 June 1794 – This day at Lower Shandon church, by the Rev Mr CAMPION, Arthur PYNE Esq Captain in His Majesty's Land Service to the highly accomplished Miss MASTERS daughter of Jasper MASTERS of Castle Masters Esq with a fortune of £500 per annum

<sup>144</sup> *Cork Constitution* 24 May 1872

<sup>145</sup> See also marriage settlement Registry of Deeds, Book 1847 Volume 2 folio 252

<sup>146</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 17 November 1857 – November 11, at Lisfinney Castle, the wife of J Garde BROWNE, Esq, of Herbert Place, of a son.

- Frances Jane (Fanny) GARDE-BROWNE who was recorded, aged 40, in the 1911 census living with her aunt *Frances* in the 1911 census. Her aunt's probate was granted to her.
- Mary C GARDE-BROWNE who was recorded, aged 40, in the 1911 census living with her aunt *Frances* in the 1911 census.
- *Edward Arthur* born 10 November 1827 who was a medical student of Hollis Street Dublin when he made a deed in 1857<sup>147</sup>. He married Margaret FORDE, daughter of Sandes FORDE, on 5 October 1857. Dr *Edward* died on 9 August 1901 apparently with no male heirs.
- *Thomasina* who married her cousin Rev William Richards VOWELL 3 May 1853.
  - A son<sup>148</sup>
  - A daughter<sup>149</sup> probably Thomasine Masters VOWELL who married on 7 July 1897 Gage Spotswood GREEN, of Dartmouth Square, Dublin
- *Doratheia* who married Wallace Adams WALKER son of the late Capt WALKER late of the 17th Lancers on 14 October 1869. She was recorded, aged 76, in the 1911 census living with her sister *Frances* in the 1911 census.
- *Frances(Fanny)* who was the executor of her aunt *Mary's* will in 1875. She was aged 70 and living at 29 Leeson Street Upper, Dublin in the 1911 census. She died there on 21 July 1911 and probate was granted at Dublin to Fanny Jane Garde BROWNE spinster and sealed at London on 12 October 1911.
- *Charles Phillips* born 1793. A physician, BA spring 1819, MB 1822 and MD 1840 from Trinity College<sup>150</sup>. He wrote to his distant cousin *Crofton* (see page 34) at the Admiralty after his brother *Walter's* death to ask for assistance in getting a pension for his widow. Member of the Royal Irish Academy, President of Kings and Queens College of Physicians in Ireland 1837. Presented a paper to that college 18 January that year, which was published in the Dublin Journal of Medical Science XI (1857) pp367–373. He married Elizabeth PYNE by a Faculty Office marriage license dated 13 November 1830. His wife died on 20 January 1832<sup>151</sup> and was buried at St Thomas Dublin. He in 1870. He resided at 7 Merion Square, Dublin.

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<sup>147</sup>Registry of Deeds Year 1857 Volume 33 No 197 abstracted in Casey.

<sup>148</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 11 March 1858 – In Lisfinny Castle, Tallow, the wife of the Rev William R VOWELL, of a son

<sup>149</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 20 July 1860 – July 17, at Clonakilty Rectory, the wife of the Rev Wm. Richards VOWELL of a daughter

<sup>150</sup>George Dames Burtchaell and Thomas Ulick Sadlier *Alumni Dublinenses*, (1924) Dublin.

<sup>151</sup> Limerick Evening post and Clare Sentinel — 29 January 1833 – In Merrion Square, Dublin Elizabeth, wife of C P CROKER Esq MD and daughter of Arthur PYNE Esq of Ballyvolane, co Cork

[Memorial Inscription St Thomas Dublin — Mrs Elizabeth CROKER aged 24 years d 20 Jan 1833 Vault No 3, MAGUIRE]

- *Catherine* married firstly ?? QUIN, secondly ?? GRADY and thirdly Councillor Walter GILES of Coolnagour, County Waterford. A daughter Catherine GILES was a legatee of her aunt *Mary*.
- *Mary* who seems to have received her brother, *Charles Phillips*'s property after his death. She died on 3 January 1875 aged 78 years at 7 Merrion Square, Dublin. There is a copy of her will in the National Archives (T10,0089) and one in the Land Commission Papers.
- *Sarah*.

*Walter*<sup>152</sup>, the second son of the second marriage of *Edward* of Lisnabrin was born 9 March 1784. He entered the Royal Navy as a midshipman in 1798<sup>153</sup> and although he was not present at any of the major fleet battles, he saw a deal of action. While serving in the *Plantaganet* in the Atlantic in 1803 as an acting Lieutenant, he was put in command of a captured French privateer *L'Alante* of 22 guns and 120 men: with only two officers, a midshipman and fifteen seamen, he succeeded in bringing her into Falmouth in spite of a fierce gale and three attempts by the French crew to retake the ship. Three years later he led a boarding party from the frigate *Active* which captured a Turkish frigate of 56 guns. In 1808 he led the party which daringly cut out a large French ship from Capholonia harbour. He was present on the frigate *Melampres* at the reduction of Guadaloupe in the West Indies in 1809, and two years later in the *Furieure*, at the taking of Genoa. Upon promotion to the rank of Commander, on 2 November 1814, he was given command of the sloop *Wizard*, also on the Mediterranean station. The sufferings of the Christian slaves in the Barbary ports; most of whom were European seamen captured by the Barbary pirates; aroused his concern, and he became an ardent advocate of their cause. His paper in 1815 on this subject came to the notice of the commander-in-chief, Lord EXMOUTH, and, after many delays, resulted in the bombardment of Algiers and the release of the captives<sup>154</sup>. *Walter* married *Mary*, daughter of the Reverend Ponsonby May CAREW<sup>155</sup>, rector of Ardmore, County Waterford. He inherited the parental estates of Lisnabrin and half of Roovesmore early in the 1820's<sup>156</sup>. He was killed at Tongatabu, Tonga Islands, South Pacific, on 24 July 1840<sup>157</sup>. His will dated 1827 and proved PCC mentions that almost all of his property was settled either by his father's will or by his own marriage settlement. His widow appears to have been the *Mary* living at Lisnabrin and recorded in the Landowners of Ireland 1876. She died 10 May 1878 and was buried at Conna, County Cork. He and *Mary* had seven children, of whom one had died before 1832;

- *Edward* who entered TCD 4 May 1840 aged 17 and obtained his BA 1847. He was said to eighteen by his uncle *Charles Phillips* in a letter dated 9 December 1840 (see Appendix D). He died at Lisnabrin on 9 August 1901.

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<sup>152</sup>This note is a precis of the full account of his career in Marshall *Naval Biography*, Vol II p227.

<sup>153</sup>More details of his appointments are given in Appendix B.

<sup>154</sup>It only achieved a temporary respite in the piracy and enslavement of captive crews, which continued until the French intervention in 1830.

<sup>155</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 14 March 1827 – [Deaths] The Rev. Ponsonby May CAREW, for many years Rector of Ardmore, County Waterford.

<sup>156</sup>*Pigots Directory*, (1824) has an entry 'Walter CROKER, Lisnabrin, Tallow'.

<sup>157</sup> *Sydney Gazette* — 25 July 1840 – See appendix yy

- *Ponsonby May Carew* who was at Chatham for the 1851 census in Barracks. He was a Royal Marines officer and had the following ranks: Second Lieutenant 16 December 1845, First Lieutenant 27 May 1848 and Captain 10 July 1856. He served on the China Expedition 1857–59; including the blockade of the Canton River; the landing before; storm and capture of Canton. He commanded the detached post at the West Gate of Canton during all the attacks on the city by the Quantung Braves in 1858 and succeeded in driving them off the walls of the city after they scaled it in several places. He was also present at the attack and capture of the bridge and village of Shektsing. He served as Brigade Major with the expedition to the North and was present at the attack on the forts at Peiho. He was wounded, mentioned in dispatches, and awarded a medal and clasps. Placed on retired half pay 1869 and removed from list 5 January 1882 having drawn no pay for six years. He died at Lisnabrin House on 14 February 1875 and was buried at Conna, County Cork. He never married.
- *Walter Sidney Wilberforce* (Rev), probably the youngest son, entered Trinity College, Dublin, in 1852 aged 19<sup>158</sup>. He died on 30 July 1874 and was buried at Mogeely church, Conna, County Cork. He was rector of Flighcullen, county Kildare and married at St Stephen's, Dublin, on 7 September 1870 Pheobe Mary daughter Wills George CROFTS of Templemary, near Buttrvant. He died without issue and she married secondly on 14 October 1884 William MOLLAN, Esq of Dublin who died 1911.
- *Alice Carew* who died on 15 December 1891 at Lisnabrin House<sup>159</sup>. She appears in the civil registration indexes as Anne Carew aged 63.
- *Elizabeth Susanna Carew* who died unmarried on 25 November 1895 when administration of her estate was granted to her sister *Letitia*.
- *Letitia Eleanor Carew Thomasine* who died on 31 March 1910 and had probate granted at London on 6 May 1910 to Francis Charles GREENFIELDS and Hugh Frederick CRACKNALL solicitors – effects £23,361 10s 4d. She was living, aged 70, at Curraglass West with her brother Edward at the time of the 1901 census. Her age at death was recorded as 79 years.

*John*, second son of *Richard* the High Sheriff, but elder son of his second marriage, inherited the estate of Nadrid, thirteen miles west of Cork City. It was probably bought for this purpose. He married firstly Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas DAUNT of Owlpen, Gloucestershire in 1741 by Cork and Ross Licence. Her dowry was £1000<sup>160</sup>. She died before 1748<sup>161</sup>. *John* married circa 13 September 1749 Elizabeth daughter of Francis BEAMISH of Kilmaluddy, County Cork again by Cork and Ross licence in 1749. The

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<sup>158</sup> *Alumni Dublinenses*, Burtchaell [George Dames (1853-1921)] and Sadlier [Thomas Ulick] (1935) Dublin.

<sup>159</sup> *Cork Constitution* 19 December 1891.

<sup>160</sup> Marriage settlement 1 and 16 June 1742, Registry of Deeds, Book 109 page 430 Memorial 76481.

<sup>161</sup> Gloucestershire Record Office: Daunt and Stoughton Families ref. D979A/L4 – date: 1748 — Papers in law-suits concerning the non-payment of the dowries of the daughters of Thomas Daunt (Ireland) including John Croker v. Thomas Daunt and others (Elizabeth, younger daughter of Thomas Daunt of Owlpen, wife of John Croker, was dead by the time of the action) with copy marriage settlement made 1742 of lands in Co. Cork (details), and Bourne v. Bourne (Martha Bourne was the elder daughter of Thomas Daunt).

marriage settlement of September that year<sup>162</sup> involved the townlands of Nadrid, Derine, Knockgallyral and Clontendhegy in East Muskerry being made over to trustees. Nevertheless, he demised Nadrid to William CROOKE for 9999 years in 1753<sup>163</sup>. In 1748 he had a grant to hold two fairs, at a cost of 6s8d<sup>164</sup>. He appears to have lived to a great age, not dying until April 1794. He was buried at Magourney on 30 April 1794. His will, dated 26 April and proved 22 May that year in the Prerogative Court Dublin, mentions only his nephew William FURLONGE. It thus appears that all John's children predeceased him and were:

- *Edward* who is probably the *Edward* son of *John* who attended Kilkenny College in 1766 aged 11 and Trinity College Dublin in 1771 but received no degree. He may have died at college.
- *Richard*;
- *Samuel*; and
- *Charles*.

*Samuel*, probably the third son of *Walter* junior (see page 17), does not appear in the Betham abstract of his brother *Richard*'s will but is there<sup>165</sup>. He was a merchant of Cork City who is first mentioned as one of the sheriffs who, in October 1722, were sworn members of the Common Council during their term of office<sup>166</sup>. In October 1732 he was elected mayor and after his year in that capacity he held the rank of alderman. He performed a variety of other service for the Corporation, including specifying the repairs needed at Blackrock Castle (1722), demanding re-possession of Corporation land (1723), auditing the Chamberlains accounts (1725), overseer of St Stephens Hospital (1729), collector of gatage money (1733-36), and travelling by night post to Dublin to lay the Council's account of an affray between the City Watch and soldiers of the Main Guard before the Lords in November 1748.

In 1723 *Samuel* persuaded the Corporation to enlist the services of his brother *John* of Dublin on legal matters<sup>167</sup>, and later, when he was mayor, his brother, *John*, was appointed as the Corporations Dublin agent. *Samuel* was a party to the marriage settlements of his nephews *Walter* of Curryglass in 1726<sup>168</sup> and *John* of Nadrid in 1742<sup>169</sup>. He bought land at Mullaghroe and Ballenbrenagh, County Cork, from his brother *John* in 1733, but sold the former to his nephew *Thomas* of Dublin in 1752<sup>170</sup>. This may have been due to financial difficulties, perhaps caused by the shipping losses during the wars in the latter part of his

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<sup>162</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 138 Page 152 Memorial 92534 abstracted in Casey V8 p2305.

<sup>163</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 177 Page 471 Memorial 18942.

<sup>164</sup>Casey V7 P1880.

<sup>165</sup>Welply's abstract and Fisher's abstract in the Genealogical Office Dublin.

<sup>166</sup>*Council Book of the Corporation of Cork*.

<sup>167</sup>*Ibid*.

<sup>168</sup>Registry of Deeds 1726 Book 52 Page 6 Memorial 33249.

<sup>169</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 109 Page 430 Memorial 76481.

<sup>170</sup>Registry of Deeds, 1733 Book 72 Page 490 Memorial 51678 and 1752 Book 154 Page 470 Memorial 104570.

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life<sup>171</sup>. He died in July 1758 and was buried at old St Finbar's Church on 12 July<sup>172</sup>. His wife was Elizabeth HAYLES, whom he married by Cork and Ross licence in 1713. On 14 September 1758 the Cork Corporation approved a motion giving '... £100 to Mrs Eliza CROKER widow of Alderman CROKER, to provide for herself and her children, as her husband died in very low circumstances'. They had several children, but the only ones known are:

- *John*, admitted Freeman at large of Cork on 18 May 1749 when he was described as the eldest son of Alderman CROKER; and
- *Mary (Molly)*, Died at Cork in May 1764 'daughter of *Samuel CROKER* Esq, late one of the Aldermen of Cork, in Hanover Lane'<sup>173</sup>.
- *Samuel* described as of the Island of St Christopher in the West Indies merchant in a deed 20 November 1783.
- *William* admitted freeman to Cork.

*Thomas II* of Kilclogher seems to have inherited the estate of his uncle and namesake. In 1657, *Elizabeth* widow held Kilclogher from the Earl of Cork. This inheritance would explain his omission from his brother *Richard's* will. He married Margaret FITZGERALD who appears to have been a Catholic and had a writ of discovery brought against her in 1751<sup>174</sup>. Their children appear to have been:

- *Pierce* who appears in the Convert rolls<sup>175</sup> and was the stated beneficiary of the writ of discovery mentioned above.
- *Bent* who is said to have married Anne ALLEN daughter of John ALLEN<sup>176</sup> of Dungarvan<sup>177</sup>. He signed a petition as one of the Catholics of Dungarven in January 1792<sup>178</sup>. He appears to have died circa 14 January 1804<sup>179</sup>. Their children include:
  - *Frances* baptised at Dungarvan on 20 March 1770.
  - *Richard* baptised at Dungarvan on 30 April 1772.

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<sup>171</sup>Jenkins War 1739-40; Austrian succession 1740-08; and the Seven Years War 1756-63.

<sup>172</sup>Newspaper Abstract, Casey V15 p2626.

<sup>173</sup>Newspaper Abstract, Casey V15 p2557. *Freeman's Journal* — Cork May [1764] Deaths ... In Hanover Street, after a tedious illness Miss Molly CROKER, daughter of Samuel CROKER Esq late one of the Aldermen of this city [Cork].

<sup>174</sup>See Registry of Deeds, Book 184 Page 605 Memorial 127059.

<sup>175</sup>Whitechurch Cert 11 July 1751 enrolled 23 November 1751; Parish Whitechurch, Dioces of Lismore, Conformity 7 July 1751 of Kilclogher county Waterford gent

<sup>176</sup>Note also — Croker ALLEN son of Thomas ALLEN, tallow chandler, was baptised at Dungarvan on 20 March 1769. See the footnote below.

<sup>177</sup>See the Bigland Pedigrees compiled by Sir Ralph Bigland, Garter King of Arms in the College of Arms indexed in P LI Gwynn-Jones and Susan TOVEY *The Bigland Pedigree Index* (1990) Harleian Society, London.

<sup>178</sup> *Dublin Evening Post* – Tuesday 24 January 1792

<sup>179</sup>*Freeman's Journal* 14 January 1804 — At Dungarvon, Mr Thomas ALLEN and Ben. CROKER.

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- *Thomas* who is said to have died unmarried in 1778.
- *Walter* who may be the Walter CROCKER who married Rachel SMYTH at Dungarvan on 7 November 1784.

## Dublin I

*John*<sup>180</sup>, [b c1680-85] second son of *Walter junior* of Lisnabrin, was an attorney. He was practicing in Dublin by 1710, when he witnessed a deed executed by his brother *Richard*<sup>181</sup>. He was acting church warden for the new church of St Michan, Dublin, in 1724<sup>182</sup>. Probably because he was a lawyer a deed in June 1726 describes him as of Dublin Gent, Attorney of Common Pleas<sup>183</sup>. He was named as heir, in default of issue, to his nephew *Walter* in the latter's marriage settlement of 1726<sup>184</sup>. For twenty-five years from 1723 he received work intermittently from the Corporation of Cork City, probably through the good offices of his brother *Samuel*<sup>185</sup>. No doubt it was due to the same influence and for services rendered that he was presented with his freedom in a silver box worth £1 on 2 June 1733. About the same time he was appointed their Dublin agent<sup>186</sup>. He died 29 August 1750<sup>187</sup>, leaving a will dated 21 December 1744 mentioning his sons Richard, Samuel and Thomas, and his daughter Sarah and his son in law William PERCIVAL. His wife was probably Sarah CROKER daughter of *Walter* son of *John* of Ballynagarde (see page 46). She was a beneficiary of the will of John PAYNE of Bow Street, Dublin, gent: dated 23 December 1723 and witnessed by *Edward* of Capel Street, Dublin, apothecary<sup>188</sup>. Her burial at St Michan's appears as Mrs *Sarah*, Loughboy on 15 April 1756. Their children were:

- *John*. Born 1711 in Dublin. He entered Trinity College as a pensioner 1 September 1726 aged 15<sup>189</sup>, but did not take a degree. He may be either the John buried at St Peter and St Kevin's church, Dublin on 1 November 1732, or he buried there on 21 October 1733<sup>190</sup>.
- *Richard* of Castle Dermot (see below).

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<sup>180</sup>There seems to be a deal of confusion between this *John* and a *John* of the Ballynagarde branch. The latter *John* seems to have worked with/for the former so the confusion is in part natural. For example, the entry in the *Kings Inn Admission Papers*, Irish Manuscripts Commission, Dublin (1982), p111 has the former *John* as being appointed attorney of common pleas after he had been practising for some twenty years. This entry is more likely to refer to the Ballynagarde *John* who would have just qualified at that time. See also Appendix C.

<sup>181</sup>Registry of Deeds, 1710 Book 6 Page 128 Memorial 1563.

<sup>182</sup>Registry of Deeds, 1724 Book 51 Page 56 Memorial 32779.

<sup>183</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 48 Page 448 Memorial 32202.

<sup>184</sup>Registry of Deeds 1726 Book 52 Page 6 Memorial 33249.

<sup>185</sup>*Council Book of the Corporation of Cork*. Casey V 7

<sup>186</sup>*Council Book of the Corporation of Cork*. Casey V 7 p2048.

<sup>187</sup>*King's Inn Admission Papers* and

*Belfast News-Letter* — 4 September 1750 – Dublin, September 1 — Same Morning [Tuesday last 28 August] died in his house in Loughboy, Mr John CROKER, an eminent Attorney of the Court of common Please, who was greatly esteemed when Living and now justly lamented by all who knew him.

<sup>188</sup>P Beryl Eustace Ed *Abstracts of Wills in the Registry of Deeds*, (1954-1984), V 1 No 380.

<sup>189</sup>*Alumni Dublinenses*.

<sup>190</sup>*Parish Register Society*, V9



- *Samuel*, a Captain in the Army. He is said to have died unmarried on 1 March 1770.
- *Thomas* of Baxtown (see section 5.5).
- *Elizabeth*, baptised 22 June 1716<sup>191</sup> and married in 1738 William PERCEVAL counsellor at law and son of Rev William PERCEVAL and Catherine PRITTIE (daughter of Henry PRITTIE of Silver Mines, County Tipperary). She died without surviving issue in June 1739 probably from complications after the birth of their first child. William was of the same family as the Earl of EGMONT and married secondly in 1748 Elizabeth WARD daughter of Robert WARD Esq Collector of the Port of Strangford<sup>192</sup>. William died in 1784 and his will dated 23 April was proved on 12 August and mentions his brother-in-law Thomas CROKER<sup>193</sup>.
- *Sarah*. She was a spinster in May 1751 when she mortgaged some property<sup>194</sup>. She married in February 1758 *Charles*, youngest son of *Edward*, apothecary, (see page ). Although she appears to have died circa 24 December 1785 administration of her effects was granted to her widower on 6 November 1799<sup>195</sup> probably due to some legal requirement such as the renewal of a deed for property under her name.
- *Mary* daughter of *John* and of *Sarah* his wife buried at St Michan's on 10 November 1715.
- *Walter* son of *John* gent buried at St Michan's on 12 Oct 1713

*Richard*, eldest surviving son of John the attorney, was of Castle Dermot, County Kildare, in January 1750-1 when he and his younger brother sold property at New Street and College Green, Dublin<sup>196</sup>. He married Anne, daughter of James LONG of Dublin and his wife Mary who was a daughter of Lord CAHIR. Richard died 1 January 1771. He and Mary had two known children:

- *Richard* who died young; and
- *Thomas* (see below).

*Thomas*, only surviving son of *Richard* of Castle Dermot, was born on 29 March 1760. He became a Captain in the 38th Regiment of Foot 22 November 1793 and brevet Major in 1802. On 4 July 1796 he married Maria (Mary) FITTON, widow by Cork and Ross licence<sup>197</sup>. She was the widow of William FITTON of Southern Liberties of Cork brewer whom she married circa 13 December 1784<sup>198</sup>. Maria was daughter of Croker DILLON<sup>199</sup> and Mary

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<sup>191</sup>Lodge's Peerage 1789

<sup>192</sup>*The Peerage of Ireland* John LODGE (1754) V2 pp158-9.

<sup>193</sup>Betham will abstracts.

<sup>194</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 149 Page 66 Memorial 98882.

<sup>195</sup>Prerogative Administrations, Phillips Ms, National Archives Dublin.

<sup>196</sup>Registry of Deeds, 1750 Book 146 Page 289 Memorial 97646 and Book 147 Page 105 Memorial 98927.

<sup>197</sup>*Cork Gazette and General Advertizer* — On Monday last, Capt CROKER of the 38th Regiment of Foot to widow FITTON of Buckingham Square

<sup>198</sup>Marriage settlement dated 13 December 1784 Registry of Deeds, Book 364 Page 282 Memorial 245244. Their marriage was also reported in the *Freeman's Journal* of 4-6 January 1785. He died on

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BUNWORTH<sup>200</sup> of Ballindaniel, County Cork and granddaughter of *Mary* of the Ballynagarde branch (see section 8.3vii). Maria was born in November 1768. The Major died on 22 March 1818 at Blackrock, near Cork aged 57, and his widow on 30 December 1851 at age eighty-five<sup>201</sup>. *Thomas*, his widow, her sisters Elizabeth, Harriet<sup>202</sup> and Anne DILLON together with his daughter and son-in-law are all buried in the churchyard of St Michael's Church Blackrock, county Cork. A certified copy of her will is in the Land Commission Papers. They had one son and one daughter who were:

- *Thomas Crofton* (see below); and
- *Caroline Dillon* who was born 18 April 1799 and married Charles Eyre COOTE (5 June 1801—12 March 1858) on 8 January 1828 at Glanmire Church, county Cork<sup>203</sup>. He was the third son of Chidley COOTE and Anne HEWITT. Caroline died 4 March 1878. She was living at Spy Hill near Queenstown after the death of her husband<sup>204</sup>. They had three children.
  - A stillborn son who was born on 3 December 1830
  - A daughter born July 1832
  - A daughter born October 1833
  - A daughter born may 1839

*Thomas Crofton*<sup>205</sup> was born in Cork 15 January 1798. He had little school education, apparently because from about the age of fourteen he spent much of his time rambling round the South of Ireland collecting songs and legends of the peasantry. At sixteen he was apprenticed to a firm of Quaker merchants in Cork; but his taste for literature, art and antiquities was already formed. In 1815 his translation of an Irish 'Coronach' appeared in the

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10 April 1785. *Limerick Chronicle* — 14 April 1785 – Same day [April 10], in Buckingham Square, William FITTON, Esq; Brewer

<sup>199</sup>Croker DILLON was the second son of John DILLON of Quarters town, county Cork, by Mary daughter of John CROKER of Ballynagarde. He was born in 1739 and joined the army as Ensign in the 39th Regiment of Foot in 1759. He was promoted to Lieutenant on 1 April 1762 and sold his commission on 13 February 1765. Croker DILLON appears in the 1766 'census' at Killigrahan in Mallow parish. He died on 1 July 1775.

<sup>200</sup>Mary BUNWORTH was a daughter of the Reverend Charles BUNWORTH and Mary DELACOUR(T) who were married 6 January 1742-3. Reverend Charles BUNWORTH was the second son of Richard and Elizabeth BUNWORTH of Newmarket, county Cork. Mary BUNWORTH was born 1 July 1746 and married Croker DILLON in 1764. She died 3 May 1816 — *Limerick General Advertiser* — 17 May 1816 – In Marlborough Street Cork, Mrs Mary DILLON relict of Croker DILLON Esq

<sup>201</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 2 January 1852 – December 30, at Blackrock, co Cork, Maria, widow of the late Major CROKER.

<sup>202</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 8 August 1845 – At Blackrock, Cork, Harriet, youngest daughter of the late C CROKER,[Croker DILLON] Esq and aunt of T Crofton CROKER of the Admiralty

<sup>203</sup>*Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel* — 15 January 1828 and *Freeman's Journal* — 12 January 1828

<sup>204</sup>Casey Vol 14 p951.

<sup>205</sup>*Dictionary of National Biography*, is drawn on for this summary.

Morning Post, and he exhibited some pen and ink drawings at a Cork exhibition in 1817. About a year later he forwarded to Tom MOORE, then engaged upon his 'Irish Melodies', nearly forty ancient airs, many fragments of ancient poetry and some ancient translations from Cork. MOORE invited him to London, and after his father's death in 1818, *Thomas Crofton* settled there permanently. Through the good offices of *John Wilson* he obtained a clerkship at the Admiralty, which he retained until 1850. He introduced lithography into the office there. He is said to have sanitised the tales he collected for publication. His published works include: *Researches in the South of Ireland*, (1824); *Fairy Legends and Traditions of the South of Ireland*, (1825); and *Legends of the Lakes*, (1829). The first of these was partially illustrated by Marianne NICHOLSON whom Thomas Crofton married by a Faculty Office marriage licence<sup>206</sup> on 30 March 1830 at Barnes, Surrey<sup>207</sup>. She was the only daughter of Francis NICHOLSON, landscape painter. He was a member of the Society of Antiquaries from 1827; a founder member of the Camden Society (1839), the Percy Society (1840) and the British Archaeological Society (1843). According to SCOTT, Thomas Crofton was a 'little dwarf, keen-eyed as a hawk, and of easy prepossessing manners'. His home for many years was Rosamond's Bower, Fulham, but he died at Old Brompton, London on 8 August 1854<sup>208</sup> and is buried in Brompton Cemetery<sup>209</sup> along with his widow and father-in-law. His wife died 6 October that year. Their only son was:

- *Thomas Francis Dillon* who was born 26 August 1831<sup>210</sup> and died 6 February 1912<sup>211</sup>. He was buried in Brompton cemetery. He liked collecting books and first numbers of periodicals.

*Thomas*, youngest son of John of Dublin, the attorney who died in 1750, also followed the law. He later became one of the Six Clerks of the Court of the Chancery in Dublin. He was admitted freeman-at-large of Cork City on 19 May 1740<sup>212</sup>. He was of Dublin in January 1750-1 when he sold some property in Dublin on which his father held a mortgage<sup>213</sup>; but in February 1758 he was of Backstown, County Kildare, in a house which he leased from his wife's uncle, Robert CLAYTON, Bishop of Clogher<sup>214</sup>. *Thomas's* wife Anne was daughter of William RYVES<sup>215</sup> of Upper Court, County Kilkenny; they were married by an Ossory

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<sup>206</sup> Faculty Office marriage licence allegations 1701-1850 indexed at the Society of Genealogists London.

<sup>207</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 3 April 1830 – March 30, at Barnes Surrey, Crofton CROKER Esq to Marianne, only daughter of Francis NICHOLSON Esq of Charlotte Street, Portland Place.

There is Faculty Office marriage licence allegation dated 26 March 1830 for this marriage

<sup>208</sup> Obituary — *Gentleman's Magazine* October 1854, pp 397–400

<sup>209</sup> See *Irish Graves in England – a series of articles by Michael McDonagh* Dublin 1888.

<sup>210</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 6 September 1831 – At Barnes, Surrey, the lady of Thomas Crofton CROKER of a son.

<sup>211</sup> Obituary, *Irish Book Lover*, III (1912) p151. The Times funeral notice on 8 February 1912 obituary 9 February 1912.

<sup>212</sup> *Council Book of the Corporation of Cork*.

<sup>213</sup> Registry of Deeds, 1750 Book 146 Page 289 Memorial 97646.

<sup>214</sup> P Beryl Eustace *Wills in the Registry of Deeds*, (1954-1984) V 2 No221.

<sup>215</sup> His death was reported in the *Freeman's Journal* of 9–12 January 1768.

licence dated 5 January 1748-9. *Thomas's* father *John* had business dealings with William RYVES and acted as his agent in 1738<sup>216</sup>. The Bishop died in the spring of 1753 and left to his niece Anne the house and lands of Backstown, the estate of St Wolstanes, and all his estate in, County Kildare<sup>217</sup>. *Thomas* died at Henrietta Street, Dublin in April 1800<sup>218</sup>. Anne was living at Hollyhill Kent in August 1803 when she was involved in a deed with her daughter<sup>219</sup>. Ann was in Edinburgh when she made a deed where she mentions William FURLONG, jun her adopted son and her granddaughter the Hon Augusta CROFTON<sup>220</sup>. He and Anne had only one daughter:

- *Armida*, born 11 January 1751. She married Edward CROFTON eldest son of Sir Marcus Lowther CROFTON, baronet, of Moate, County Roscommon on 13 April 1767<sup>221</sup>. He succeeded to the baronetcy and was a Member of Parliament for that county from 1778 until his death on 28 September 1797<sup>222</sup>. He had been recommended for a peerage but did not live to receive it. His widow was, therefore, created Baroness CROFTON in her own right on 8 March 1798, but with remainder to the issue of her marriage with CROFTON. She died 12 August 1817.<sup>223</sup>

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<sup>216</sup>Pue's Occurrences — 19–23 December 1738 and following – Advertisement for lands including those of Upper Court.

<sup>217</sup>P Beryl Eustace *Wills in the Registry of Deeds*, (1954-1984) V 2 No221.

<sup>218</sup>Newspaper abstract, *Cork Examiner*, in Casey V 7 p1547.

<sup>219</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 559 Page 42 Memorial 372018.

<sup>220</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 699 Page 752 Memorial 479889.

<sup>221</sup>Marriage settlement Registry of Deeds, Book 257 Page 18 Memorial 165129 dated 1 and 2 April 1767. *Freeman's Journal* 11–14 April 1767 — (11) Edward CROFTON Esq son of Sir Marcus LOWTHER CROFTON, Bart to Miss Ann CROKER daughter of Thomas CROKER, Esq one of the Six Clerks of the Court of Chancery

<sup>222</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 14 October 1797– At Bath, Sir Edward CROFTON, Bart. one of the Representatives in Parliament for the County of Roscommon, and Colonel of the Militia of that County.

<sup>223</sup>See *The Complete Peerage*.

## Youghal III

*Bent*, one of the younger sons of *Walter junior* of Lisnabrin, was of Cork in June 1720 when his brother Richard made his will<sup>224</sup>. He may have been gaining experience as a merchant with his brother *Samuel*, but appears to have served his apprenticeship at Youghal where he was admitted a freeman on 15 March 1717-8<sup>225</sup>. In 1722 he married Mary daughter of Gregory SALTER<sup>226</sup> of Dunmore, County Waterford, by Cloyne licence. He evidently lived at Youghal from about this time, and was sufficiently well established to stand for bailiff in July 1726, but was not successful. *Bent* next appears in the records in February 1743-4 when appointed Scavenger for the removal of dung etc from the Market House to the Clock Gate — obviously in a supervisory capacity. On 29 June that year he was elected mayor, probably to take office from the autumn. He was re-elected the same day the next year. He was still in office in September 1746 when his scheme to borrow a large sum of money at interest to discharge the debts of the Corporation was subjected to fierce criticism. He was, however, supported by eighty-six townsmen, because the money to be borrowed was to pay ‘the money due to the poor of the Parish ... and the tradesmen that repaired the walls and gates of the town’. The latter was, no doubt, due to the fear of a French invasion in support of the Jacobite rising. He was described as Alderman in April 1755 in an alteration to a lease following the death of his son *George*. In the list of militia compiled in 1756 he is given the rank of Captain<sup>227</sup>. He obviously settled most of his property on his heirs before 1775 because his grandson *John* made provision for an annuity of £15 per year for *Bent* in that year<sup>228</sup>. *Bent* died on 17 May 1776 and Mary was buried at Youghal on 25 February 1770. They had issue:

- *Richard* of Youghal (see below);
- *George Salter*, who entered Trinity College, Dublin in 1742 but did not take a degree<sup>229</sup>. He is believed to have died while still a student.
- *Mary* said to have born 14 July 1727. She married Robert BALL (son of Alderman Henry BALL [c1686 - 1741] and his wife Ruth STAWELL) at Youghal on 23 July 1749. Their children included Robert Stawell BALL, and she is thought to have died 8 January 1791. There is a death at Youghal of a widow BALL reported in the Limerick Chronicle of 6 June 1791.
  - Robert Stawell BALL (d1841)<sup>230</sup>, a noted mathematician, who married in 1799 Mary GREEN (b1774 and d1862) daughter of Roger GREEN and Catherine WALKER.

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<sup>224</sup>Betham's abstract.

<sup>225</sup>*Council Book of the Corporation of Youghal*.

<sup>226</sup>He was a former alderman of Youghal.

<sup>227</sup>Genealogical Office Ms608.

<sup>228</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 306 Page 564 Memorial 204746.

<sup>229</sup>*Alumni Dublinenses*.

<sup>230</sup>The information on this family is from Boyd's Family Units at the Society of Genealogists.

- Robert BALL MA LLD (1802 – 1857) who married in 1837 Amelia Greasley HELLICAR. He was a self taught naturalist who received an honorary LLD from TCD in 1850 and was president of the Geological Society of Dublin.
- James BALL b1804 and d1805.
- Bent BALL b1806 and d1860
- James Green BALL b1809 and d1810
- Mary BALL d 1804
- Alice BALL d1804
- Anne Ellis BALL d 1872
- Mary BALL who died in 1898 aged 86
- Alice BALL who died in 1813.
- Ruth BALL who married Samuel FREEMAN at Youghal in December 1783<sup>231</sup>.
- Bent BALL who died in October 1832 aged 80<sup>232</sup>.
- *Anne*, born 19 May 1730 and died unmarried. She may be the child of Alderman *Bent* who was buried at Youghal 30 October 1742.
- *Rebecca* baptised 28 December 1739 at Youghal.

*Richard* the eldest son of *Bent*, was brought up to be a merchant, and was described as such when admitted to the freedom of Youghal on 21 June 1743<sup>233</sup>. He was elected Bayliff of Youghal in 1749; and in the following year he was described in a lease as grandson of Gregory SALTER. His wife was Bridget, daughter of John PARKER of Gurtroe, County Cork, whom he married in 1749 by Cloyne licence. Their marriage settlement dated 19 April 1749 involved *Richard*'s grandfather Gregory SALTER and his uncles *John* of Dublin and *Samuel* of Cork but not his father. He appears to have moved some of his interests to Cork and to be the *Richard* esquire admitted a freeman at large of that city 7 September 1768. He was, however, buried at Youghal 3 January 1773. His will, dated 1772, was lodged in the Prerogative Court but never proved<sup>234</sup>. Bridget died at Grand Parade, Cork, on 8 June 1797, when she was described as relict of *Richard* of Youghal<sup>235</sup>. They had at least six sons and several daughters:

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<sup>231</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 22 December 1783– Last week, at Youghal, Samuel FREEMAN, Esq; to Miss Ruth BALL, an accomplished young lady.

<sup>232</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 17 October 1832 – At the Residence of his daughter, (Mrs T BOLES), Bent BALL, Esq aged 80 years, formerly of Roxboro', co Cork, late Capt 63rd Regt one of the few surviving officers who served in the Revolutionary War in America, where he particularly distinguished himself and received no less than three muskets balls in different parts of his body, one of which never could be extracted.

<sup>233</sup> *Council Book of the Corporation of Youghal*.

<sup>234</sup> Genealogical Office Manuscript — *Inventory of the records, Book s and papers of the Prerogative Office with an index to the Cause Papers from the year 1670 to 1810*.

<sup>235</sup> Newspaper Abstract, Casey V7 p1463.

- *Gregory Salter* baptised 20 November 1749 at Youghal and may have been the child of *Richard* buried there 11 December 1751.
- *Susannah Salter* baptised 14 November 1750 at Youghal.
- *Richard* was baptised as on 29 May 1754. He was an Ensign in the Army of the Honourable East India Company when he made his will on 19 September 1774. This was proved at Madras on 7 March 1775. He left his Irish estate to his mother and appointed his uncle Richard PARKER as executor of this estate.
- *John* was an Ensign in the 63rd Regiment of Foot when he made his will on 17 March 1773<sup>236</sup>. This was probably in anticipation of leaving on a tour of duty in America. He was promoted to Lieutenant 11 July 1775 and to Captain 20 April 1778 while serving there. He was made freeman of Youghal in 1765<sup>237</sup>. He made two deeds in 1775 one assigning power of attorney to his uncle Richard PARKER and the other providing a life annuity for his grandfather *Bent* of £15 per annum<sup>238</sup>. He may be the *John* Captain half pay in the 103rd Regiment of Foot who appears in the 1786 but not 1787 Army List.
- *Thomas*, born 1756, was commissioned as a Lieutenant in the Royal Navy on 29 March 1780, and served in the *Bella Isle*, *Ripon*, *Scipio*, *Ardent*, *Canada* and *Asia*<sup>239</sup>. He was admitted a freeman at large of Cork on 9 August 1783, when he was described as eldest [surviving] son of Richard Esq late of Youghal<sup>240</sup>. This was probably conferred upon him because he had fought at the Battle of the Saints on 12 April 1782<sup>241</sup>, while serving on the *Ripon*. He died in London in 1796, leaving a will dated November 1793. In it he mentions his mother and brother, George, and land at Ballynote, County Waterford.
- *George* was under military or naval orders when he despatched his will to the safe-keeping of his cousin Thomas PARKER in 1790 from the Lord Mulgrave. He appears to have been living when his brother *Thomas* made his will in 1793 but not when his mother made hers. We have not found evidence of service in the Navy so there is reason to identify him with Lieutenant *George* of the 15th Regiment. He was made ensign of the 15<sup>th</sup> Regiment on 31 May 1790<sup>242</sup> and Lieutenant in June 1793<sup>243</sup>. The copy of the 1794 Army List at the PRO Kew is annotated that he was killed. He is

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<sup>236</sup>The original will is in the National Archives Dublin reference T11036.

<sup>237</sup>*Council Book of Corporation of Youghal*.

<sup>238</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 306 Page 563 Memorial 204744 and Book 306 Page 564 Memorial 204746.

<sup>239</sup>*Commissioned Sea Officers of the Royal Navy*.

<sup>240</sup>*Council Book of the Corporation of Cork*.

<sup>241</sup>In this battle, the last major engagement in the otherwise disastrous war of American independence, Admiral RODNEY inflicted a crushing defeat on the French and thus made heroes of all in the British fleet who took part in it.

<sup>242</sup>*Caledonian Mercury* – Saturday 10 July 1790

<sup>243</sup>*Kentish Gazette* - Tuesday 18 June 1793

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reported as being killed at Guadaloupe between 19<sup>th</sup> of June and 2<sup>nd</sup> July 1794<sup>244</sup>. His name is not in the 1795 Army List.

- *Walter* is mentioned in the will of his brother, *John*, in 1773 with a legacy of £800. Nothing else is known of him. He apparently died before 1793 and certainly before 1796.
- *Bridget* and *Mary* who were buried at Youghal respectively 4 and 5 July 1759 may have been infant twins who died as very young babies.

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<sup>244</sup> Belfast Newsletter – 13 Oct 1794



## Ballyanker

The exact descent of the Ballyanker line is uncertain. *Hugh* was granted a lease to Ballyanker in circa 1635 and was called of Ballyanker from about that time. As his children by his first wife were provided for by his brother-in-law Walter COPPINGER in 1637 the most likely descent is through the children of a later wife. As stated earlier *Hugh* of Cappoquin's children by his second wife Alice TAYLOR were:

- *John* of Ballyanker (see below).
- *Thomas* of Cappoquin and Youghal. He made a deposition on 13 August 1642 regarding his losses in 1641 Rebellion. Thus it seems likely that he was at least close to of age so would have born prior to 1625 (see page ).
- *Hugh* of Ballyhamlis (see page ).
- *Barry* of Youghal (see page ).

*John*, the only child mentioned by name in the will of his father *Hugh*, was appointed executor, so must have been of age when the will was drawn up in 1642. So he was born prior to 1621. His father bequeathed him the lands of Ballyanker, but he was not 'titulado' there in 1659<sup>245</sup>. A prerogative grant was made to his brother *Thomas* in respect of his (of Ballyanker) estate on 12 September 1661. This and another grant of his father *Hugh*'s estate the previous day indicate that he died prior to completing the administration of his father's estate. Although *John* is described as dying unmarried by Betham, it possible that he is the ancestor of the Ballyanker line.

Mrs *Elizabeth* most likely the third wife and widow of *Hugh* was paying the rent on Cappoquin and other properties in 1649 and 1652. Their issue included though there is more uncertainty with respect to the daughters:

- *Andrew* of Ballyanker who was living with his brother when *Thomas* made his will and seemed to be suffering from some sort of physical infirmity at that time as *Thomas* made provision for his care. His mental abilities seem to have unaffected as he was a witness to this will.
- *Ann* of Ballyanker.
- ? perhaps two other daughters one of whom may have married Thomas PARKER the other may have been the *Alice* who was married Thomas GARDE who died in 1688<sup>246</sup>.

*Thomas* was listed in the 1659 Census of Ireland as titulado of Ballyanker for which he had been paying the rent to the Earl of Cork since at least 1657. Only six people were recorded as living on the estate at that time, four English and two Irish. Initially *Hugh*'s estate passed to *John* and when *John* died intestate the administration of *John*'s estate was granted to *Thomas* indicating he may have been the next eldest son. At least four of his children were of age in 1683 when he made a deed of gift to them of most of his estate as a legal precaution. Thus his eldest child would have born by 1655 indicating he was most likely born prior to 1630. Given the upheavals of the Rebellion and Civil War he may have been older than usual at the time of his marriage. This would fit the chronology of his being a son of *Hugh* and Alice nee

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<sup>245</sup>Census of Ireland 1659.

<sup>246</sup>Ms R McCutcheon, letter 4 October 1989.

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TAYLOR. *Thomas* died in 1704. In his will he mentions, besides his immediate family, Mary Anne, daughter of Will AUSTIN. His wife was Honora and she predeceased him. Their issue were:

- *John* of Ballyanker who apparently died without issue;
- *Barry*;
- *Walter* of Whitestown, County Dublin (see below);
- *Hugh* who was party to a deed with *Richard*;
- *Richard* of Cork (see section 7.6); and
- Daughter married to William POOLE.

*Walter* the third son was a party to the deed of gift in 1683 which he seems to have instigated. Thus, it seems that he followed the law. He was of Ballyanker when on 15 August 1694 and he was a juror in the inquisition of *Walter COPPINGER* of Ringcoolisky, County Cork who was convicted of treason<sup>247</sup>. He settled at Whitestown, County Dublin and made his will in February 1709/10 perhaps formalising arrangements for his marriage. In his will he mentions his four brothers; his sister and nephew William POOLE; and his wife Elizabeth formerly HART<sup>248</sup> but no children. *Walter* and Elizabeth and others were sued by Percival HART in 1702<sup>249</sup> *Walter* counter sued in 1704. His children may have been sufficiently provided for in his marriage settlement. Elizabeth had a child Lucy HART who died a minor and whose administration was granted to Elizabeth in 1702<sup>250</sup>. However, it is clear that they had at least two children. The children of *Walter* were:

- *Elizabeth* married Robert BOLES or BOWLES of Springfield, near Tallow, in 1716<sup>251</sup> at Lismore by whom she had issue Jonathan BOLES<sup>252</sup>. *Elizabeth* died before 1731 when Robert married Katherine BENJER (or BENDER)<sup>253</sup>.
  - Jonathan BOLES (John in baptismal register) baptised on 13 February 1717/18 at Lismore Cathedral. He married Jane BROWN<sup>254</sup> and had issue.
- *Walter*, who was of Ballygrillahane, County Cork in May 1741, when he made his will. The beneficiaries were his 'brother' Thomas POOLE and Mary his wife; his nephews *Walter* and William POOLE, sons of Thomas and Mary; his nephew Jonathan

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<sup>247</sup> *History of the Copingers or Coppingers*, Walter Arthur Coppinger, London (1884), pp123-126.

<sup>248</sup> Prerogative administrations (Betham abstract) Lucy HART minor spinster to Elizabeth (ow HART) CROKER wife of *Walter CROKER* of Dublin Esq the mother 7 May 1702.

<sup>249</sup> Ireland, Court Of Chancery Bill Books 1627-1884

<sup>250</sup> Betham Genealogical Abstracts per FindMyPast: HART, Lucy a minor to Elizabeth als H[art] (the wife of *Walter CROKER* Dub Gent) the mother Admon granted 7<sup>th</sup> day of May 1702.

<sup>251</sup> Lismore Cathedral parish records.

<sup>252</sup> BLGI 1899 — her father is given as John CROKER of Ballyanker.

<sup>253</sup> See the following for more information:

[http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~bowlesfamily/thomas\\_boles\\_of\\_corks\\_family\\_tree.htm](http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~bowlesfamily/thomas_boles_of_corks_family_tree.htm)

<sup>254</sup> Registry of Deeds Book 247 Page 414 Memorial [162650](#).

BOWLES<sup>255</sup> and Jonathan's guardian Anthony STAWELL of Ballydoole, County Cork; and his God daughter Mary GREEN, daughter of William GREEN. He also left £100 to the poor Protestants of the parishes of Castletownroche, Ballyanker, County Waterford and Ballygrillahane, County Cork. He probably died in the early part of 1761, as his will was narrated in a deed of 26 May that year<sup>256</sup>.

- *Mary*, probably the eldest, who married Thomas POOLE at Lismore Cathedral in 1729. She may have been his second wife and a Thomas POOLE married Anne BALDWIN circa 4 December 1727<sup>257</sup>. He died in 1746<sup>258</sup>. Their two sons were named in her brother's will. They were:
  - Walter Croker POOLE was eventually heir to the Ballyanker estates. He married Anne FUDGE<sup>259</sup> on 19 March 1782 by a licence from the Lismore Peculiar Jurisdiction. Walter Croker POOLE was buried at Lismore on 13 January 1810 and his wife Anne Greatrakes POOLE there on 31 October 1808<sup>260</sup>. Walter Croker POOLE is an ancestor of Sally CROKER-POOL(E)<sup>261</sup> who married the Aga Khan in 1969 and was divorced in 1994. Their children were<sup>262</sup>:
    - Thomas POOLE married Eleanor GREENE of Little Bridge, county Waterford on 24 November 1812 at Affane by a marriage licence bond dated 21 November 1812<sup>263</sup>
      - ⊕ Thomas Walter POOLE who was admitted to the King's Inn in Hiliary term 1838 aged over 18 when both his parents were dead<sup>264</sup>.

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<sup>255</sup>Most likely son of *Elizabeth* and Robert BOWLES.

<sup>256</sup>*Wills in the Registry of Deeds*, V 2 No 275.

<sup>257</sup>Registry of Deeds Book 56 Page 362 Memorial 38304.

<sup>258</sup>Green Manuscript National Library of Ireland — Will of Thomas POOLE of Ballyanker co Waterford Gent; Son Walter Croker POOLE, to younger son Thomas POOLE lease of Iniscorthy; daughter Bridget POOLE and son William POOLE — Wife mary ans brother William POOLE executors and guardians dated 29 March 1746: Probate to William POOLE 6 November 1746 Another Probate 18 March 1746/7 [indicating Mary died]

<sup>259</sup>She was a daughter of Anne GREATRAKES and Thomas FUDGE of Ballyclemene.

<sup>260</sup>Cork Mercantile Chronicle — 11 Nov 1808 – On Saturday the 29th October, to the universal regret who knew her and the deep sorrow of her relatives, Mrs. POOLE, wife of W. C. POOLE, Esq, of Ballyanker, County Waterford, in whose character were combined all those virtuous qualifications which we esteem or love, in the wife, the parent, or the friend; to the utmost meekness and serenity of temper, never disturbed unless by sympathy with the afflicted, she united a firmness of mind, which enabled her to sustain a long continuation of sickness, with fortitude truly christian, and to meet her dissolution (of the approach of which she was conscious) with tranquility and resignation.

<sup>261</sup>India Office records Sarah Frances CROKER POOLE born on 28 January 1940 baptised 21 March 1940 St Martin's Church Delhi – Father Major Arthur Eric Croker POOLE and Jean Margaret BALFOUR (IOL Ref N/1/610 f.123) a brother, Arthur Anthony CROKER POOLE, was born at Lahore on 30 June 1936.

<sup>262</sup>Lismore parish registers — Sep 11, 1801 Rec'd into the church Thomas, Anne, Wm and Croker Children of Walter Croker POOL and Anne his wife by Thomas CRAWFORD, Curate

<sup>263</sup>Green papers — extract of marriage licence Thomas POOLE of Ballyanker Esq and Eleanor GREEN of parish of Affane spinster dated 12 November 1812 and extract from the Affane parish registers.

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- Anne POOLE described as the only daughter when she married John SPARROW at Youghal on 3 July 1813<sup>265</sup>.
- William POOLE
- Croker POOLE
- Thomas POOLE will dated 3 December 1783 and proved 29 September 1784<sup>266</sup>.
  - John POOLE
  - Mary POOLE
  - Honoria POOLE who married .. RUSSELL
- Bridget POOLE
- William POOLE.

Note: Mount Jerome Dublin memorial: In | Loving Memory | of | WALTER CROKER THOMAS POOLE | Lt. Colonel R.A.M.C. B.A. M.B. T.C.D. F.R.C.S.I | Served in The Chitral Expedition & | throughout the South African Campaign | 1899 - 1902 | Kings & Queens Medals & Five Clasps only son of THOMAS WALTER POOLE | Ballyanchor, Lismore, Co. Waterford | died 9 Sept. 1922 | HELENA SYBELLA POOLE | 4th daughter of THOMAS WALTER POOLE | of Ballyanchor | and sister of the above | died 7th March 1929 | CATHERINE (KATIE) FLORENCE POOLE | youngest and only surviving daughter | of THOMAS WALTER POOLE | died March 5th 1930

*Richard*, probably the youngest son of *Thomas* of Ballyanker, was a merchant of Cork. He was involved in buying land in 1723<sup>267</sup>, and again in January 1724-5<sup>268</sup> when he bought some south of the River Lee. If these were speculative, he was successful enough to describe himself as gent in his will dated 12 February 1730-1. He was then living in the northern suburbs of Cork. He died in 1732, leaving a widow Elizabeth and three children:

- *Honora*, wife of Francis KNAPPP;
  - Rogerson Edmund KNAPP a trustee of his cousin, Thomas's will in 1750.
- *Jane*, who married Benjamin PHIPPS (FIBS) at Lismore Cathedral on 1 January 1732/3<sup>269</sup> and was later the wife of William NORRIS; and
- *Thomas* of Cork and later Butterstown, County Cork, on 5 April 1750 when he made his will. He bought Butterstown in 1732 from the Anne FRENCH, widow of the Rev

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<sup>264</sup> Edward Keane, P Beryl Phair and Thomas U Sadleir (Eds) *Kings Inn admission papers 1607–1867*

<sup>265</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 13 July 1813 – On Sunday se'nnight, a Youghal, John SPARROW Esq Lt in the Waterford Militia to Anne only daughter of the late Walter Croker POOLE of Ballyanker, county Waterford, Esq

<sup>266</sup> Green Manuscript, national Library of Ireland

<sup>267</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 41 Page 83 Memorial 24642.

<sup>268</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 43 Page 372 Memorial 28611.

<sup>269</sup> The marriage settlement, the Registry of Deeds, Book 84 Page 214 Memorial 59794, involves her brother *Thomas* who is described as of Cork gent.

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Valentine FRENCH, dean of Ross<sup>270</sup>. He appears to have been unmarried, but mentions his natural son *James*; his two sisters; his nephew Rogerson Edmund KNAPP and his father *Richard*. His will was, apparently, proved that year.

○ *James*

*Hugh* probably the third son by *Hugh* senior's second wife probably assisted in the capture of Waterford. He is shown as brother to *John* in the Betham pedigrees; and is listed, with no rank, as having served the King between 1641 and 1649<sup>271</sup>. He was of Kilbree, County Waterford in 1641 when he lost property in the Rebellion so must have been born prior to 1621. He escaped to Cappoquin where his father was Captain of the castle. His depositions were signed as *Hugh Jun.* He lived at Ballyhamlis (now Ballyhamlet), County Waterford, with his brother-in-law Thomas PARKER who held the lease from Earl of Cork from at least 1657. His will was dated 19 January 1667/8 and proved the March of the following year. In it he mentions his 'brother' Thomas PARKER, cousins John and Michael, and nephews Henry, John and Richard PARKER<sup>272</sup>.

*Barry* of Youghal was a captain when vouched for the sale of a horse to Lieutenant Thomas CARRICK in the Youghal Council on 9 December 1649. He was also mentioned in an affray during a cessation in 1642 in a deposition against Lieutenant Colonel Edmond FENNEL<sup>273</sup>. His wife's name was Ruth. The administration of his estate was granted to his nephew *Walter* on 22 June 1662. Ruth was described as Ruth CROKER alias HASSARD alias GWYN in the grant of her son's administration. This indicates that Barry was her second husband and her family name was either GWYN or HASSARD. They had issue:

- *Thomas* who died a minor in 1662 and his administration was granted to his mother 20 December 1662.

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<sup>270</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 75 Page 206 Memorial 52603.

<sup>271</sup> *Irish Landed Gentry when Cromwell came to Ireland*.

<sup>272</sup> See Thrift Abstract No 1516 National Archives Dublin. Note the Betham abstract does not give the family name of the nephews which may added to the confusion as to the descent of the Ballyanker line.

<sup>273</sup> *Journal of Waterford and South East Ireland Archaeological Society* (1912) V15 p 75. This is a copy of the Trinity College Ms .. folios 344 & 347.

## Ballynagarde

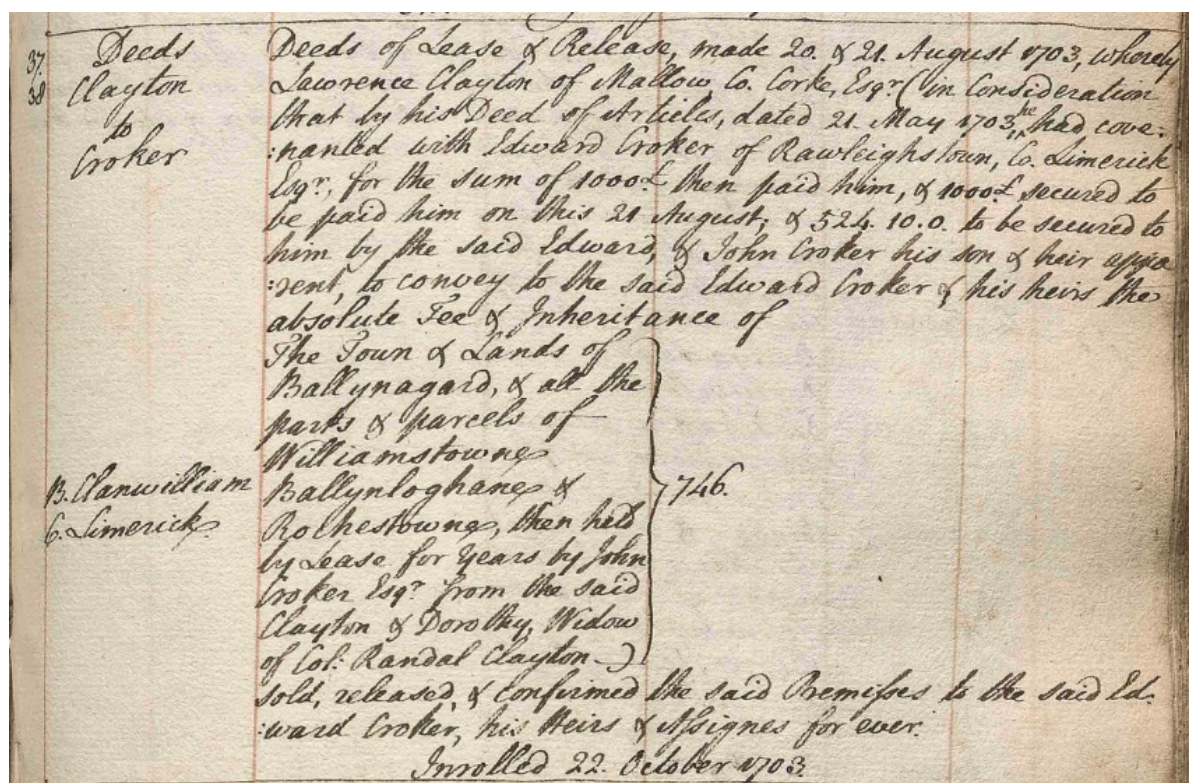


Figure 1 NAI Lodge/9/957, 'Deed, Lawrence Clayton to Edward Croker'. Accessed on Virtual Record Treasury of Ireland <<https://virtualtreasury.ie/item/NAI-Lodge-9-957>> (1 August 2024). Repository: National Archives, Ireland.

John I, the eldest son of Edward murdered in the rebellion of 1641, is said to have been born in 1624. He was described as Lt John of Ballinaroone in the Barony of Coshma aged 29 years in a deposition he made dated 16 June 1654 at Youghal. He described himself as have been 87 years old at Michelmas 1712 in a letter to his first cousin once removed James of Trevelles. He leased Ballinaroone from the Earl of Cork from 1649 until 1657. In the deposition he indicated that he was at the siege of Lismore in 1645<sup>274</sup>. He obtained with Randal CLAYTON and John COLPOYS a grant of houses in Kerwans Lane Galway in 1661 Act of Settlement<sup>275</sup>. These properties formed the marriage settlement for his grandson Andrew. John mortgaged these properties when he was required to pay rent to two landlords (the then restored owner and Randal CLAYTON) for Ballynagarde in 1690<sup>276</sup>. In 1659 he was one of the three joint titulados of the townland of Scoole and Cloughdullarty in the parish of Ballenlogh, County Limerick<sup>277</sup>. He was also one of the Commissioners for the County of

<sup>274</sup> Charles Smith MD *The Ancient and present State of the county and City of Cork* Book III p158 reproduced in Casey Vol X recounts the capture of Lismore in 1645: "... and Lismore; which last place was bravely defended by the same Major POWER, with 100 English tenants of the Earl of Cork, who slaughtered 500 of the Irish; but their powder being spent, they surrendered on honourable terms."

<sup>275</sup> *Galway Archaeological Historical Society* (6) p211.

<sup>276</sup> Abstract of Chancery bill of 1709, National Archives Dublin.

<sup>277</sup> *Census of Ireland 1659*. The other titulados were: Henry TIRRELL who is thought to have been John's brother-in-law, and Michael, John's brother. There were 44 people, including 6 English, living



Limerick who organised the Census that year<sup>278</sup>. He was sufficiently established to be High Sheriff of Limerick in 1680<sup>279</sup>. He is mentioned in the will of his nephew Giles SPENCER in 1689<sup>280</sup>. *John* died on 12 July 1717 at the age of ninety-three and was buried at Fedamore churchyard<sup>281</sup>. Both his surviving sons had lived in that parish. *John* married twice firstly to Arabella, daughter of Sir Thomas BROWNE of Arseys, County Limerick; and secondly to Elizabeth STEPHENS the widow of BUTLER and Henry IEVERS. In 1695, John and Elizabeth initiated legal action against John IVERS probably about issues arising with their marriage settlement<sup>282</sup>. They were also involved in further court cases involving the IEVERS family in the the next ten to twelve years. His second Elizabeth wife died in 1709 when administration was granted to her husband<sup>283</sup>. His children by Arabella were:

- *Edward* of Rawleighstown (see below);
- *Thomas*, who was of Cahirkereely, County Limerick, when he made his will on 1 March 1684. His father John, brother Edward, uncle *Christopher* and ‘brother’ Richard NEWMAN are mentioned; as well as his three children, one of whom was expected not born at that date. He was made freeman of Galway in 1680. His wife was Ann NEWMAN whom he married by a Cork and Ross licence in 1678. Fisher in the Genealogical Office MSS 289 has *Thomas* of Ardtully Co. Kerry in their marriage settlement. *Thomas* died before 9 May 1684 and was buried at Fedamore leaving issue:
  - *Ann* of Scule, County Limerick, whose administration was granted to *Ann* her mother described as widow of the city of Limerick, on 15 May 1686<sup>284</sup>.
  - *Richard*; and
  - *Catherine* who is said to have married Edmond CUDMORE perhaps a descendent of Edmund CUDMORE who assisted in the appraisal of Humphrey’s inventory in 1623. She is likely to be the Katherine CROKER mentioned in the will of her husband Edmond CUDMORE of Cahirelly, County Limerick, dated 22 December 1696 and proved in the prerogative court on 3 February 1698.
- *Catherine* married firstly to William IEVERS of Mount Ievers, Co Clare, by him she had a daughter:
  - Elizabeth IEVERS

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on the townland in that year. Scoole was still in the possession of the Ballynagarde family in 1900. It appears in the rent Book of *Edward* Ms2636 National Library of Ireland.

<sup>278</sup>*Census of Ireland 1659.*

<sup>279</sup>*Calendar of Orrery Manuscripts.* Historical Manuscripts Commission, Report 36, New Series Vol V, P462.

<sup>280</sup>Casey V 14 P1487.

<sup>281</sup>The memorial inscription is reported in Robinson.

<sup>282</sup>Chancery Bill Book per FindMyPast.

<sup>283</sup>Betham abstracts of administrations (findmypast.com.au): Croker als Ivers, Elizabeth of Ballinnegard Coy Limerick to John Croker of same place the husband 18 day July 1709.

<sup>284</sup>*Phillips Mss*, National Archives Dublin.

She married secondly John WALTHO an English gentleman. They lived at Milltown in Co Cork. Their children include:

- Anne WALTHO who married Benjamin BARRINGTON, Sheriff of Limerick 1729. A number of their descendants had the forename Croker. See for example Lodge Peerage 1904 p111. This union produced many occurrences of Croker as a forename over a long period. For example, George Henry PENTLAND married on 29 January 1998 Jessie Frances BARRINGTON daughter of Sir Croker BARRINGTON Bart and they produced a son Charles Croker PENTLAND who married Ursula Margaret St Leger JAMESON in 1913.
- Daughter,
- Daughter
- Edward WALTHO who died leaving an only daughter;
  - Mary WALTHO who married John HARTNEY<sup>285</sup>
- *Elizabeth* married George FITZGERALD of Clone;
- *Rachel* who married John RUDDOCK son of Andrew RUDDOCK of Ballingard, County Limerick in 1698<sup>286</sup> and whose children John and Andrew were mentioned in her uncle Edward's will in 1732.
- *John* who died young; and
- *Walter* who was a party to his daughter Rachel's marriage settlement on 22 October 1698. He obtained a land grant near Limerick c1700. He died prior to April 1716 predeceasing his father. *Walter* is mentioned on his father's memorial stone. Betham confused generations assigning *Walter* as son of the John who died in 1751 (see section 8.3) and stating *Walter* married twice, firstly to ?? TAYLOR. His second wife's name is not known. The Elizabeth widow whose will proved in Limerick in 1725 may well have been his widow and she may have been Elizabeth daughter of Barry DREW of Ballyduff, County Waterford that appears in one of the Betham pedigrees. By his first wife he had issue:
  - perhaps *Sarah* who married John of Dublin (see section 5.1) prior to 1710.

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<sup>285</sup> See Registry of Deeds, Book 326 Page 1 Memorial 211711

<sup>286</sup> See Registry of Deeds, Book 23 Page 1 Memorial 12166.



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The elder son, *Edward I*, is said to have been born in 1653 and to have married Mary, daughter of John BUCKNOR of Grange, County Limerick on 10 December 1679 by Cashel and Emly licence. She was born in 1658 and died on 15 April 1728. *Edward* was of Rawleighstown, County Limerick, which he or his father probably bought at the auction of forfeited estates in 1702-3. He was evidently well established as a landed gentleman when he was appointed High Sheriff of the County in 1709. He erected a tomb in Cahircorney Churchyard in which he and several of his descendants were buried<sup>287</sup>. *Edward* died on 15 April 1728 and his will was proved in the prerogative court in 1732. He and Mary had issue:

- *John II* of Ballynagarde (see below);
- *Catherine* married firstly, in 1706, (Cashel and Emly) to Nicholas RYVES of Ballyscuddane, County Limerick. He died in 1714 and his will dated 6 March 1714 and proved prerogatively 16 November 1714. In his will he mentions his father-in-law *Edward* and brother-in-law *John* and son William. She married secondly to the Reverend Francis GORE (born 1683 died 10 May 1748). Her issue included:
  - William RYVES<sup>288</sup> and one son to Francis GORE who died young.

<sup>287</sup>William Shaw MASON [1774–1853], *A Statistical Account or Parochial Survey of Ireland ...* Dublin Society Vol II (1816) p92.

<sup>288</sup>He was later of Castle Jane. He married in January 1733/4 Jane GORE daughter of Arthur GORE of Clonmore, County Clare and Mabel CUSACK. Both her parents died before Jane's marriage. See Registry of Deeds, Book 109 Page 513 Memorial 76911 and Book 109 Page 514 Memorial 76912. He was High Sheriff for Limerick in 1741 — *Pue's Occurrences* 17 Jan 1740/1. His death was reported in the *Freeman's Journal* of 8–11 March 1783 — At Castle Jane in the County Limerick in the seventy-third year of his age William [RYVES] Esq. His widow Jane's death in Bath was reported in the *Freeman's Journal* of 6–9 October 1787. *Limerick Chronicle* — 3 March 1783 – Last Friday, at

- Daughter married BYRES;
- *Jane* married .. RINGROSE;
- *Elizabeth* who was deceased in 1732 but had married William PIERS of Rawleighstown, co Limerick, with marriage settlement dated 28 July 1715. He was the second surviving son of Sir Henry PIERS, second baronet by his wife Honora FITZ-MAURICE, daughter of the twentieth Lord Kerry. Their issue were:
  - Edward PIERS
  - Henry PIERS who died young
  - Honora PIERS who married Abraham GREEN of Ballymacreese with marriage settlement dated 29 January 1739<sup>289</sup>. She died prior to 1745<sup>290</sup>.
    - Lititia GREEN who married Rt Hon John ARMSTRONG (born 1732 and died 12 September 1791). She died at Sidmouth on 28 January 1820.
  - Mary who died young
- *Anne*.

*John II*, the only son, was born in 1680 but did not succeed to the Rawleighstown and Ballynagarde estates until 1732. He was Justice of the Peace for several years in the reign of George I<sup>291</sup> and Member of Parliament for Kilmallock from 1723 to 1727. In the spring of 1726 an honorary Doctorate of Laws was conferred on him by Trinity College, Dublin<sup>292</sup>. He died on 6 November 1751<sup>293</sup>. He married on 2 January 1702<sup>294</sup>, *Anne*, daughter of Andrew RICKARDS, born 26 July 1687. Her grandfather also Andrew RICKARDS made provision for her in his 1693 will contingent that she did not marry before her sixteenth birthday. She died before September 1751 when *John* made his will<sup>295</sup>. This long and complicated document vested and entailed his property in such a way that an act of parliament was passed

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Castle-Jane, in the County of Limerick, in the 73d year of his age, most sincerely regretted by a very numerous and respectable acquaintance, William RYVES, Esq; he was a most tender husband, a most affectionate father and a sincere friend. *Limerick Chronicle* — 6 March 1783 – Last Tuesday were deposited in the family vault the remains of William RYVES, late of Castlejane, Esq. The funeral was attended by the Kilfinan Volunteers Horse and Foot, of which Corps he had been Lieutenant Colonel, who paid him all military honour. The great concourse of the principal Gentlemen of the County of Limerick, and numerous Tenantry who have lost a most indulgent landlord, by sincere concern shown upon this occasion gave the most honourable testimony, how much this worthy man was esteemed and beloved in his country.

<sup>289</sup> Registry of Deeds Book 110 Page 478 Memorial [78835](#).

<sup>290</sup> GO MSS [Registered Pedigree Vol 24](#) (NLI image number 384)

<sup>291</sup> *Burke's Irish Family Records*

<sup>292</sup> *Alumni Dublinenses*.

<sup>293</sup> *General Advertiser* (London) — 25 November 1751 – Dublin, Nov, 16. ... Last Week died at his Seat in the County Limerick, John CROKER, Esq; a Gentleman of exceeding good Character. He has left the Bulk of his real and personal Estate, which are very comfortable, to Edward CROKER of Rawleighstown, Esq.

<sup>294</sup> According to a family bible according to Robinson.

<sup>295</sup> Copies of this are held both in the Registry of Deeds and the National Archives. The existence of these copies may indicate that some of its provisions might have been likely to be contested.

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in 1768 to override parts of it to make provision for the younger children of his grandson *John*. He and Anne had a large family:

- *Edward II* of Rawleightown (see below).
- *Andrew* born 11 March 1708. Married circa 15 February 1728<sup>296</sup> Elizabeth, daughter of Walter TAYLOR of Raheens, County Galway. The marriage settlement had a provision for £1,200 to be divided equally amongst the younger children. Andrew was a beneficiary of his grandfather *Edward I*'s will. *Andrew* died in February 1763 at the home of his eldest daughter Ann Catherine TYRRELL at Cappivarna, County Galway<sup>297</sup>. He and Elizabeth had four children who reached adulthood:
  - *Edward* of Annit (Anhid, Anhit), Ballygrenan (Kilbreedy Major parish), Maryfield<sup>298</sup> near Limerick and Kilmallock, County Limerick the eldest son, was mentioned in his grandfather's will. He made a deed in 1764 which mentions his brother *Taylor* and an unnamed daughter<sup>299</sup>. He was made a freeman of Limerick 11 May 1762 along with his brother. The death of his first wife in childbirth was reported in the *Hibernian Chronicle* in 1759. He married secondly Catherine Ann BOWEN daughter of William John BOWEN of Bowenscourt before 1762 when he was mentioned in the will of her father. Their marriage settlement dated 1769 is in the National Library of Ireland as part of the Bowen Papers which are partially calendared in *Analecta Hibernica* 15 (1944). He obtained a lease of Ballygrenan from George Lord CARBERY in 1767. He was a witness to his cousin's, Henry LANGLEY, of Lisamrock, County Tipperary, marriage settlement dated 25 May 1770<sup>300</sup>. He was involved in the parish of St Peter and St Paul in Kilmallock and he signed the extant vestry book first on 9 October 1781 and last on 10 April 1798. He was an applotter for the parish in 1789 and 1790. He was appointed by the vestry to examine the accounts on 28 March 1785. In early 1785 he seems to be acting as a magistrate<sup>301</sup>, indicating he may

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<sup>296</sup>Marriage settlement Registry of Deeds, Book 150 Page 412 Memorial 102702.

<sup>297</sup> *Dublin Courier* – 28 January 1763 – At Capivarna in said County, Andrew CROKER, of Galway, Esq

<sup>298</sup>Mentioned in a deed dated 25 March 1763, Registry of Deeds, Book 225 Page 551 Memorial 147600. George MASSY of Turrets, County Limerick was living there in 1804–5. In advertisements that appeared in the *Limerick General Advertiser* from 7 March to May 1806 it was described as on the Circular Road (an extension of Henry Street beyond Hartstonge Street) and five minutes walk from Newtown-Pery.

<sup>299</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 231 Page 268 Memorial 150025.

<sup>300</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 284 page 540 Memorial 185681 — Henry LANGLEY married Frances JACKSON, daughter of Jeremiah JACKSON, of Fanningstown, county Limerick.

<sup>301</sup> Limerick Chronicle — 31 January 1785 – Whereas a middle sized Man, about 33 years Old, who called himself Tomothy M'CARTHY, and a Woman who passed for his Wife, were on the first day of this Month, apprehended in the town of Bruff, by Edward CROKER, of Kilmallock, Esq; on suspicion of Vending Stolen Goods, and Committed to the Goal of Kilmallock aforesaid, whence they effected an Escape, by leaping at Night out of a Window, two pair of Stairs high; and Whereas the several Article found upon them were seized on by Mr. CROKER, he gives this public Notice that any Person proving Property, and paying the cost of Advertising, may have any of all the said Goods, on application to him.

have been deputy sovereign. In 1793 he made a deed where he describes *Ann* as his only child. He died before 1803. There were two prerogative administration granted on the estate of Edward CROKER of Kilmallock in 1811 which may be related to him or Edward Abraham CROKER.

- *Ann* who married at St Mary Limerick on 12 August 1779 with John ROSE of Roseabbey (part of Anhit), County Limerick, an attorney. *Ann* made over Ballygrenan to James CREED probably a cousin in December 1803<sup>302</sup>. He died before 1806. They had three children.
- ⊕ Richard Croker ROSE was baptised at St Mary Limerick in October 1781 as certified by the Rev Henry Ievers INGRAM<sup>303</sup> in 1825. He became a Captian in the 89th Foot<sup>304</sup>. He was severely wounded at Rangoon, in December 1824 and killed in action at Donabyo on 7 March 1825 during the Burmese War (1824–86)<sup>305</sup>. He was made a freeman of Limerick on 10 October 1819. This was while he was on a visit to his sister Anne<sup>306</sup>. His death was reported in 1825<sup>307</sup>. After his death a request for a annuity for his mother of £50 was made to the Government<sup>308</sup>.
- ⊕ Anne ROSE who married twice, firstly circa 18 June 1797<sup>309</sup> to John KEATING, brother of Lt-Gen Sir Henry S KEATING and then to Thomas WESTROPP of Ross House, Co Clare, second son of Ralph WESTROPP of Attyflyn, Co. Limerick.
- ★ Thomas Johnson WESTROPP who died unmarried in 1838 aged 20.

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The Articles Seized on, are several Skeyns of Silk, of sundry Colours, some yards of Blue Cloth, Corderoy and Sartinet, a pair of new Shoes and a new pair of Brogues, a fine Ruffed Shirt with a deep Hem.

N. B. He sold 35 yards of Stuff, and some yards of Buckram in Bruff, which will be produc3ed for inspection and returned to the Owner, on the Condition before mentioned. Kilmallock, Jan. 29, 1785

<sup>302</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 595 Page 325 Memorial 406543.

<sup>303</sup> He was married to Richard Croker ROSE's cousin Mary TYRRELL see Appendix NN.

<sup>304</sup> Charles CROKER Glanaboy branch was also a captain in this regiment.

<sup>305</sup> George William De Rhe-Philips, *A Narative of the First Burmese War 1824–26*, Calcutta 1905

<sup>306</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 5 October 1819 – We notice with pleasure the arrival of Capt ROSE, 89th regt. in this county; after a lapse of 13 yrs. in honourable service in India, he has now revisited his native shore; attended with the cordial gratulations of a highly respectable family and numerous circle of friends; the visit of this gentleman must be very gratifying to his countrymen; as his character has ever been distinguished by bravery and independence---he is at present on a visit at the house of his brother-in-law, Thos. WESTROPP, Esq. O'Brien's-Bridge.

<sup>307</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 17 September 1825 – We are extremely sorry to find that, amongst the killed at Rangoon, is Captain ROSE of the 89th Regiment, brother to Mrs. Thomas WESTROPP, of Rose-hill. The death of this excellent officer ia a source of great affliction to his family; for the last twenty years he had been on active service and had been severely wounded in an engagement with the Burmese last year.

<sup>308</sup> WO42 Piece 040: R 167-335 (1776-1881)

<sup>309</sup> Registry of Deeds — Book 511 Page 176 Memorial 330954.

- ⊕ Mary ROSE who married Roger O'CALLAGHAN of Stay Hill, county Cork on 5 May 1806 at St Georges church in St Munchins parish Limerick<sup>310</sup>.
- *Matthew* who deserted in April 1780 while on furlough from the Captain (later General Sir) Ralph ABERCROMBIE's company of the Third Regiment of Horse may be another child of *Edward* of Anhid. A newspaper advertisement<sup>311</sup> at the time of his desertion mentions that his father was a merchant at Charleville, county Cork. There was however no CROKER in the 1766 census living at Charleville nor any CROKERS in the parish records of Ballyhea.
- *Taylor*, who was wounded at the battle of Bunker Hill<sup>312</sup>, near Boston, Massachusetts, 17 June 1775. He appears in Army List of 1779 as Lieutenant in 37th Regiment of Foot having held that rank in the Army from 27 November 1760. In 1762 he was a Lieutenant in the 93rd Regiment of Foot. In February 1763 he married Susanna STAMMER who was the widow and second wife of Valentine QUIN (died 1755) of Rossbrin in the Southern liberties of Limerick City. She and Valentine had a son George QUIN who was an officer in the thirty-fifth regiment of foot<sup>313</sup>. She died his widow aged 81 on 16 July 1796<sup>314</sup>.
- *Ann Catherine* who married Richard TYRRELL of Cappivarna, County Galway. In 1760 Andrew made a deed of mortgage<sup>315</sup> ensuring the payment of the portion due to *Ann Catherine* through the 1728 marriage settlement. He may be the Richard TYRRELL who resigned as town major of Galway in early 1769 or late

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<sup>310</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* 6 May 1806 — Yesterday morning, by the Rev William HOARE in St Georges Church, Roger O'CALLAGHAN of Stay Hill, Co Cork, to the amiable Miss Mary ROSE, daughter of the late John ROSE Esq attorney.

<sup>311</sup> *Hibernian Chronicle* — 11 May 1780 – DESERTED From his Majesty's 3d Regiment of HORSE, or Carabineers, MATHEW CROAKER About 28 years of age, 5 feet 10 and quarter inches high without his shoes, born in Charleville, in the county of Cork, his complexion fair, thin visaged, fair hair and aukward method of walking. He deserted off Furlow, and took with him his regimental cloathing and silver laced hat. He also stole a horse from his father, who is a Merchant at Charleville, at the time he deserted. Whoever apprehends and secures the above Deserter, in any of his Majesty's Gaols or Guard-Houses in this Kingdom, shal receive One Guinea Reward, over and above what is allowed by Act of Parliament, by applying to the Commanding Officer of the Regiment at Tullamore, or to Sir Wm. MONTGOMERY, Bart. Dublin. April 27.

<sup>312</sup> Clarke, John (fl. 1767-1775), *An impartial and authentic narrative of the battle fought on the 17th of June, 1775, between His Britannic Majesty's troops and the American provincial army, on Bunker's Hill, near Charles Town, in New-England. With a True and Faithful Account of the Officers who were killed and wounded in that memorable Battle. To which are added, Some particular Remarks and Anecdotes which have not yet transpired. The whole being collected and written on the Spot. By John Clarke, First Lieutenant of Marines.* London (1775). Page 9.

Burke's *Irish Family Records* states incorrectly that he was killed.

<sup>313</sup> Registry of Deeds – Book 502 Page 226 Memorial 324460 dated 1 February 1796.

<sup>314</sup> *Limerick Chroicle* — 16 July 1796 –This morning in Mary Street, Mrs CROKER, aged 81 years relict of Captain Taylor CROKER

<sup>315</sup> Registry of Deeds – Book 219 Page 529 Memorial 144584 dated 5 April 1760.

1768<sup>316</sup> and whose will dated 22 October 1775 and proved 24 March 1776 in PCA as of Gort, County Galway in which he mentions his wife and surviving children. A descendant appears to be Edward Croker TYRRELL who married — RUTLEDGE and had a daughter Elizabeth Rutledge TYRRELL who married, circa 1820, John Freeman HEWSON.

- Martha TYRRELL who married circa 23 August 1773<sup>317</sup> Edward HOARE who was a cornet in 13th Dragoons at the time of his marriage and who was the eldest son of Robert HOARE of Factory Hill, county Cork. In a deed dated in 1780 Edward HAORE is a party of the first part and noted as surviving executor of Richard TYREELL of Gort<sup>318</sup>. Richard (sen)'s other children are also parties.
- Richard TYRRELL of Gort, County Galway. He made a lease of property in Tullamore, county Offaly, in 1779<sup>319</sup>. He was mentioned in his father's will.
- Edward Croker TYRRELL. He is mentioned in the parliamentary papers<sup>320</sup> in 1812 owing £1,798-19-6 arising from stamps for which he was a distributor but lost. He was living near Gort and under pecuniary embarrassments at that time. It may have been his wife Marie RUTLEDGE whose death was reported in the Limerick General Advertiser on 2 February 1810.
  - ⊕ An Edward Croker TYRRELL married on 16 January 1823, at St Mary's, Dublin, Clarissa Jane CROOKE. He is likely a son of Richard or Edward.
  - ⊕ Harriette Bruen TYRRELL who was daughter of Capt Edward Croker TYRRELL of Woodstock Co Galway and died 5 July 1886 at an advanced age. She was the widow of Daniel LOMBARD of Mount Mary Co Cork, and was niece of Francis KNOX of Rappe Castle, Co Mayo.<sup>321</sup>
    - ★ Charlotte Clarissa Tyrrell LONBARD who married Edward Bryan SHEEHY Esq in Dublin on 16 November 1869 at the Roman Catholic Chapel Haddington Road, Donnybrook, Co Dublin.<sup>322</sup>
    - ★ Daniel Edward Tyrrell LOMBARD born on 20 December 1845 Ballinhassig, Co Cork

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<sup>316</sup> *Hoey's Dublin Mercury* — 30 January 1769 – William Henry LE GRAUD, gent town major of Galway in room of Richard TYRRELL resigned

<sup>317</sup> Marriage settlement – Registry of Deeds Book 403 Page 391 Memorial 267920.

<sup>318</sup> Registry of Deeds Book 330 page 635 memorial [225950](#)

<sup>319</sup> Registry of Deeds Book 325 page 452 Memorial 221722.

<sup>320</sup> 1812 – 1812, Volume 5 — Commissioners of Inquiry into Fees and Emoluments received in Public Offices in Ireland: eleventh report, part II (arrear and balances) and appendix.

<sup>321</sup> *Freeman's Journal* – 6 July 1886 and *Cork Constitution* 7 July 1886

<sup>322</sup> *Boston Pilot* 11 December 1869 and Irish Civil Registration records

★ ?Cherry A LOMBARD a witness to Charlotte's marriage.

- Jane TYRRELL mentioned in her father's will.
- Mary TYRRELL who married the Rev Henry Ievers INGRAM on 20 January 1783<sup>323</sup>. He died circa 9 June 1827<sup>324</sup>. She died 22 August 1832 and has a memorial tablet in St Nicholas, Galway<sup>325</sup>.
  - ⊕ Robert INGRAM a solicitor of Galway who died 3 December 1847
  - ⊕ A daughter who married Charles LOPDELL in April 1812<sup>326</sup>.
  - ⊕ Jane Marianne INGRAM, the second daughter, who married John BRADSHAW on 20 December 1826<sup>327</sup>. She married secondly circa 28 March 1850 to Alexander George ROGERS.
  - ⊕ Julia Mary INGRAM who married James STEPHENS, of Galway, circa 5 October 1830 and who died on the 7th November 1844, aged 33 years. Her daughter Georgina Mary BLAND erected the memorial tablet in St Nicholas, Galway.
- Anne TYRRELL who was mentioned in her father's will.
  - Mary married circa July 1752<sup>328</sup> John CREED of Uregare, County Limerick and had issue including.
    - Mary CREED who married a MASSY<sup>329</sup>.

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<sup>323</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 23 January 1783 – Last Monday (and not before), at Castle-Taylor, Co. Galway, the seat of Walter TAYLOR Esq, the Rev Mr Henry INGRAM, son of Rev Jaques INGRAM of Limerick to Miss Mary TYRRELL, daughter of the late Major TYRRELL of Gort, a young lady endowed with every qualification necessary to render the Marriage State truly happy.

*Freeman's Journal* — 28–30 January 1783 – At Castle Taylor, the seat of Walter TAYLOR Esq, the Rev Mr Henry [Ievers] INGRAM, son of Rev Jaques INGRAM of Limerick to Miss Mary TYRRELL of Gort.

<sup>324</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 9 June 1827 – The remains of the Rev. Henry Ievers INGRAM, were interred this morning in the family vault, at Kilmurry Church. The Burial service was read by the Rev. Mr. DUDELL. The vast concourse of Gentlemen from the City and surrounding Country who followed the hearse, evinced the high respect and esteem in which he was held by all classes.

<sup>325</sup> In memory of Mary Tyrrell, wife of the late Revd. Henry Ievers INGRAM, Rector of Kilmurry and Garrison Chaplain of the City of Limerick, who departed this life on the 22nd of August, 1832, aged 50 years. And of her daughter, Julia Mary, Wife of James STEPHENS, of Galway, who departed this life on the 7th November 1844, aged 33 years. This tablet is erected by Georgina Mary BLAND, in memory of her mother and grandmother. May 1901.

<sup>326</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 28 April 1812 – Yesterday, by special licence, at her father's house, in George's street, Charles LOPDELL, of Castle Lodge, county Galway, to Miss INGRAM, daughter of the Rev Henry Ievers INGRAM, Chaplain to this Garrison

<sup>327</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 20 December 1826 – This morning, at Kilmurry Church, by her father, John BRADSHAW, of Ballyfreen, in this County, Esq. to Jane Marianne, second daughter of the Rev. H. I. INGRAM.

<sup>328</sup> *Magazine of Magazines* — 28 July 1752 – John Creed of Uregare to Miss Croker, the daughter of Andrew Croker

<sup>329</sup> Registry of Deeds Book 353 Page 416 Memorial 239709. Concerning a rent charge from Maryville.



- *Abraham*, born circa 1710. He was appointed Port Surveyor at Galway in 1753<sup>330</sup> and held the position to 1760<sup>331</sup>. He was confined in Galway Jail in 1759 for debts<sup>332</sup>. He died early February 1771 in the parish of St John, Limerick. His wife Elizabeth, said to have born in 1716, died circa 16 June 1791 in the same parish. His widow advertised in the *Limerick Chronicle* on 24 December 1772 that she was starting a school with Mrs RYAN in a house in Quay Lane Limerick City. *Abraham's* children appear to be:
  - *Isabella*, baptised at St John, Limerick 22 June 1748; and
  - *John* who was described as son of *Abraham* when he was made freeman of Limerick on 11 May 1762. *Hoey's Dublin Mercury* 5–7 March 1771 reported the death of "Mr John CROKER son of the late Mr Abraham CROKER". He may be the father of Alice who married William Annersley MURRAY c1790 and immigrated to America.
  - *Edward Abraham* see the chapter of Kilmallock and Newcastle NSW on page 105.
- *Rickards* who died 31 May 1763, when his fortune passed to his brother Edward. He was made freeman of Limerick circa 1740<sup>333</sup>.
- *John*. Described as youngest son in his father's will. Entered Trinity College, Dublin 12 February 1726-7 aged 18, scholar 1730, BA Spring 1731 MA Easter 1734<sup>334</sup>. Said to have been an attorney in Dublin, probably in the office of his name sake of the Lisnabrin branch, whose daughter he is said to have married<sup>335</sup>. He is wrongly credited with being the grandfather of Baroness CROFTON (see Appendix E). He sold his land inheritance to his brother *Edward* in 1754<sup>336</sup>. One of his servants was robbed eleven and a half Guineas in October 1753<sup>337</sup>.

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<sup>330</sup> *Pue's Occurrences* — 3 March 1753 – We hear that James DAVIS Esq. Succeeds Mr PHILLIPS in his Employment; that Mathew PENNEFATHER, Port Surveyor of Galway is made Land Waiter in Limerick, in room of Thomas BLENNERHASSETT Esq made Surveyor, in the room of Robert LESLIE Esq made Collector of Tralee, and Mr Abraham CROKER succeeds Mr PENNEFATHER as Port Surveyor of Galway

<sup>331</sup> *Gentleman's Magazine* — December 1760 p 692– Henry WHITE, Esq; app. surveyor of the port of Galway in the room of Mr. Abraham CROKER.

<sup>332</sup> *The Statutes at Large, Passed in the Parliaments Held in Ireland: From the the third year of Edward the Second 1310 ... to 1761* – Volume VII. p772

<sup>333</sup> Manuscript in the Society of Genealogists in London. There are no details recorded about the manuscript other than it was donated by Mrs ROWAN c1910. The paper and writing are consistent with it being produced c1800 perhaps in the context of the dispute with the corrupt VEREKER family control of the Council. See also Index of the Freeman of Limerick, *North Munster Antiquarian Journal* 4(3) (1945) pp103–30.

<sup>334</sup> *Alumni Dublinenses*.

<sup>335</sup> Betham pedigrees.

<sup>336</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 169 Page 554 Memorial 115229 and Book 169 Page 556 Memorial 11537 dated 2 March 1754.

<sup>337</sup> *Pue's Occurrences* — 6 October 1753 – Same evening [Monday last] about half an hour after 7 o'clock as a servant belonging to John CROKER Esq; was returning to town, he was attacked near the Red Lion, beyond Kilmainham, by three footpads one of whom held a pistol to his breast,



- *Arabella*. Not mentioned in her father's will may have died young.
- *Mary* married John DILLON of Quartertown, County Cork. Their children included:
  - Arthur DILLON of Harrierville, county Cork, who married Harriet ROBERTS. Their child:
    - Harriet Jane DILLON married Maj *Henry* of Quartertown (see Chapter 11)
  - Croker DILLON who was born in 1739 and married in 1764 Mary BUNWORTH second daughter of Rev Charles BUNWORTH and Maria De Le COUR. She was born on 1 July 1744 and died 3 May 1816. He died 1 July 1775. Their children included:
    - Maria DILLON who was born in 1765 and married firstly in December 1784 William FITTON of Cork and secondly Major *Thomas* (see page 33).
    - Elizabeth DILLON who born in 1768 and died unmarried on 27 February 1838 at Blackrock, county Cork<sup>338</sup>.
    - Ann DILLON who was born in 1769.
    - Harriet DILLON who was born in 1772 and died unmarried
    - John DILLON who was born 1773 died 18 May 1792 while at Trinity College Dublin.
    - Charles DILLON who was born in 1775 and married firstly Catherine DILLON who died in September 1807. He married secondly Marian HARE who died on 16 Jul 1823. He died on 26 Mar 1823.
    - Caroline DILLON who was born in 1776 and died on 18 December 1797.
  - Anne DILLON who married William BAKER of Ballydavid and Lisahill.
- *Alice* married Charles LANGLEY son of Henry LANGLEY of Lisnamrock, County Tipperary. Their marriage settlement was dated 15 May 1744<sup>339</sup>. Their children include:
  - Henry LANGLEY who married Frances JACKSON, daughter of Jeremiah JACKSON, of Fanningstown, County Limerick. Their marriage settlement was dated 25 May 1770. One of the witnesses was Henry's cousin, *Edward* of Bruff (and Anhid, Annets; see earlier.).

The last two spouses of *John*'s daughters were trustees to their father-in-law's will.

*Edward*, eldest son of *John*, was born 25 November 1704. He married 20 October 1726 to Elizabeth, daughter of Henry PRITTIE of Kilboy, County Tipperary<sup>340</sup>. She was born 4 April

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swearing that if he stirred he would blow his brains out, while the other two rifled his pockets of eleven Guineas abd a half, with which they made off across the fields. The sevant immediately alarmed the neighbourhood and having got a party of eight men they went in pursuit of them, but it being dark the Villians found means of concealing in the hedges.

<sup>338</sup>Limerick Standard — 6 March 1838 – At Blackrock near Cork, Elizabeth daughter of the late Croker DILLON Esq.

<sup>339</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 116 Page 312 Memorial 80522.

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1707<sup>341</sup> and died in April 1781<sup>342</sup>. *Edward* built a large house on the estate, and was High Sheriff of County Limerick in 1735<sup>343</sup>. He was made Deputy Governor of County Limerick and Colonel of an independent troop in 1744<sup>344</sup>. He died at Rawleighstown on 26 October 1786 in his 83rd year, leaving three sons and a daughter:

- *Ann* who was born on 9 August 1727<sup>345</sup>. She married John BAYLY in 1745<sup>346</sup>. She died on 21 November 1749<sup>347</sup> and she is referred to as deceased in a deed dated 1 December 1749<sup>348</sup>
- *Elizabeth* who was born 9 May 1729.
- *John*, his heir, who was born on 6 April 1730. He married on 18 April 1753 Sarah daughter of Richard PENNEFATHER MP of New Park, County Tipperary<sup>349</sup>. *John*

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<sup>340</sup> *Analecta Hibernica*, 12 p150 — Manuscripts at Kilboy: 20 October 1726 Marriage settlement of *Edward* (eldest son of *John*) and Elizabeth PRITTIE.

<sup>341</sup> Betham pedigrees.

<sup>342</sup> *Dublin Hibernian Journal* — 16 April 1781 – the lady of Edward CROKER, Esq; of Rawleighstown

<sup>343</sup> *Burkes Irish Family Records and Pue's Occurences* — 26 November 1734

<sup>344</sup> *London Gazette* — 10 May 1744 – Dublin, May 5. Their Excellencies the Lords Justices have appointed Edward CROKER, of Rawleighstown, Esq; to be Deputy-Governor of the County Limerick, and Colonel of an Independent Troop for said County.

<sup>345</sup> The birth dates of these children come from a family diary that was published in the Memorials of the Dead volume xx page xx as follows:

Croker Family. Particulars supplied by Captain G. S. Cary, from family bible in the possession of Mrs. Louisa Cary.

Edward Croker Esq. was married to Miss Eliza Prittie the 12 Oct. 1726.

His first was Ann Crooker[sic]. Born 9 Aug. 1727, her Godfather was her uncle Harrison and her Godmothers were her grandmother Croker and Mrs Catherine Percival, her greataunt.

2nd daughter was Elizabeth Croker, born 9 May 1729. Godfather was Richard Villiers Esq. and her Godmothers Mrs. Catherine Prittie, her aunt and Mrs. Margaret Moore.

3rd was John Croker, born 6 April 1730. His Godfathers were his grandfather John Croker and his uncle Henry Prittie. His Godmother was Mrs. Waller.

4th was Henry Croker, born 31 Aug. 1731. Henry Prittie and Edward Taylor were his Godfathers, his Godmother was Mrs. Deborah Bayly.

All these were born at Killboy in Co. Tipperary.

5th was Edward Croker who was born at Rawleighstown the 11 July 1739, his Godfathers were the Right Hon. Lord Tyrone and Sir Richard Meade, Barronet, his God mothers were Mrs. King of Kilpeacon and Mrs Perry of Limerick.

6th was Thomas M. Croker, born at Rawleighstown the 1 April 1742, his Godfathers were the Right Hon. Thomas Carter, Master of the Rolls and the Rev. William Meade, Dean of Cork, his Godmothers were Mrs Taylor of Ballynort and Mrs. Ryves of Castle Jane.

<sup>346</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 128 Page 312 Memorial 86990.

<sup>347</sup> *Munster Journal* — 27 November 1749 – Dublin Nov 23: Tuesday died in Clarendon Street Mrs BAYLEY, wife of John BAYLEY of Debsborough in the county Tipperary Esq; and daughter of Edward CROKER of the county Limerick

<sup>348</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 101 Page 560 Memorial 93122.

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was High Sheriff of the County in 1755<sup>350</sup>. Sarah died 6 May 1803 aged 73<sup>351</sup>. *John* died on 11 February 1795. He was Member of Parliament for Feathard, County Tipperary in 1768.

- *Edward* of Ballynagarde who married 12 December 1782 Margaret Anne HARE younger daughter of Richard HARE of Ennismore, County Kerry (see below)
- *Richard* (Rev) BA of Croom see that chapter.
- *John* who was Captain in 103rd Foot and was of the City of Limerick 10 January 1793. He received a beating order to raise a corps in 1795<sup>352</sup>. He was promoted to Lt-Col 28 January 1795; Colonel 1 June 1805 and Major General 25 July 1810. He was on half pay for many years, but he was serving on the staff at St Vincents in the West Indies in May 1815. He married at Limerick 10 January 1793<sup>353</sup>, Honora O'GRADY daughter of John O'GRADY of Cahir Guillamore, County Limerick by his first wife Mary ROE. Their marriage settlement was dated three days earlier<sup>354</sup>. She died 9 August 1833 and he died on 13 October 1833<sup>355</sup>. They had issue:
  - *Mary* their only child who married on 22 February 1815 at Clonakilty church, George SANDES of Kileavan, Queen's county, by Cork & Ross

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<sup>349</sup>Marriage settlement dated 18 April 1753, Registry of Deeds, Book 176 Page 8 Memorial 116179.

<sup>350</sup>*Pue's Occurrences* — 21 December 1754 – Their excellencies the Lords Justices have been pleased to appoint the following gentlemen High Sheriffs for the ensuing year:

County Limerick: John CROKER Esq

Wexford: Richard BOYLE of Graige Esq

<sup>351</sup>*Limerick Chronicle* — 7 May 1803 – Yesterday at her house on Arthur's Quay, Mrs. CROKER, aged 73 years, relict of John CROKER, late of Rawleighstown, in this co. Esq; a Lady whose universal charity and religious observance of every relative duty, renders her a very sensible loss to her friends and reputable family.

*Walker's Hibernian Magazine* — June 1803 – At Limerick Mrs CROKER, aged 73, relict of John CROKER late of Raleighstown, Esq

<sup>352</sup>*Freeman's Journal* 26 March 1795 — Major John CROKER of Limerick has received a beating order for raising a corps of which he is to be a Lieutenant Colonel Commandant.

<sup>353</sup>*Limerick Chronicle* — 12 January 1793 – Last Thursday, by the Rev. Richard CROKER, at St. George's Church, Captain John CROKER, to Miss Honora GRADY, second daughter of John GRADY, of Cahir, in the County of Limerick, Esq; a most accomplished young lady, with a large fortune. le poer

<sup>354</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 496 Page 269 Memorial 367858.

<sup>355</sup>*Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel* — 25 October 1833 – In Baggot street, Dublin, on Sunday last, Lt Gen [John] CROKER, who for many years commanded the 15th Regt and was brother of the late Edward CROKER, Esq of Ballynegard, co Limerick.

*Limerick Chronicle* — 23 October 1833 – On the 13th instant, in Baggot street, Dublin, Lt Gen [John] CROKER, he survived his wife but two months and four days — he for many years commanded the 15th Regt and was brother of the late Edward CROKER, Esq of Ballynegard, in this county.

licence<sup>356</sup>. Administration of her estate was granted in 1856 in Cork Diocese.

- *William* solicitor of Dublin that chapter.
- *Henry* Major of Quarters town, County Cork see that chapter.
- *Sarah* who was born circa 1760 and married in April 1786 Lancelot Charles SANDYS of Kilcoran, Queen's county. She died in April 1843<sup>357</sup>.
- *Charity* who married as his second wife at Cahercorney on 11 August 1789<sup>358</sup>, John O'GRADY of Cahir Guillamore, County Limerick by Cashel and Emly marriage licence. John O'GRADY was the father, by his first wife Mary ROE, of Honora O'GRADY who married *Charity's* brother *John* (see section 8.5i.c). *Charity's* death at Dunowen house, the seat of G SANDS Esq, was reported in the Limerick Chronicle of 10 May 1834.
- *Elizabeth* who married her cousin Edward of Grange Hill
- *Henry* who was born on 31 August 1731 and died 4 May 1762<sup>359</sup> prerogative administration 1762.
- *Edward* who was born on 11 July 1739. He was described as Captain (of 1st Horse in 1766 Army List) and was of Grange Hill, County Limerick. He was made freeman of Limerick on 3 September 1759 when he was described as Cornet. His wife was Susannah SANDES the second daughter of Lancelot SANDES of Killcavan Queens Co. Their marriage settlement was dated 1 July 1768<sup>360</sup>. She died 18 June 1791. His obituary in the Limerick General Advertiser on 14 October 1808 stated that he died on the preceding Saturday and was a captain of a troop in the First or Royal Blues. They had five children:

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<sup>356</sup>*Limerick General Advertiser* — 7 March 1815 – In Clonakilty church, by Rev John CROKER of Croom on Thursday se'nnight, George SANDES, Esq of Kileavan, Queens county, to Mary only child of Major General John CROKER, commanding in St Vincent's, an amiable young lady, with a large fortune. After the ceremony the happy couple returned to Dunowen House, the seat of her aunt Mrs GRADY, where they spent the Honey Moon.

<sup>357</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 20 April 1843 – At Morgans, county Limerick, aged 83 years, Sarah relict of Lancelot SANDES, Esq late of Kileavin, in the Queen's county

<sup>358</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 17 August 1789 – At Cahircorney church by the Rev Richard CROKER, John O'GRADY of Caher, county Limerick, to Miss CROKER, daughter of John CROKER of Rawleightown, Esq

*Finn's Leinster Journal* — 22 August 1789 – In Limerick, John O'GREADY, of Cahier, esq to Miss CROKER daughter of John CROKER, of Rawlinstown, Esq;

<sup>359</sup>Betham pedigrees.

<sup>360</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 270 Page 582 Memorial 175280. See also *Freeman's Journal* 19–23 July 1768 — A few days ago, at Limerick Capt CROKER of Caherline to Miss Susannah SANDES daughter of Launcelot SANDES, Queens Co, Esq

- *Edward*, also of Grange Hill, who married his cousin *Elizabeth*, daughter of his uncle *John* of Ballynagarde. He died 22 June 1820<sup>361</sup> and his wife in March 1840<sup>362</sup>. Their issue included:
  - *Edward John* who married on 29 December 1825, Elizabeth Vowel COX, youngest daughter of the late William COX of Ballynoe, County Limerick<sup>363</sup> and Mary SCANLAN. She died 16 June 1841<sup>364</sup> and was buried at St George's Hardwicke place on 19 June 1841 aged 34 years. He married secondly on 6 April 1848<sup>365</sup> Sarah Charity SANDES second daughter of George SANDES of Dunowen House, county Cork.
- *Elizabeth* married Captain Robert WARBURTON RN on 10 September 1896 at Millbrooke, Queens Co<sup>366</sup>. He died in September 1807<sup>367</sup>.
  - Son born 13 July 1799<sup>368</sup>.
  - Son born July 1805.
  - Susan Catherine WARBURTON, the eldest daughter, who married Capt R C ELLIOTT circa 1 July 1828 in Dublin.
- *Mary* who married firstly on 22 January 1786, at Portpatrick, Wigtownshire, Scotland<sup>369</sup>, Nicholas Foord ROYCE of Nantinan, County Limerick, who was the

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<sup>361</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 29 June 1820 – On the 22d inst, at Grange Hill, co Limerick, Edward CROKER Esq

<sup>362</sup>*Limerick Standard* — 23 March 1840 – At an advanced age, at Grange Hill, in this county, Mrs CROKER, relict of the late Edward CROKER, Esq. She died as she lived a meak and humble follower of her beloved saviour.

<sup>363</sup>*Limerick Chronicle* — 31 December 1825 – On Thursday, at Cahirnarry church, by the Rev Edward CROKER, Edward John CROKER of Grange Hill, in the county Limerick, to Elizabeth Vowel youngest daughter of the late William COX, of Ballynoe in said county Esq

<sup>364</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 22 June 1841 – On the 16th inst, in North Great George's street Elizabeth Vowel, wife of Edward John CROKER Esq of Grange Hill in the co Limerick

<sup>365</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 13 April 1848 – On the 6th inst, at Clonakilty Church, Edward John CROKER Esq of Grange Hill, county Limerick, to Sarah Charity second daughter of George SANDES Esq of Dunowen House, county Cork

<sup>366</sup>Clare Journal — 19 September 1796 – On the 10th inst at Millbrook, Queen's County, Capt. WARBURTON of the Royal Navy to Miss CROKER, daughter of Edward CROKER of Grange Hill, in this county, Esq

<sup>367</sup>*Limerick General Advertiser* — 20 November 1807 – On Tuesday at his house in George's Street universally lamented, Robert WARBURTON, Esq Captain in the Royal Navy to which he was promoted in 1795 and for 12 years Regulating Officer of this port, which trust he executed with honor and humanity. He was a few days ago appointed by the Admiralty to the Port of Dublin, where he intended to remove this week – yesterday morning his remains were interred in the St John's churchyard.

<sup>368</sup>*Limerick Chronicle* — 13 July 1799 – In William Street, this morning, the Lady of Captain WARBURTON, of the Royal Navy, of a son.

<sup>369</sup>*Irish Ancestor* Vol IX No 2 (1977) p 114.

son of Thomas Henry ROYCE and Martha FOORD<sup>370</sup>. He died in Dublin on 25 March 1809 and Mary married secondly circa 2 February 1810 in Dublin, Henry WILLOE an Attorney of Dublin who died before 1818. She died circa 6 May 1835 in Dublin<sup>371</sup>. She had several children by her first husband.

- Thomas Henry Forde Russell Buckworth ROYCE who was born on 7 January 1793<sup>372</sup> and married on 30 December 1819<sup>373</sup> Margaret, daughter of Alexander HOSKINS of Broughton Hall, in Cumbria.
- Abraham Forde ROYCE who married ... LYNCH
- Nicholas Forde ROYCE who died in 1821.
- William Forde ROYCE who married a daughter of Admiral Sir Thomas HARVEY
- Eliza ROYCE died unmarried.
- Mary ROYCE who married on 15 August 1822, Francis NESBITT<sup>374</sup> of Derrycarn, in county Limerick. She died in 1829.
- Anne whose death was reported in March 1793<sup>375</sup>.
- Thomas M who was born on 1 April 1742.

Edward III eldest son and heir of John of Ballynagarde married on 12 December 1782<sup>376</sup> Margaret Anne HARE younger daughter of Richard HARE of Ennismore, County Kerry and sister of first Earl of Listowel. He died 30 March 1830<sup>377</sup>. She died 18 August 1810<sup>378</sup>. They had issue:

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<sup>370</sup> Thomas Henry ROYCE and Martha FOORD were married 4 April 1763. Martha was a daughter of Nicholas FOORD of Limerick esq.

<sup>371</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 6 May 1835

<sup>372</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 9 January 1793, Wednesday – Monday in the Square, the lady of Nicholas Foorde ROYCE, Esq; of a Son and Heir.

<sup>373</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 31 December 1819 –Yesterday by special licence at Newcastle in this county, by the Rt Rev the Lord Bishop of Limerick, attended by the Archdeacon of Taum and the Rectors of Newcastle and Kilmeedy, Thomas Henry Ford Russell Buckworth ROYCE Esq to a daughter of Alexander HOSKINS of the Castle ...

<sup>374</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 21 Aug 1822 – At St Peter's church, on the 13th inst, Francis NESBITT Esq late 18th Hussars, to Mary daughter of the late Nicholas Forde ROYCE Esq of Nantenant, co Limerick

<sup>375</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 23 March 1793 – Thursday morning, in the Square, Miss CROKER, daughter of Edward CROKER, of Grange-Hill, in the County of Limerick, Esq ...

<sup>376</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 19 December 1782, Thursday – Last Thursday was married at Cork, Edward CROKER, Esq; Major of the County Limerick Horse, to the amiable Miss HARE, daughter of Richard HARE, Esq; of that city.

<sup>377</sup> *Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel* – 2 April 1830 — Tuesday night at his seat Ballyneguard, County Limerick, at an advanced age Edward CROKER Esq a gentleman who spent his fortune in the bosom of his tenantry, to whom he was ever a kind and indulgent landlord.

<sup>378</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 25 August 1810 – At his seat Ballyneguard, county Limerick, Mrs CROKER, wife of Edward CROKER Esq and sister to Lord Ennismore

- *John* described as the eldest son in the Betham abstract of his grandfather's Richard HARE's will dated 27 October 1785 and proved 14 January 1795. See below.
- *Albert* First Lieutenant in Royal Navy. He died unmarried at Malta on 27 January 1826<sup>379</sup>. He was invalided in 1823 as a Lieutenant.
- *Richard Hare* who was Colonel of 18th Hussars and married 23 July 1821 at Huddersfield, Yorks, Amelia HAIGH eldest daughter of Joseph HAIGH of Whitwell Hall, Yorkshire. She was born Golcar, Yorkshire. He was made cornet on 27 June 1805, lieutenant 2 January 1806, captain 9 July 1812, major 18 June 1815 and Lieutenant-colonel 10 January 1837. He spent most of the 1820s and 1830s attached to the Portuguese service. He is mentioned in a deed of 1836 as living in Foston, Yorks<sup>380</sup>. *Richard* (aged 62), *Amelia* (aged 50) and two of their youngest children appear in the 1851 census at Claremont House, Charlotte Street, Leamington Priors Warwick, Warwickshire<sup>381</sup>. He died 15 January 1854 and his will was proved PCC by *Henry* of Dromkeen, County Limerick. She died aged 88 on 6 May 1887 at Brighton.
  - *Edward Hare* who was born on 19 July 1822 and became Captain in 6th Dragoons He married on 8 January 1851 Isabella MC NEILL eldest daughter of Sir John MC NEILL of Mount Pleasant, Dundalk and Rutland Square, Dublin. He died in 1866. They had a son on 26 July 1855<sup>382</sup>.
  - *Richard* on born 5 March 1823. He was a lieutenant in the third Dragoons. He married Frances Sophia BAKER daughter of Capt George BAKER RN on 30 June 1859<sup>383</sup>.
  - *Emilia* on born 20 January 1824. She married prior to 1852, George KEMPLAND a lieutenant in the East India Company Service. She died before 1858<sup>384</sup>.
  - *Augustus Henry* born circa 1835 at Chilton, Gloucestershire and died at Leamington on 14 November 1851<sup>385</sup>.
  - *Louisa Georgina* born circa 1 October 1835 at Foston, Yorkshire<sup>386</sup>.

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<sup>379</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 29 March 1826 – At Malta, on 27th of January last, Albert CROKER, Esq. First Lieutenant of his Majesty's ship Cambrian, sincerely regretted by his friends and brother officers — he was son of Edward CROKER, Esq. of Ballyneguard, in this County.

<sup>380</sup> National Archives D1320?

<sup>381</sup> PRO HO/107/2072 Folio 258 p22

<sup>382</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 30 July 1855 – July 26, at Mountpleasant, Dundalk, the wife of Capt CROKER, late of the Carbineers, of a son

<sup>383</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 6 July 1859 – June 30, at Leamington, Richard CROKER, Esq, late of the 3d Dragoon Guards, second son of the late Col Richard Hare CROKER, formerly of the 18th hussars, to Frances Sophia, daughter of Capt George BAKER RN

<sup>384</sup> Registry of Deeds — Volume 28 of 1858 folio 250 – Her brother, Arthur Charles's marriage settlement.

<sup>385</sup> *Freeman's Fournal* — 19 November 1851 – November 14, at Leamington, Augustus Henry, third son of Colonel CROKER, of the late 18th Hussars

<sup>386</sup> The York Herald, and General Advertiser (York, England) – 8 October 1836 – On Saturday last, at Foston, near this city, the Lady of Major CROKER, of a daughter.

- *Arthur Charles* born Foston 13 July 1838<sup>387</sup>. He married Anastasia Margaret Elizabeth DOWDALL on 28 July 1858<sup>388</sup> at Kingstown Registry Office. She appears to have been a Roman Catholic as he appears in a list of converts in 1858<sup>389</sup>. He was at Willesden, Middlesex with his wife Anastasia for the 1881 census. He died 3 November 1899.
- *Edward* (Rev) who entered Trinity College Dublin 20 December 1804 aged 17 and subsequently graduated at Oxford and Trinity College Dublin. He married firstly on 30 November 1808 at Carisbrook Church, Isle of Wight, Maria Sophia LASCELLS youngest daughter of the late Michael LASCELLS of Marsh Gate near Richmond Surrey. The birth of a daughter at his lodgings in Patrick Street on 5 February 1811 was reported in the Limerick General Advertiser. *Edward* was rector and vicar of Dromin and Athlacca 1811–23 and of Croom 1824–62. He died at Croom aged 73 on 6 January 1863. His first wife died on 18 November 1812 at Mallow<sup>390</sup>. He married secondly on 23 September 1817 at Askeaton church Mary COPLEY daughter of Anthony COPLEY Esq of Ballyclough, County Limerick. He was appointed a JP for county Limerick in 1813<sup>391</sup>. His second wife Mary died on 8 June 1848 at Croom<sup>392</sup>. His children include:
  - *Margaret* who was likely to have been born in September 1812<sup>393</sup> and married on 22 November 1834 Samuel Robert HARDING only son of Robert HARDING of Bruree<sup>394</sup>.

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<sup>387</sup> The Hull Packet (Hull, England) — 20 July 1838 – On the 13th inst., at Foston Hall, the lady of Col. CROKER, of a son.

<sup>388</sup> *The Times* — 4 August 1858 – On the 28th of July, at Kingstown near Dublin, Arthur Charles CROKER Esq late of H M's 77th regiment third surviving son of the late Richard Hare CROKER Esq Col 18th Hussars of Leamington, Warwickshire, to Anastasia Margaret Elizabeth only child of Henry DOWDALL Esq barrister-at-law of Dublin, and cousin to the late Richard DOWDALL Esq of Ballymahon co Longford, formerly Capt 12 Royal Lancers

Freeman's Journal — 29 July 1858 – July 28, at Kingstown, Arthur Charles CROKER Esq late HM 77th Regt, youngest son of the late Richard Hare CROKER, Lt-Col 18th Hussars, to Asistasia, only child of Henry DOWDALL, of Dominick street, solicitor and granddaughter of Henry DOWDALL Esq late of Ballymahon, co Longford

<sup>389</sup> Gordon-Gorman, William James, *Converts to Rome : a list of about four thousand Protestants who have recently become Roman Catholics* (1885), W. Swan Sonnenschein, London

<sup>390</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* 20 November 1812 — Wednesday, in Mallow where she went to drink the water, aged 22 Mrs CROKER wife of Rev Edward CROKER — a lady very much lamented

<sup>391</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 12 March 1813 – The Rev Edward CROKER, rector of Dromin and Athlcca, has been appointed by the Lord Chancellor, a Justice of the Peace and Quorum for the county Limerick

<sup>392</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 15 June 1848 – On the 8th inst, at Croom rectory, Mrs CROKER wife of the Rev Edward CROKER

<sup>393</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 8 September 1812 – Wednesday last, at Shannon-street, the lady of the Rev Edward CROKER, of a daughter

<sup>394</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 26 November 1834 – On Saturday, at Croom, by the Rev Thomas CROKER, Samuel R HARDING of Bruree, Esq to Margaret, eldest daughter of the Rev Edward CROKER, Rector of Croom

Registry of Deeds, Marriage settlement, Book 1839 Vol 4 Folio 68 dated 22 November 1834.



- *Edward*, the eldest son, was born at Athlacca circa 15 September 1818. He was cadet at Royal Military College but was withdrawn as his grades were not high enough. Nevertheless, he obtained a commission by purchase as an ensign in the 39th regiment of foot. A report of his time at Royal Military College indicated he was slow in his studies but well behaved. His referees for his appointment as ensign included his uncle *Richard Hare*. He eventually became a major in the army. *Edward* was of Dromkeen in Walfords County Families. He was the co-respondent in a divorce reported in *The Times* in 1856. He had a number of children with the other party in the divorce case Marion (Maryanne) Wentworth LING nee LITTLER<sup>395</sup> daughter of Sir John Hunter LITTLER<sup>396</sup> and Helen Olympia STEWART. He went to New Zealand arriving at Otago in November 1858<sup>397</sup>. He was there for a time but died in London on 26 July 1894<sup>398</sup>. He was appointed Resident Magistrate in January 1862<sup>399</sup>. *The Wanganui Herald* of 20 July 1867 mentions Mr and Mrs CROKER STEWART arriving from Nelson. In New Zealand he was a magistrate and performed the duties of coroner<sup>400</sup>. He was dismissed effective 30 November 1867 after some disputes between the general and local governments<sup>401</sup>. Just before Edward's Death Mararion (Mary) is mentioned in the press as getting money from the Duke of Westminster<sup>402</sup>.

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<sup>395</sup> John Theodore LING married Marion LITTLER on 30 July 1849. He was a lieutenant when divorced and captain when he died. Freeman's Journal —13 April 1860 – February 28, on board the steamer Nubia, from Calcutta, Captain John Theodore LING, of the 2<sup>d</sup> Dragoons Guards

<sup>396</sup> Sir John Hunter LITTLER (1783–1856) Lt-Gen, G C B Colonel 36<sup>th</sup> N I. b Tarvin, co Chester, 6 Jan 1783. Cadet 1799. Admitted 23 Oct 1800. Ens 19 Aug 1800. Lt 29 Nov 1800. Capt 16 Dec 1814. Maj 22 Sep 1824. Lt-Col 23 May 1828. Col 22 Jan 1834. Maj-Gen 3 Nov 1841. Lt-Gen 11 Nov 1851. d at his seat, Bigadon, Buckfastleigh, Devon, 18 Feb 1856. Bapt Tarvin 26 Jan 1783. Eldest son of Thomas LITTLER and Diana his wife, daughter of John HUNTER, Director E I Co m 1<sup>st</sup> (before 1808) ?? m 2n, Benares 25 June 1827, Helen Olympia, only daughter of Capt Henry STEWART by Louisa COLEBROOKE daughter of Capt George COLEBROOKE. Capt Henry STEWART was son of John STEWART, claimant to the Earldom of Orkney. (She remarried 1858, Thomas Alston COCKAYNE and died 12 Jan 1885). Services: ... Furlough pa 11 Dec 1852 till death; K C B 2 May 1844; G C B 31 Jan 1848. His entry in Burke's Landed Gentry 2<sup>nd</sup> edition mentions only his daughters:

<sup>397</sup> *Lyttelton Times* – 10 November 1858 – OTAGO. *The Begina*, Thornton, from London July 18, for Otago and Canterbury, anchored outside the Heads on Thursday afternoon. She has the following passengers for Cahterbury:—Mrs. I. T. Cookson, Miss. A. N. Scott, Major E. Croker, wife and child; Wm. Rolleston, G. Harper, C. Newton and wife. Frederick Beart, Robt. Laurie, wife and 4 children, and about 20 immediate passengers. No casualties have occurred on voyage.

<sup>398</sup> Limerick Chronicle – 30 June 1894

<sup>399</sup> *New Zealander* – 18 January 1862 – Attorney- General's Office, Auckland, 13th January, 1862. HIS Excellency the Governor has been l. 1 pleased to appoint Edward Croker, Esq., J.P., of Otago, to be a Resident Magistrate. Henry Sewell.

<sup>400</sup> <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~sooty/otagoinquists1868.html> — An inquest was held on the 4th July 1868, at the store of Mr John ANDERSON, Taupeka Mouth, by Edward CROKER, Esq., R M & Coroner, on the body of John MCCUDDEN, a miner, aged about 30, who died there on July 1st from inflammation of the lungs, caused by exposure to wet and cold. Verdict accordingly.

<sup>401</sup> *Otago Daily Times* 30 October 1867

<sup>402</sup> *The Colonist* (NZ) –13 Jul 1894 – **A Military Blackmailer**. An extraordinary case was heard recently at one of the London County Courts in which Mary Croker-Stewart, the wife of Major Croker-Stewart, sued a man named Coathnpe, who described himself as a retired Army captain, for the sum of £16 2s, the balance of £20 received by him on behalf of Mrs Croker-Stewart from the Duke of Westminster. It appears from a report of the case that Capiaia Coathorp wrote to the Duke of

Prior to his death he assumed the additional surname STEWART. There is an obituary<sup>403</sup> in the *Cork Constitution* on 30 June 1894. The children appear to be:

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Westminster appealing for pecuniary assistance for Mrs Croker-Stewart, who had become much reduced in circumstances, and the failure of whose eyesight had incapacitated her from further earning her livelihood by working at translation Captain Coathorpe's letter to the Duke described the plaintiff very truly as the daughter of Lieutenant-General Sir John Littler, G.O.C., a former Governor of Bombay. In response to the appeal the Duke of Westminster sent a cheque for £20, which defendant acknowledged. It was pointed out that Captain Coathorpe was not authorised by plaintiff to appeal to the Duke, and therefore when he gave her £3 18s (stating that it was from the Duke of Westminster she was surprised, and the peculiar amount of the donation probably arousing her suspicion she made enquiries with the result that she found the actual amount sent for her assistance was £20. Captain Coathorpe, in defence, contended that he was not responsible to the plaintiff for the balance of the cheque but to the Duke of Westminster. The Judge, however, would not listen to this argument. It was, he said, rarely that such a disgraceful case came before him. He was sorry to hear that the defendant was a Captain of the British Army, and as the defence had entirely failed, he gave judgment for plaintiff with costs, at the same time dismissing the counter claim.

<sup>403</sup> OBITUARY OF A FINE OLD SOLDIER. A very old and distinguished Anglo-Indian veteran passed away last Monday in the person of Major Edward Croker Stewart, formerly the 39th and 96th Regiments, who died at Teddington, and who, in the of a little knot of relatives and general officers with whom had served, was buried on Thursday at Nunhead Cemetery. Major Croker-Stewart, who was the son the Rev Edward Croker, rector of Croom, county Limerick, served for many years in India during a most momentous period the history of our great Eastern Empire. One of the last survivors of the memorable campaign of Sir Hugh Gough in Scindia's dominions, he as Assistant Quartermaster-General on the staff of his father-in-law, Major-General Litter, was present at the stubbornly contested action of Maharajpore. For the remarkable dash and intrepidity he exhibited that occasion when he headed a rush upon a battery the enemies' cannon (which it is curious to note were regarded as positive objects of worship the Marhatta artillerymen), he was thanked the commander-in-chief. At the battle of Maharajpore Major Croker-Stewart's regiment (a corps then almost exclusively composed of Irishmen) charged and took at the bayonet point number of the Marhatta heavy guns, in accomplishing which they lost, besides more than fourth of their number, their first and second commanding officers, the former of whom was blown pieces the explosion of one the enemies' ammunition tumbrils. In Sir Hugh Gough's despatch to the Governor-General of India, Lord Ellenborough, (who accompanied by Lady Gough and number of ladies were actually on the very field of battle) he wrote "on this occasion the 39th (Primus in Indus) Regiment has had the peculiar fortune adding to the honour of having won at Plassey, the first great battle which laid the foundations of the British Empire in India, the further distinction of nobly contributing to one the crowning victories which that empire has been secured. Prior to General Sir Hugh Gough's invasion of Scindia's dominions, Major Croker Stewart was under fire as far back 1839, when as a stripling of 19, being then a lieutenant of the 39th, was under fire at the general action of Zorapore, near Kurnool. At the conclusion of the first great Sikh war, throughout which he served on the staff of General Sir John Little, G.C.B., married his chief's eldest daughter, a grand-daughter of Captain Henry Stewart, some time claimant of the Earldom of Orkney. It is interesting to note that among soldiers present at this fine old soldier's funeral was Captain C Darnley Stewart-Stevens, whose grand-uncle, Surgeon Major Stephens, of her Majesty's 62nd regiment, was medical officer of the Commander-in-chiefs personal staff on the day that saw Maharajpore, a thousand British soldiers dead and wounded on the field, and who, to quote the conqueror of the Punjab, Sir Hugh Gough, "exhibited the most heroic devotion in his endeavours to alleviate the sufferings of our numerous wounded, under a heavy and well served fire from the enemy's artillery." But these were not the days of Victoria Crosses and distinguished service orders.

*Homeward Mail from India, China and the East* – Monday 02 July 1894

Croker-Stewart— June 25, Major E. Croker-Stewart, formerly 39th and 96th Regts., and for some years R.M. and Gold Fields Commissioner Tuapeka, New Zealand, one of the few survivors of the victory of Maharajpore, December 1843, aged 76.

- Twin daughters born on 1 August 1863<sup>404</sup> One of whom, Alley Maud, married James HAULTAIN on 9 February 1884.
- The other twin was Hortense Louise Colebrooke CROKER STEWART who married Francis HIGGINS on 19 March 1884<sup>405</sup> at Saint John, Clapham, London. Their children include:
  - ⊕ Francis Joseph Edward Stewart HIGGINS who was born on 20 January 1885; and
  - ⊕ Margarette HIGGINS who was born circa 1887.
- *Jania(Joan) Evangelina* CROKER(-STEWART) who was born 25 January 1867. She married Walter Ballintyne REID at Wandsworth on 5 February 1883. Walter was the son of Walter REID and Elizabeth BALLINTYNE from Wilton, Roxburgh, Scotland. Walter Ballintyne REID started a retail, wholesale and shipping business in Rockhampton, Queensland. He died in an insane asylum in Sydney on 12 January 1911. *Jania* died on 25 February 1937. Their children appear to be:
  - ⊕ Kathleen Mary Evangelina REID who was born on 9 April 1884. She married Edward Douglas MAXWELL son of Alexander and Helena MAXWELL in 1909. He died 20 February 1912. When she died on 17 June 1965, she left £100,000 to assist students at Sydney University as a memorial to her brother.
  - ⊕ Annie Evangelina REID who was born on 16 November 1892 and died on 3 August 1902.
  - ⊕ Walter Edward (Croker) Stewart REID, BA Sydney University. He was Honorary Secretary of NSW bar Association from 1941 to 1947. He was an associate to Hon Mr Justice CAMPBELL, Hon Mr Justice MAXWELL and Hon Mr Justice STEPHEN earlier in his career. If he married there appears to have been no issue and no wife living at the time of his death. In the latter part of his life he appears to have lived with his sister at Potts Point.
- Charles Edward Stuart Camerin Fraser Colebrooke CROKER STEWART who was born on 26 July 1869. He married firstly on 23 May 1891, Alice Hariott OSLER a widow. Later he married on 16 December 1905 at Marseilles, France, Mary EDENSOR formerly VON GLENN nee LLOYD-JONES a daughter of Richard LLOYD-JONES.
- John Lois who was born circa 1865.

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<sup>404</sup> Otago Daily Times – 12 August 1863 – On the 1st August,, at Lawrence, the wife of Major Croker, of twin daughters.

<sup>405</sup> *Times of India* – 16 April 1884 — HIGGINS - CROKER-STEWART St. John's Church Clapham, by the Rev Dr STANTIAL, DCL, Francis HIGGINS, of Newman Street W, and Southend-on-sea to Hortense Louise Colebrooke, third daughter of Major CROKER-STEWART, of Gasten Road, Clapham, late HM's Service (Retired) and grand-daughter of the late Sir John LITTLER, GCB, formerly Deputy Govr of Bengal.

- Sybil Blanch Colebrook CROKER-STEWART who married on 4 September 1884 Robert FISCHER, of Lincoln's Inn, barrister-at law<sup>406</sup>.
- Bertie Freeman CROKER STEWART who was born circa 1877. He was convicted on 12 March 1903 of stealing a cashbox containing about £30 from the Motueka Hotel and was sentenced to six months with hard labour.
- Francis CROKER-STEWART who was born 4 January 1884 in Southampton. He served in the New Zealand Army during the first world war as a driver and apparently committed suicide in July 1922 at Wairoa.
- *John Lacy* who was also a cadet at the Royal Military College aged 13 years and two months at his admission on 9 July 1833 but with a better record in his studies. He was given a commission in the 17th regiment<sup>407</sup> of foot becoming a Captain. He was killed at the Siege of Sebastopol.
- *Henry Walter* third son who died at Croom on 13 February 1843 aged nine;
- *Mary Jane* who died on 2 November 1856<sup>408</sup>;
- *Elizabeth* who married Mathias Joseph FRINGS Esq of Cologne in January 1839<sup>409</sup> and who died at Croom Rectory, aged 20 in 1841<sup>410</sup>. He was a language teacher in Germany, Dublin and Belfast. In 1849 he obtained the position of Director of the Modern Language Department at Queens College, Belfast. He held that position until 1862 when he resigned.
- S Croker FRINGS who was in the Waikato Regiment<sup>411</sup>
- Rosalie Frances FRINGS who married Richard Massey STUDDERT 22 June 1861<sup>412</sup> and had issue:

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<sup>406</sup> *London Evening Standard* – 9 September 1884 — Sept, 4<sup>th</sup>, at St John the Evangelist's, Clapham, Robert FISCHER, of Lincoln's Inn, barrister-at-law, to Sybil Blanch Colebrook, youngest daughter of Major E CROKER-STEWART and Grand-daughter of the late General Sir John Hunter LITTLER GCB.

<sup>407</sup> *Freman's Journal* — 20 March 1837 – 17th Foot—L C CONRAN, Gent, to be Ensign, by purchase, vice TUTHILL, appointed to the 2d Dragoon Guards; Cadet J L CROKER from the Royal Military College, to be Ensign, without purchase, vice CONRAN, appointed to the 56th Foot.

<sup>408</sup> *Freman's Journal* — 6 November 1856 – November 2, at Croom vicarage, county Limerick, Mary Jane daughter of the Rev Edward CROKER

<sup>409</sup> *Limerick Standard* — 29 January 1839 – At St Anne's London, Joseph FRINGS Esq of Cologne-sur-Rhin, to Elizabeth second daughter of the Rev Edward CROKER, Rector of Croom.

<sup>410</sup> *Limerick Standard* — 25 November 1841 – At Croom Rectory, in this county, at the age of 20 years Mrs FRINGS daughter of the Rev Edward CROKER

<sup>411</sup> *Daily Southern Cross* (Auckland) – 29 November 1864 – WANTED, for the 3rd Waikato Regiment, immediately, Two SUBSTITUTES. Fourteen months' service expired. A Bonus of £4 each. — Apply immediately to S Croker Frings, No. 6 Company, 3rd Waikato Regiment, Camp, Cambridge,

<sup>412</sup> *Limerick Reporter and Tipperary Vindicator* — 25 June 1861 – At Croom Church, by the Rev H HAILY, assisted by the Rev Edward O'GRADY, uncles to the bride; R M STUDDERT, Esq, eldest son of Richard STUDDERT, Esq. JP, Fort House, county Clare, to Rosalie Frances FRINGS, granddaughter of the Rev Edward CREHAN (*recte* CROKER), Rector, county Limerick

- ⊕ Richard Croker STUDDERT who was born on 31 March 1862 and died unmarried.
- ⊕ Massy STUDDERT who was born in April 1863 and died unmarried.
- ⊕ Robert STUDDERT who was born December 1864 and died unmarried.
- ⊕ Francis STUDDERT who was born 22 December 1865 and died without surviving children. He married Susan KINGHAM (born c.1869) on 19 April 1894.
- ⊕ Ason STUDDERT who was born 7 Mar 1867.
- ⊕ Edward STUDDERT who was born on 17 August 1869 and died on 4 March 1905. He was a Major in the army. He married circa 1895 Mary PEARSON, dau of Col Hyde PEARSON.
- ⊕ Charles STUDDERT who was born on May 1871 and died unmarried 4 December 1900. He was a Sub-Lt, RN Reserve.
- ⊕ Mary Anne Constance STUDDERT born near Kilrush, county Clare on 5 March 1874. Died 16 November 1917. She married 1898 F M DAVID<sup>413</sup>.
- *Alley Emily* who married the Rev Edward George O'GRADY of Benlevy, county Galway, Rector of Ross and third son of Darby O'GRADY at Croom on 27 December 1851<sup>414</sup>. He aged 63, his wife aged 52 and daughter Mary aged 22 were lodging in Percy Street, Liverpool in the 1881 census. He died on 3 June 1886<sup>415</sup> at Bournemouth. Alley was living with her brother in law Henry Robert BAYLEY at Bath.
  - Mary Jane O'GRADY born circa 1859. She married on 12 January 1884 Henry Beal COLLINS at St Peter's, Bournemouth.
    - ⊕ John Singleton Copley COLLINS who Elizabeth Ruth GODDARD
    - ⊕ Walter COLLINS
- *Adelaide Louisa* who married on 4 January 1858<sup>416</sup> the Rev Henry Robert BAYLEY curate of Croom and later vicar of Ballingarry, son of Emanuel BAYLY, barrister of Bath and brother of Emanuel James BAYLEY of Kilgobbin,

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<sup>413</sup> Robert Hallam Studdert; *The Studdert Family*. Three Candles Press, Fleet St, Dublin 1960

<sup>414</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 1 January 1852 – December 27, at Croom, county Limerick, The Rev Edward G O'GRADY, rector of Ross, co Galway, third son of D O'GRADY Esq of Aghamarta, county Cork, to Alley Emily, daughter of the Rev Edward CROKER, rector of Croom

Marriage settlement Registry of Deeds 1853 Volume 18 Folio 9 – Trustees Henry CROKER of Drumkeen and Standish Darby O'GRADY of Aghamat Castle, county Cork.

<sup>415</sup> Christchurch Times – 12 June 1886 — O'GRADY – On the 3<sup>rd</sup> June, at Bournemouth, the Rev Edward George O'GRADY, late Vicar of Mungret diocese of Limerick, third son of Darby O'GRADY, Esq, DL, Aghamarta Castle, County Cork.

<sup>416</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 7 January 1858 – January 4, at Croom, county Limerick, the Rev Henry Robert BAYLEY, son of the late Emanuel BAYLEY, Esq barrister-at-law, of Bath to Adelaide Louisa, youngest daughter of the Rev Edward CROKER, rector of Croom

County Dublin<sup>417</sup>. In the 1891 census he was aged 71 and his wife 60. She died on 26 December 1904 aged 72.

- *William* who was born in March 1788 and was granted the freedom of Limerick on 6 October 1818. He joined the 17th Regiment as Ensign on 27 March 1803 and was Lt-Col of that regiment when he sold out having being promoted to Lieutenant on 2 June 1804, Captain on 20 November 1806, Major 12 August 1819, Lieutenant-Colonel on 1 April 1836. He was appointed Deputy Adjutant General at Calcutta in 1818<sup>418</sup>. He was made Companion of the Bath on 20 December 1839 and promoted Colonel in the Army on 9 November 1846. The *Limerick General Advertiser* of 29 August 1815 stated that he was mentioned in dispatches<sup>419</sup>. He married at St John's Calcutta on 14 July 1819, Elizabeth STOKES of Madras<sup>420</sup>. He died on 11 August 1852<sup>421</sup>. Mrs *Elizabeth* of 12 Selkirk Parade, Chenttenham appears in Slater's Commercial Directory, 1858-59. Elizabeth was recorded aged 84 years at 12 Selkirk Parade, Cheltenham, in the 1881 census. They had the following issue:
  - *Edward* who was born 25 April 1820 at Calcutta<sup>422</sup> and became a Captain of 17th Regiment from where he retired 24 November 1855 by sale of his commission. He served in Afghanistan, Crimea, Gibraltar and India. He married, on 14 November 1850, Catherine KEILY, youngest daughter of W H KEILY<sup>423</sup>, Esq, at St Mary's Cheltenham on 14 November 1850. Catherine was aged 24 years 10 months at the time of their marriage. In the 1881 census her birthplace is given as Ireland. He died on 18 January 1892. Their children include:
    - *Catherine Elizabeth* born circa 1859 and married on 14 April 1891 Richard Clayton CAREW second son of Robert Thomas CAREW late of Ballindud

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<sup>417</sup> Registry of Deeds – 1858 Volume 2 Folio 300.

<sup>418</sup> Limerick General Advertiser — 19 February 1819 – Captain CROKER, of the 17th regiment, is appointed Deputy Adjutant General at Calcutta—He is son of Colonel CROKER of Ballyneguard, in this county

<sup>419</sup> In the despatches of Gen WOOD, detailing the operations of the Indian campaign we perceive the name of Captain CROKER, very honourably mentioned, for his cool and determined bravery. He is son to Edward CROKER of Ballynegard, Esq. and brother to Major CROKER, of the 18<sup>th</sup> hussars

<sup>420</sup> The Asiatic Journal — 1 February 1820 – Aug. ... 14. Capt W. CROKER H. M's 17th foot, to Miss E. STOKES.

<sup>421</sup> Memorial inscription St. Philip and St. James Church, Leckhampton, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire 11 August 1852.

<sup>422</sup> Regimental Births Indexes — Volume 1005 p 13 and National Archives Kew WO 76 / 73 f5

*The Asiatic Journal* — 1 October 1821 – March 3, At the Presidency, the Lady of Maj. CROKER, of a son.

<sup>423</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 22 November 1850 – November 14, at Cheltenham, Edward CROKER, Esq, Captain in the 17th regiment, eldest son of Colonel W CROKER, late 17th regiment, eldest son of Colonel W CROKER, to Catherine, youngest daughter of W H KEILY, Esq, of Glanaboy, co Waterford

See also: Fox-Davies *Amorial Families* has *Edward* marrying a daughter of William Henry KEILY of Glanaboy. The KEILY family bought Glanaboy from John CROKER of Glanaboy circa 1750. (See section 13.6) Note also *Limerick Standard* of 21 May 1840 — At Lockhampton church, near Chenttenham, Forrester WILSON Esq of Devonshire Place London, to Elizabeth eldest daughter of W H KEILLY Esq of Glanaboy, co Waterford and Lansdowne Crescent, Cheltenham

County Waterford. He was in the Royal Navy and promoted to lieutenant in 1885. He was placed on the retired list of the Navy and obtained a commission as captain in the 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion Royal Irish Regiment<sup>424</sup>. She died on 23 April 1912 at Ballindud. He married secondly on 10 June 1913 in London Mary (nee JERVOIS) HENSLEY the widow of C O HENSLEY and daughter of Maj-Gen John Gordon JERVOIS, of the Royal Engineers. He died on 21 April 1937 aged 75.

⊕ Reginald CAREW born circa 1892

⊕ Catherine Henrietta Rosalie CAREW born on 31 December 1894

- *Emilia* born circa 1861 and died unmarried on 3 December 1931.
- *Edward William* born circa 1863 and died on 17 July 1922 at Cheltenham.
- Sir *Henry Leycester* who was born on 17 October 1864 and became a general in the army. He died on 20 August 1938<sup>425</sup>. He married Mabel Elizabeth TEDLIE only child of Major Edward TEDLIE in June quarter 1897. She died on 7 May 1955 aged 84 years.

⊕ Phyllis Marian Croker (b. 1899)

⊕ Sheila Elizabeth Croker (1904–1995)

- *Jane Isabella* born circa 1868 and died unmarried on 13 April 1938.

- *John Rees* born 3 March 1821 and baptised at Fort William 13 December 1821. He was also in the Army joining the 6th Regiment of Foot as an Ensign on 25 December 1838 by purchase and promoted to Lieutenant in the 86th Regiment in 1842 and to Captain there 15 March 1853. He saw active service in Aden in 1841<sup>426</sup>. He married Susan Eleanor CURTEIS on 1 August 1850<sup>427</sup> at St Luke's Chelsea, by a Faculty Office marriage licence dated a day earlier, when the witnesses were Edward and Eleanor CURTEIS possibly her siblings. Her parents

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<sup>424</sup> *Irish Times* – 6 September 1887 – Mr Richard Clayton CAREW, of Hillfield near Waterford, Lieutenant on the retired list Royal Navy, has been gazetted to a Captaincy in the 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion Royal Irish Regiment.

<sup>425</sup> Memorial inscription – St Martin's Cathedral, St George's Chapel, Leicester: Henry Leycester Croker | In loving memory of | Major General | Sir Henry Leycester Croker | KGB CMG | Commanded 2nd Battalion of the | Leicestershire Regiment From 11 November 1910 to 18 March 1915 | Commanded 81st Inf B[rida]de in France From 21st March 1915 to 20th May 1916 | And the 28th Division in Macedonia From the 21st May 1916 to 18 November 1920 | Died 20th August 1938. | Born on October 17, 1864, Henry Croker joined the Army in 1886. He served in the Boer War where he was mentioned three times in dispatches and given a brevet majority. In the Great War he was wounded and mentioned four times in dispatches. Holder of the Queen's Medal, with two clasps, he retired in 1923. He was awarded the K.C.B. two years later. Sir Henry died in London, aged 73. See:

[http://uk.geocities.com/st\\_martins\\_leicester/george1.htm](http://uk.geocities.com/st_martins_leicester/george1.htm)

<sup>426</sup> British Army, Worldwide Index 1841 WO 12/2410 John Rees CROKER – Ensign 6<sup>th</sup> Foot on detachment at Aden ([www.findmypast.co.uk](http://www.findmypast.co.uk) visited 28 July 2023)

<sup>427</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 6 August 1850 – August 1, Lieutenant J R CROKER of the 86th regiment to Susan Eleanor, eldest daughter of the late Rev Edward CURTEIS of Rettendon, Essex See also Faculty Office marriage licence allegations index 1701-1850 Licence date 31 July 1850 – [sogdata.org.uk](http://sogdata.org.uk) accessed 29 December 2022

were the Rev Edward CURTIS and Susan Maria SYER. The sale of his commission is reported in the 1856 Army List under the name CREKER(sic). He died at Upton on 12 July 1883<sup>428</sup>. Their children include:

- *John Arthur* born 1 August 1851 at Poona, India
- *Lucy Emma* who was born in Poona circa 1855 and married John Markland AIRD.
- *Mary Emily* who was born circa in London circa 1856.
- *Edward Molesworth* whose birth was registered in Islington in March Quarter 1858. He moved to Ontario, Canada
- *Harry Bell* who was born in London, England on 8 July 1859 and married Lucy Harriet CUTLER. Perhaps he was named after his uncle. He died on 20 May 1957 in Vancouver, British Columbia, and she died on 15 March 1955 aged 89.
- *William David* born in London circa 1863
- *Alice Eleanor* born London and moved to New South Wales, Australia
- *Harriet Eliza Isabella* born 2 October 1822 and baptised at Fort William on 13 May 1823. She appears to have married Henry Wainwright Bax BELL on 18 February 1845 at Aden, Bombay Presidency. He was aged 23 at the time of their marriage. He died in Kensington, London in September quarter 1888. She died on 4 January 1900 in London and was buried in Brompton Cemetery.
- *William* born 20 July 1825 at Limerick<sup>429</sup> and died at Dublin on 21 November 1887 when probate was granted to his widow *Jane Margaret*. He was baptised at Croom, County Limerick. He was a major in the 27th Enniskillings. He married his cousin *Jane Margaret* daughter of Captain *Charles* RN on 28 August 1873 at Donneraile. He lived at Trough, county Clare, and died at Baggott Street, Dublin<sup>430</sup>. She died 11 October 1925 and is buried with her husband in St Mary's Limerick. They had issue:
  - *Martha Aileen* who was born on 18 March 1877 and lived only one day.
  - *William Charles Robert* born 8 June 1882. He was a cadet in Berkshire in the 1901 census. He was 2nd Lieutenant First Battalion Royal Munster Fusiliers and was killed in action near Boshoff, South Africa 23 February 1902.
  - *Constance* who married at St Jude's, South Kensington, on 14 November 1906, Lt Kenneth Charles WELDON, Royal Dublin Fusiliers younger son of Reverend Lewin R WELDON DD Vicar of Holy Trinity, Weymouth,

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<sup>428</sup>*The Times* — 17 July 1883 – On the 12th inst, suddenly at Malvern Link, Worcestershire, aged 62, John Rees CROKER MRCS &c and formerly Captain in HM 66th Royal Regt, second son of the late Colonel William CROKER of HM's 17th foot

<sup>429</sup>Regimental Births Indexes — Volume 1005 p 13

<sup>430</sup>Very Rev M J Talbot, *The monuments of St Mary's Cathedral Limerick*, Treaty Press Ltd, Limerick (1976).



Dorset and Canon of Salisbury. A photograph album belonging to Constance is now in the Cork Archives.

⊕ C E who donated the papers of her grandfather to the British Library 29 April 1983. (BL reference Mss Eur E421.)

- *Emma* who was born on 9 September 1832 and baptised 5 December 1835 at St Philip, Sydney, NSW. She was unmarried living with her mother in Chenttenham and aged 48 at the time of the 1881 census. Her birthplace was given as Bathurst, Wales.
- *Emily* who was born on 9 October 1835, Sydney, NSW<sup>431</sup> and baptised on 5 December 1835, at St Phillip, Sydney, NSW.
- *John* of Ballynagarde who was born 4 October 1784 and married<sup>432</sup> 14 September 1807 Catherine Adeline BAGWELL his cousin and youngest daughter of Col John BAGWELL MP of Marlfield, County Tipperary and Mary HARE<sup>433</sup> eldest daughter of Richard HARE of Ennismore, County Kerry. He was elected mayor of Clonmel, county Tipperary, for the year from June 1810<sup>434</sup>. He was appointed a JP for Limerick and Tipperary in 1813<sup>435</sup>. *John* was living at Belview near Youghal during 1812–14 and appears in the 1814 Directory of Ireland. She died on 17 December 1856<sup>436</sup> and he on 3 March 1858<sup>437</sup>. They were buried in the CROKER vault at Cahircorney Churchyard<sup>438</sup>. They had issue:
  - *Mary Anne Margaret* baptised at Innislonagh 16 September 1808. She was living unmarried with her sister *Janet* at the time of the 1861 census.

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<sup>431</sup> *The Sydney Herald* 12 October 1835 – Birth. At his Quarters, in Sydney Barracks, on the 9th instant, the Lady of Major Croker, 17th Regiment, of a daughter.

<sup>432</sup> Green Mss Certified copy of register of Innislonagh: *Limerick General Advertiser* — 22 September 1807 – John CROKER Esq of Ballyneguard in this county to the beautiful Miss BAGWELL fourth daughter of John BAGWELL Esq of Marlfield, county Tipperary.

<sup>433</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 14 February 1812 – In London, Mrs BAGWELL lady of John BAGWELL of Marlfield county Tipperary Esq and sister to Lord Ennismore

Registry of Deeds Book 602 page 219 Memorial 411136.

<sup>434</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 29 June 1810 – On Sunday last the 24th, after Devine Service, at a meeting of a Council of the Corporation of Clonmel, John CROKER, Esq of Ballineguard, in this county was elected mayor of that town for the ensuing year, and the Rev Richard CAREY, and John HOWELL Esq Bailiffs.

<sup>435</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 12 March 1813 – The Lord High Chancellor has been pleased to appoint John CROKER, Esq, of Ballyneguard, to be a Justice of the Peace and Quorum for the counties Limerick and Tipperary

<sup>436</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 24 December 1856 – December 17, Mrs CROKER, wife of John CROKER Esq of Ballyneguard, county Limerick, and sister to the late Colonel BAGWELL, of Marlfield, county Tipperary

<sup>437</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 5 March 1858 – March 3, at his seat Ballynagarde, county Limerick, after a protracted illness, aged 75 years, John CROKER Esq

<sup>438</sup> See *Journal for the Preservation of Memorials of the Dead* Vol V No 1 Pt 1 pp88–90.

- *Margaret Anne* who was baptised at Innislonagh 30 November 1810<sup>439</sup>.
- *Catherine Adeline Bagwell* who died unmarried in 1831<sup>440</sup>.
- *Edward* of Ballynagarde who was born 31 August 1812<sup>441</sup> and married on 17 May 1841 at Powerscourt church, Lady Georgina MONCK sixth daughter Henry Stanley MONCK, Earl of Rathdowne<sup>442</sup>. He was a Captain in 17th Lancers. Edward died on 23 March 1869 and his wife died on 20 March 1887. Both were buried in Rochestown Churchyard<sup>443</sup> as were at least three of their sons. Their children were:
  - *John* who was born on 16 March 1842<sup>444</sup> and married Harriett DONALDSON of Dublin in October 1864. He was a captain Limerick City Militia<sup>445</sup>. He was sued for breach of promise in 1865 by Hannah SMITH a cook<sup>446</sup>. He died on 19 February 1867 leaving issue:
    - ⊕ *John Monck* born 8 October 1866 in Limerick. His mother on his behalf sued his grandfather's estate and 94 others in 1869. The court reports indicate that his father was an alcoholic and the estate was heavily encumbered<sup>447</sup>. He died unmarried on 6 Oct 1889, succeeded by his uncle *Henry Stanley Monck*<sup>448</sup>.
  - *Henry Stanley Monck* who was born on 26 March 1846 and died 22 June 1897 when he was succeeded by his brother *Frederick Edward Albert*. He was of Landscape, county Clare and Balllynagarde.
  - *Frederick Edward Albert* who was born on 4 May 1847 and died on 14 August 1900. He married Emily Adelaide CLUNE daughter of William CLUNE in 1878. In the 1881 census he and his wife have a boarding house

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<sup>439</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 11 December 1810 – At Marfield, co Tipperary, the lady of J CROKER Esq of Ballynegard, in this co, of a daughter

<sup>440</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 15 April 1831– At West Park, the seat of Eyre COOTE Esq MP, [her uncle – married her mother's sister Jane BAGWELL] Adeline daughter of John CROKER Esq of Ballynegard, High Sheriff of the county Limerick.

<sup>441</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 18 September 1812 – At Bellevue, near Youghal, the lady of John CROKER of Ballynegard in this county of a son and heir

See also *Guardian* 29 April 1869 ... Edward CROKER ... obtained his majority of 1 September 1833 ...

<sup>442</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 19 May 1841

<sup>443</sup> See *Journal for the Preservation of Memorials of the Dead* Vol V No 1 Pt 1 pp88–90.

<sup>444</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 19 March 1842 – On the 16th inst, at Charleville, county Wicklow, the seat of her father the Earl of Rathdowne, Lady Georgina CROKER, wife of Capt CROKER, late of the 17th Lancers of a son.

<sup>445</sup> *Cork Examiner* – 4 March 1867 – City Militia Artillery.— By the death of Capt John CROKER, of Ballynagarde, a captaincy has become vacant in this corps.

<sup>446</sup> *Carlow Morning Post* – 18 March 1865 – Breach of Promise Case Hannah SMITH v. Captain John CROKER. ...

<sup>447</sup> *Guardian* — 29 April 1869

<sup>448</sup> BIFR 1976

at 1 and 3 Harrington Road, London. She was at Newpark, Dublin, aged 68, at the 1911 census when her birth place is given as county Antrim. She died on 11 June 1938 in her 93rd year. He died 14 August 1900<sup>449</sup> when his will was proved by his widow<sup>450</sup>. He had no issue and was succeeded by his brother *Courtenay le Poer Trench*.

- *Courtney le Poer Trench* who was born on 27 February 1853 in Dublin and married in 1882, May HARE daughter of the late Ven Charles HARE, Archdeacon of Limerick. In the 1901 Census, Courtney and his wife Mary were at Blackwater in county Clare where he was described as government auditor.
- *Edward William Dunlo* who was born on 14 September 1849. He was adjutant of the Sutherland Highlanders (later the Argyle & Sutherland Highlanders) when he married Florence Henrietta GORE<sup>451</sup> daughter of Major Charles GORE of Fairy Hill, county Clare on 5 January 1875. He was a sub-sheriff for county Clare in 1893 living in Bindon Street, Ennis. He died at Chicago from a fall from his horse on 10 May 1893. His widow married in 1904 H E CHATTERTON sometime Vice Chancellor of Ireland, of Black Rock, County Dublin.
- ⊕ *Joan* (1882–1954<sup>452</sup>) married in December 1905 Lieutenant-Colonel John Graham DOONER DSO, Croix de Guerre of the Royal Field Artillery who was killed in action on 31 July 1918. She married secondly Lt-Col Eyre POWELL, RAMC (d. 1951<sup>453</sup>).

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<sup>449</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 16 August 1900 – DEATH OF MR F. A. E. CROKER, D.L. There is also a headstone in Rochestown graveyard.

We record with very great regret the unexpected demise of Mr F. A. E. Croker, D.L, of Ballinagarde, which took place at his residence on Tuesday evening. The sad news when received in town yesterday morning created great surprise and sorrow amongst many friends who but quite recently saw Mr Croker in enjoyment apparently of his usual good health. Indeed, he had been ill only since Thursday last. His premature demise is deeply regretted by the people of the district surrounding Ballinagarde, amongst whom Mr. Croker was most popular, his kindly, genial and obliging manner; having won him the esteem of his neighbours without distinction of class or creed. On the death of his brother, Mr H S M Croker, D L, in 1897, Mr Croker succeeded to the Ballinagarde estates, and since then has constantly resided at the family seat. He took a very practical interest in agricultural pursuits, and shortly after his arrival at Ballinagarde was foremost in a movement for the establishment of a local creamery. He was for some time a member of the Limerick Board of Guardians, and took a warm and sympathetic interest in all that concerned the well being of the poor and the distressed, and, as a proof of his thoughtfulness and kindness of heart, it may be remarked that he provided a treat for the workhouse children at Ballinagarde a year ago. His death at the comparatively early age of 53 years is sincerer regretted, and deep sympathy is expressed with Mrs Croker and his relatives in their bereavement. The funeral will be private.

<sup>450</sup> National Archives Dublin — 1900 CROKER, Frederick Albert Edward [683] 11 December Probate of the will of Frederick Albert Edward CROKER late of Ballynagarde, county Limerick, Esq JP DL who died on 14 August 1900 granted at Dublin to Emily A CROKER widow. Effects £2443-9-6.

<sup>451</sup> BLGI 1899 — CROKER of Ballyneguard

<sup>452</sup> BIFR 1976

<sup>453</sup> BIFR1976

- ⊕ *Violet (Florence) Emily Kate Georgina* born 18 February 1877 in Dublin. She married Samuel TUKE of Netherton Hall, Devon who was a son of James Hack TUKE of Hitchen, Herts<sup>454</sup> and had issue.
- ⊕ *Constance Evelyn Nancye*, the youngest daughter, married Captain the Hon Robert Sheffield STUART on 9 December 1909 who was presumed killed in action on 2 November 1914. She married, secondly, on 1 January 1920 in Duncan, British Columbia, Canada, Charles Gordon Lee ELVERSON, son of Major Hamilton James ELVERSON and had issue.
  - ★ Charles Ronald Croker ELVERSON (Major, Queens Royal Regt) who was born on 26 November 1920 at Wimbledon, London and married on 23 October 1948 at Seaton, Devon, Rosemary Anne BARKWORTH who was born on 15 December 1928<sup>455</sup> who died 10 Apr 1998.
    - ♠ Ronald Peter Charles ELVERSON
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    - ♠ John Henry Patrick ELVERSON
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    - ♠ Christopher William ELVERSON
  - ★ Ann Francis ELVERSON b. 13 Jun 1922 Victoria BC. died on 1 August 1989 at Teignmouth, Devon. She married Anthony Cormick LYNCH-STAUTON (Major, Queens Royal Regt). He died in December 2006 at Nunney, Frome, Somerset.
    - ♠ Richard Anthony Cormick LYNCH-STAUTON
    - .
    - ♠ Diana Edith Constance LYNCH-STAUTON
    - .
    - ♠ Victoria Ann LYNCH-STAUTON
    - ♠ Charles Cormick LYNCH-STAUTON
- *Charles de la Poer Beresford* who was born on 23 November 1856<sup>456</sup>. He married firstly on 19 May 1881 at St Anne, Dublin, Harriet Katherine HARE daughter of Charles HARE Archdeacon of Limerick. She died in December quarter 1881 in Limerick. He married secondly Edith Elizabeth ADAMS, daughter of Alfred ADAMS on 11 October 1884<sup>457</sup> at St Mark's,

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<sup>454</sup> BIFR1976

<sup>455</sup> Burkes Peerage 2003 under Sutton.

<sup>456</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 27 November 1856 – November 23, at Rutland Square, Lady Georgina CROKER of a son

<sup>457</sup> Irish Civil Registration Marriages Dublin South District March quarter 1884 Vol 2 p 581.

Dublin. He died in 1891. She died aged 23 in March quarter 1886<sup>458</sup> soon after the birth of her son.

⊕ *Alfred Edward Beresford* whose birth was registered in June quarter 1886<sup>459</sup>. He was brought up in England by an aunt and became Financial Secretary to the Catholic Archbishop of Southwark. He contracted polio at an early age and was to spend the rest of his life in a wheelchair. He died in 1959<sup>460</sup>. He left one male child.

- *Frances Mary Monck* who married Edward John DE LA POER of Gort, county Galway on 27 March 1880 at St Anne's Dublin. The witnesses were her siblings *Frederick* and *Alice*.
- *Alice Georgina*, OBE who died unmarried on 7 August 1925 in Dublin aged 80.
- *Georgina Ellen Monck* who married on 9 February 1882<sup>461</sup> Richard Powell REES, of the Firs, county Hereford and Captain in the 7th Dragoon Guards<sup>462</sup>. She died on 6 June 1885.
- *Alma Louisa Geraldine Isabella* who married on 29 October 1874 at St Anne's, Dublin, Arthur HAMILTON JP of Hollybrook, county Dublin and son of Charles William HAMILTON.<sup>463</sup>
- *Henrietta or Ellen* who married Lieutenant Frederick John PARTRIDGE RN son of John PARTRIDGE of Bishops Wood, Herefordshire, on 14 December 1848<sup>464</sup>. The birth of a son at Ballyneguard was reported in the *Freeman's Journal* of 29 May 1851.
- *Janette* who married on 3 December 1845, at Fedamore, Francis M WALSH son of George WALSH of Lisbon and Cintra, Portugal<sup>465</sup>. They had a daughter born on 17 April 1847<sup>466</sup> and a son born in Paris on 10 March 1857<sup>467</sup>. They were

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<sup>458</sup> Irish Civil Registration Deaths Dublin South District March quarter 1886 Vol 2 p 493

<sup>459</sup> Irish Civil Registration Births Dublin South District June quarter 1886 Vol 2 p 588

<sup>460</sup> These details are from a communication from Patrick John Beresford Croker.

<sup>461</sup> Free BDM: Marriages — March quarter 1882; St. George Hanover Square – Vol 1a p 553

<sup>462</sup> See England civil registration BDM — Volume 1a p553.

<sup>463</sup> BLGI 1899 — HAMILTON of Hamwood.

<sup>464</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 20 December 1848 – On the 14th instant, in Kilpeacon Church, Frederick PARTRIDGE, Esq. Lieutenant in the Royal Navy, son of John PARTRIDGE, Esq. of Bishopswood, Herefordshire, to Henry Ellen daughter of J CROKER, Esq. of Ballyneguarde Esq

<sup>465</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 5 December 1845 – On the 3d inst, at Fedamore church, by her uncle the Rev Robert CROKER, and afterwards by the Right Rev Dr RYAN, Catholic Bishop of Limerick, Francis M WALSH, Esq, eldest son of J WALSH, Esq of Lisbon and Cintra, to Jannette, daughter of John CROKER Esq of Ballynaguard, county Limerick, and niece of Colonel [William] CROKER, of the 17th regiment

<sup>466</sup> *Cork examiner* — 3 May 1847 – On the 17th inst., in Lisbon, Mrs. Francis Walsh, (daughter of John Croker, Esq. of Ballyneguard, county Limerick), of a daughter.

<sup>467</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 18 March 1857 – March 10, in Paris the lady of Francis WALSH Esq (daughter of John CROKER Esq of Ballynagarde, in the county Limerick) of a son

living at Paddington at the time of the 1861 census. Then Janette was aged 37 and her husband 48. Their children were:

- Francis M L WALSH born circa 1848;
  - Adeline C B WALSH born circa 1848;
  - Evelyn A WALSH born circa 1852;
  - Henrietta S WALSH born circa 1854
  - Frederick H WALSH born circa 1857;
  - Edward C WALSH born circa 1859.
- *Henry* who received the Freedom of Limerick on 29 January 1817. He married on 30 September 1840<sup>468</sup> Ellen (or Mary) O'GRADY daughter of Darby O'GRADY of Agharroch, County Cork by a Cashel and Emly licence. He died on 3 March 1878. She died on 23 August 1849<sup>469</sup> at Dromkeen. Their issue includes:
    - Son and heir born 1 May 1842 at Linfield, county Limerick.
    - *Edward*
    - *John Stokes* born on 3 June 1844 at Dromkeen and died on 27 June 1911 in Folkstone, Kent. He became a Lieutenant-Colonel in the Royal Scots Fusiliers. He married Bithia Mary SHEPPARD was born in Co. Roscommon, the only daughter of a Church of England clergyman, the Rev William SHEPARD and Bithia WATSON<sup>470</sup>. She was the famous author of many stories of India. On his retirement in 1892 at the rank of Colonel, they went to live in Co. Wicklow and finally settled in Folkestone. She died in London on 20 October 1920<sup>471</sup>.
      - *Gertrude Eileen (Aileen) Celeste* MBE who was born at Madras on 11 December 1872 and married Captain (later Colonel and baronet, Sir) Albert Edward WHITAKER (born 9 May 1860) of the fifth Fusiliers on 29 April 1896. He died 11 June 1945. She died on 5 May 1947. Their son John Albert WHITAKER was a major-general in the army.
    - *Ellen* probably born 23 April 1843<sup>472</sup>.
    - *Gertrude Jane* who died on 7 March 1904 at Kilkee, county Clare, aged 57 years<sup>473</sup>. She was at Kilkee in the 1901 Census aged 54.
    - *Jane*

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<sup>468</sup>*Limerick Standard* — 5 October 1840 – At Drunkeen church, by the Rev Robert CROKER, Henry CROKER, Esq of Drunkeen House, to Ellen, daughter of Darby O'GRADY of Linfield, in this co, Esq

<sup>469</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 30 August 1849 – August 23, at Dromkeen, county Limerick, Mrs. CROKER, wife of Henry CROKER, Esq.

<sup>470</sup> *Irish Ancestor* Vol XIV No 1 1982 p

<sup>471</sup> See *Irish Book Lover* XII p68 for obit.

<sup>472</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 28 April 1843

<sup>473</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 10 March 1904 – CROKER—March 7<sup>th</sup>, of pneumonia, Gertrude Jane, second daughter of the late Henry CROKER, Dromkeen House, County Limeerick.

- *Mary Eliza* who married Michael STOKES on 19 June 1878. They immigrated to Victoria where several children.
  - Michael STOKES who died aged 28 in 1912.
  - Mary Elizabeth STOKES born in 1887 and died in 1906 aged 18.
  - Margaret STOKES born in 1889 and died age 16 in 1905.
  - Catherine STOKES born 1892 and died aged one in 1893.
  - Evangeline STOKES born 1893.
  - James STOKES born 1897.
  - John STOKES born 1900.
  - Mary Catherine STOKES born 1903.
- *Charles* who was born on 5 February 1793 and became a Captain in the Royal Navy. He married Martha CRONE daughter of Robert Fennell CRONE and Martha NORCOTT of Byblox, County Cork at Holy Trinity Parish Cork City on 7 October 1830. She died on 18 November 1872. He lived at Lissa in Doneraile where he died on 23 December 1877. They had issue:
  - *Martha* born on South Mall Cork and baptised at Holy Trinity Parish Cork City on 16 December 1831. She married *Edward* JP later of Creagh House, Doneraile who died without issue 17 April 1910. She was buried on 12 October 1912.
  - *Charles* of Lissa who with Robert CRONE was administrator of his father's estate.
  - *Katherine*
  - *Richard*
  - *Jane Margaret* born 25 December 1842<sup>474</sup> and baptised at Doneraile 8 October 1843. In 1873 she married her cousin *William* youngest son of Colonel *William* (see section above). He was described as late Major 27th Iniskillings of Lysa Doneraile in 1877. She died 11 October 1925 and is buried with her husband in St Mary's Limerick.
- *Robert* (Rev) who entered Trinity College Dublin in 1812 aged 17. He was ordained a deacon at Limerick on 16 August 1818<sup>475</sup>. He married circa 9 July 1830 at Fedamore church, Margaret Catherine O'GRADY daughter of Standish O'GRADY of Grange, County Limerick<sup>476</sup> and sister of Henry O'GRADY of Grange<sup>477</sup>. He was rector of

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<sup>474</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 17 January 1843 – In Cork, the lady of Capt Charles CROKER RN of a daughter

<sup>475</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 21 August 1818 – Ordinations held at our cathedral on Sunday last, the following gentlemen were admitted into orders. Deacons: Robert CROKER ...

<sup>476</sup> *Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel* — 9 July 1830 – At Fedamore church, county Limerick, by the Rev Edward CROKER, the Rev Robert CROKER, Rector of Dromin and Athlacca, to Margaret Catherine daughter of the late Standish O'GRADY of Grange, county Limerick.

<sup>477</sup> *Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel* — 3 September 1833 – At Grange, the seat of her brother Henry O'GRADY, Esq. the lady of the Rev. Robert CROKER, of a daughter.

Drumin and Athlacca and died 21 May 1848<sup>478</sup>. She died on 18 January 1874<sup>479</sup>. They had issue:

- *Edward* of Grange, County Limerick who was Deputy Lieutenant of County Limerick, High Sheriff of County Limerick in 1868, and Captain of 47th Foot. He died 2 June 1896 unmarried aged 60 (obituary *Limerick Chronicle* 2 Jun 1896)<sup>480</sup>.
- *Helen Maria* who married on 29 July 1858<sup>481</sup>, Swinnerton Halladay DYER Captain in the 8th Regiment and eldest son of Sir Thomas DYER Bt of Brompton Hall, county Middlesex. Swinnerton was born 4 June 1833 and died 16 March 1882<sup>482</sup>.
- *Caroline* who died on 8 December 1925 in Dublin aged 87 years. The Limerick City Museum has a catalogue for sale of some furniture from her estate on 9, 12 and 13 April 1926<sup>483</sup>.
- *Thomas* (Rev) of Maryville, county Limerick, who entered TCD on 4 January 1819 aged 18 and obtained his BA 1822 and MA in November 1832. He was made a deacon in 1824<sup>484</sup>. He married on 21 May 1829, Elizabeth HAIGH daughter of John (or Joseph) HAIGH of Whitwell Yorkshire<sup>485</sup>. A daughter was born in George's Street Limerick circa 2 April 1830<sup>486</sup>. His wife died at Croom Castle on 8 October 1844<sup>487</sup>. Their issue were:

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<sup>478</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 26 May 1848 – On the 22d inst, at Athlacca Glebe, near Bruff, the Rev Robert CROKER, sixth son of the late Edward CROKER Esq of Ballinagarde, county Limerick

<sup>479</sup> Monumental Inscription in St Mary's churchyard Limerick City. Irish civil registration records.

<sup>480</sup> *Morning Post* (London) – 3 Jun 1896 – A Limerick Correspondent telegraphs:— Captain Edward CROKER, late 47th Regiment, and an extensive landed proprietor, died suddenly yesterday, in his 65th year. He was a Deputy Lieutenant, Magistrate, and Grand Juror for the County. Irish civil registration has age 60 and unmarried.

<sup>481</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 31 July 1858 – July 29, at Fedamore, Swinnerton H DYER, eldest son of Sir Thomas DYER Bt of Brompton Hall, Middlesex, and Capt in the 8th King's regt, to Helen Maria, eldest daughter of the late Rev Robert CROKER of Athlacca and niece of Thomas O'GRADY Esq the Grange, county Limerick

<sup>482</sup> *The Times* — 26 March 1882 obit

<sup>483</sup> [http://museum.limerick.ie/index.php/Detail/Object/Show/object\\_id/14231](http://museum.limerick.ie/index.php/Detail/Object/Show/object_id/14231) (accessed February 2013).

<sup>484</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 18 October 1824 – Sunday last, an Ordination was held at the Cathedral by the Lord Bishop of Limerick, by whom an excellent sermon was preached. The following were admitted into Deacons' Orders, Messrs. Thomas CROKER, Arthur Blennerhasett ROWAN, John Lindsay CHUTE, and Francis Blake WOODWARD—and the following into Priests orders. Messes. Thomas WESTROPP, Thomas Exham HIFFERNAN, and John WALSH.

<sup>485</sup> *Guardian* — 30 May 1829 – On the 21<sup>st</sup> inst at Cheltenham, the Rev. Thomas CROKER, to Eliza, third daughter of Joseph HAIGH, Esq. of Spring Wood, Yorkshire,

<sup>486</sup> *Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel*

<sup>487</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 11 October 1844 – on the 8th instant, at Croom Castle, county Limerick, Eliza wife of the Rev Thomas CROKER.



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- *Emilie* who was married by her father circa 4 January 1853 at Ballynahane with Captain Arthur PHILLPOTTS, of the Royal Artillery and son of the Bishop of Exeter<sup>488</sup>.
- *Elizabeth* the second daughter married on 17 April 1855 at Ballycahane, William STAWELL Esq of Doneraile, County Cork<sup>489</sup> son of George STAWELL a barrister.
- *Maria Mary [Margaret]* the third daughter married on 9 January 1860 at the church of Ballycahane, John STEIN of Thomond Place, Limerick City<sup>490</sup>. He was a son of Robert STEIN.
  - John Croker STEIN who died on 21 April 1903.
- son who accidentally lost his thumbs in an explosion of a powder flask, aged 15 in 1850<sup>491</sup>.
- another son
- *Margaret* who married circa 1 April 1808 her cousin the Very Rev Richard BAGWELL Dean of Clogher, second son of Col John BAGWELL and brother of Catherine Adeline who married *John* above. She died 1825. He was born in 1777 and died in April 1826. Their children were:
  - John BAGWELL, who succeeded his uncle Rt Hon Colonel William BAGWELL to the Marlfield estates<sup>492</sup>.
  - Edward BAGWELL-PUREFOY
  - Margaret BAGWELL
  - Mary BAGWELL who married her cousin George GOUGH of Wooddock, county Limerick, circa 30 October 1835.

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<sup>488</sup> *Cardiff and Merthyr Guardian, Glamorgan, Monmouth, and Brecon Gazette* – 8 January 1853 – Dec. 28. At Ballycahane, Captain Arthur PHILLPOTTS, R.A., son of the Bishop of Exeter, to Emilia, eldest daughter of the Rev. Thomas CROKER, Vicar of Adare, county Limerick.

<sup>489</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 23 April 1855 – April 17, at Ballycahane, William STAWELL, Esq, of Hermitage, Doneraile, county Cork, to Eliza, second daughter of the Rev Thomas CROKER, vicar of Adare, county Limerick

<sup>490</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 14 January 1860 – January 9, at Ballycahane, John STEIN, Esq, Limerick, to Maria Mary, third daughter of the Rev Thomas CROKER of Maryville, vicar of Adare

<sup>491</sup> *The Times* — 13 November 1850 p 7.

<sup>492</sup> *Limerick Chronicle*

8 November 1826 – Colonel BAGWELL, who died at his Cottage, Eastgrove, near Cove, on Saturday, was a Privy Councillor in Ireland, and a Trustee of the Linen Manufacture, he represented since his father's death the County Tipperary, to the last session. The Colonelcy of the County Tipperary Regiment is now vacant, as is also the Office of Mayor of Clonmel. His extensive estates devolve to his nephew, the eldest son of the late Dean BAGWELL and grandson of Edward CROKER, of Ballyneguard, in this County, Esq.

15 November 1826 – Colonel BAGWELL's aunt, Mrs. BOWSFIELD, has been made his sole executrix, and is willed 1,500l. a year during her life, with all his chattel property. The hereditary estates go to John BAGWELL, Esq son of the late Very Rev. Richard BAGWELL, Dean of Clogher.

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- Jane BAGWELL who married Benjamin Bunbury FRENDE son of Benjamin FRENDE of Rocklow, Co Tipperary on 13 November 1841<sup>493</sup>.
- *Sarah* married by her brother *Edward* at Fedamore church on 6 June 1811 with Maj George GOUGH<sup>494</sup> of Woodstown near Limerick, son of Lt-Col George GOUGH of the Limerick Militia and Letitia BUNBURY, daughter of Thomas BUNBURY of Kill, county Carlow. The elder George was eldest brother of Sir Hugh, 1st Viscount GOUGH and of the Archdeacon of Derry. She died on 14 February 1870 and he died on 13 June 1841<sup>495</sup>. None of their children produced heirs and this line died out.
  - George GOUGH (1814 – 7th Nov 1894) of Birdhill, County Limerick, inherited Woodstown in 1841 and married his cousin Mary BAGWELL, daughter of Very Rev. Richard Hare Bagwell, Dean of Clogher, Co. Tyrone with marriage settlement dated 23 Oct 1835.
  - Edward GOUGH, was born about 1815, joined the 58th Regiment and died, in India, in 1838.
  - Thomas GOUGH (1815 – 15 April 1885) of Greenmill, Clonmel, married Elizabeth William FRENDE (1824 – 21 February 1890) daughter of the Rev William Causabon FRENDE of Rathurd Castle, County Limerick. The marriage settlement was dated 16 September 1846<sup>496</sup> and the marriage occurred on 17 September 1846 at St Thomas's Dublin. They had 2 daughters and 2 sons.
    - Thomas GOUGH died in his childhood;
    - George GOUGH who died on 30th September 1881, aged 30;
    - Mary GOUGH (Nov 1847 – 22 Nov 1929): and
    - Georgina GOUGH (1849 – 8 July 1881).
  - Hugh GOUGH who was born about 1816, became a Lieutenant in the 1st Royal Dragoon Guards and died unmarried.

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<sup>493</sup> Longford Journal — 20 November 1841 – Nov. 13, in Cove church, Benjamin Bunbury FrenDE, Esq., son of Benjamin FrenDE, Esq., of Rocklow, county of Tipperary, to Jane, daughter of the late Very Rev. Richard Bagwell, Dean of Clogher.

<sup>494</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 7 June 1811 – Yesterday at Fedamore church, by her brother, the Rev Edward CROKER, George GOUGH, Esq of Woodstown, near this city, to Miss CROKER daughter of Edward CROKER of Ballyneguard, in this county

See also Registry of Deeds Book 641 Page 42 Memorial 438964 dated 6 June 1811.

<sup>495</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 18 June 1841 – On Sunday last, in Dawson street, Maj George GOUGH of Woodstown, near Limerick, eldest son of the late LtCol GOUGH of the Limerick Militia and brother of Maj Gen Sir Hugh GOUGH

*Limerick Standard* — 17 June 1841 – In Dawson Street, Dublin, Maj George GOUGH of Woodstown, near this city, eldest son of the late Lt Col GOUGH, the city of Limerick Militia and brother of Maj-Gen Sir Hugh GOUGH and the Archdeacon of Derry

<sup>496</sup> Registry of Deeds 1846 Volume 17 Folio 64.

## Croom

*Richard*, second son of *John III* of Ballynagarde (see section 8.5i) obtained his BA at Trinity College Dublin in 1779. He entered Holy orders and was given three family livings: Rector of Croom and Athlacca, and Vicar of Adare before 1780. He was made Rector and Vicar of Tankardstown in 1791<sup>497</sup>. He is generally described as of Croom Castle. On 26 June 1801 he was granted the freedom of Limerick. He advertised in the *Limerick General Advertiser* in February 1812 the lease or sale of Croom Castle and in May 1812 the sale of the associated livestock and other household items. He died on 12 November 1823 at Smythfield<sup>498</sup>. *Richard* married firstly Mary, daughter of James GUTHRIE of Moyhill, county Clare, and Elizabeth TIERNEY before 1780<sup>499</sup>. She died 2 September 1804 and was buried in Croom church<sup>500</sup>. He married secondly Anne daughter of Thomas WALCOT in Limerick in December 1819. By his first wife he had issue:

- *John* of Croom Castle (see below).
- *Richard* who entered the Royal Navy and was commissioned Lieutenant on 7 January 1809. He was stabbed by a seaman, Joseph GIBSON, in 1812 who was hanged 20 November 1812<sup>501</sup>. He was promoted Commander on 15 June 1814 but received a pension for wounds that December when he retired with the courtesy rank of Captain. He was granted the freedom of Limerick on 1 July 1816. His brave actions saving seven people from the sea off Glin were reported in the *Limerick General Advertiser* on 13 September 1816. *Richard* was of Blandsford, Queens County, when he married Catherine Jane BLAND by an Ossory, Ferns and Leighlin licence in February 1817 at Ballyrone church<sup>502</sup>. Their marriage settlement was dated 13 February prior to their

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<sup>497</sup> Finn's Leinster Journal — 6 August 1791 – The Lord Bishop of Limerick has presented the Reverend Richard CROKER to the Rectory and Vicarage of Tankardstown, void by the death of the Reverend Daniel WIDENHAM

<sup>498</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 12 November 1823 – This morning, at his residence at Smythfield, in this County, after a protracted and painful illness, and in the 65th year of his age, the Rev. Richard CROKER, Rector of Croom and Vicar of Adare, in this Diocese. His death has deeply afflicted a large family and extensive and highly respectable connections and friends, and is indeed a source of unfeigned regret to all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance, and the Poor will have to lament in him the loss of a generous benefactor. His remains will be interred in the family vault at Croom.

*Freeman's Journal* — 14 November 1823 – On Wednesday morning, at Smythfield, county Limerick, after a protracted and painful illness, in the 65th year of his age the Rev Richard CROKER, Rector of Croom and Vicar of Adare, in that Diocese.

<sup>499</sup> Registry of Deeds Book 405 Page 299 Memorial [266024](#).

<sup>500</sup> Journal of the Association for the Preservation of Memorials of the Dead in Ireland (1905) p578: On a table tomb in a railed in enclosure at the east end of the church [with the following inscription] Sacred to the memory of Mary | wife of Rev<sup>d</sup> Richard CROKER | of Croom, who departed Life | Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September 1804.

<sup>501</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 24 November 1812 – Friday Joseph GIBSON, seaman of his Majesty's ship la Loire, sentenced to death, for maliciously stabbing Lieut. CROKER, son of the Rev Richard CROKER, of this city, suffered the sentence passed on him, on board that ship at Spithead.

<sup>502</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 21 February 1817 – At Ballyrone Church, Capt Richard CROKER to Catherine Jane eldest daughter of the late John BLAND Esq of Blandsford, Queen's County and niece to Generals Humphrey and Thomas BLAND

marriage. *Richard* died at Thornbury Queens County in October 1836<sup>503</sup>. His will dated 1 August 1836 was proved PCC. His widow married on 4 June 1846<sup>504</sup>, in London, Rev T F BOWERBANK<sup>505</sup> Vicar of Chiswick London. *Richard* and Catherine had issue:

- *Bland William* born circa 8 January 1822<sup>506</sup> and later of Schloss Weisenburg, Styrie, Austria. He was a civil engineer involved in building canals in Holland around 1853. He married Caroline WESTBROOK daughter of William WESTBROOK on 31 January 1857 at Saint James, Westminster. He died in May 1871, aged 49.
- *Charles Humphrey* of Fray Bentos, Uruguay who was the father of:
  - *Richard Bland* born at Monterides and educated at Malvern College. He matriculated Michaelmas 1880 and admitted pensioner, aged 19, at Jesus College, Cambridge on 14 October 1880. He married Edith PEEL on 6 July 1887 in Uruguay<sup>507</sup>. They had a daughter born on 21 January 1888. *Richard Bland* was associated with the Anglican Church in Uruguay playing a leading role in missionary work. The marriage of *Robert H*

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<sup>503</sup>*Limerick Times* — 24 October 1836 – At his seat Thornbury, Queen's county, Capt Richard CROKER of the Royal Navy a magistrate of that county, and son of the late Rev John CROKER, of Smythfield, in this county.

<sup>504</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 8 June 1846 – On the 4th instant, in London [St Peter's, Hammersmith by the Rev Lewis BOWERBANK *Times*], the Rev T F BOWERBANK, vicar of Chiswick, to Catherine Jane, widow of Capt Richard CROKER of the Royal Navy, and eldest daughter of the late John BLAND Esq of Blandsford House, in the Queen's county

<sup>505</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 6 March 1812 – On January 28th, at Bristol, Hot Wells, after a lingering illness of more than two years continuance, Ann BOWERBANK, aged 26; and on Saturday evening the 9th ult. At the house of her brother T F BOWERBANK, Vicar of Chiswick, Isabel BOWERBANK, only surviving sister, aged 22, following their youngest brother Edward, aged twenty three, and their sister Mary, aged twenty four, to the grave, within a period of ten months. — the circumstances attending the deaths of these four young persons are very remarkable. — their brother Edward arrived from India; labouring under deep consumption: his sister Mary came to Bristol to see him, at Chiswick, but would not be persuaded of his danger, until she had heard the decided opinions of the medical attendant to an indifferent person, for which purpose she concealed herself behind the curtain. "Now" said she, "I am satisfied — I hope I shall not survive him." She was taken ill next morning and, after twelve days died, preceding the object of her tender solicitude to the grave by exactly a month. — Similar, but more awful, has been the fate of poor Isabel. For several months past it has been her repeated declaration, both by letter and words, that anxious as she might be to have health and strength to administer to the comforts of her lingering sister, yet, as soon as the scene of her suffering should close, life would become indifferent to herself. On the 5th inst. her sister was buried. On Friday she accompanied her brother to Chiswick, where she arrived without the least fatigue on Saturday. On Sunday, after a few hours of apparently trifling indisposition, from which she appeared to be fast recovering, in the act of making some refreshment, she raised her eyes, and, without least change of feature or posture, immediately expired! — They were four of the six children of the late Rev Edward BOWERBANK, Rector of Croft and Baringham, and Prebendary of Lincoln.

<sup>506</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 8 January 1822 – At Thornbury, in the Queen's county, the lady of Captain CROKER of the Royal Navy, of a son and heir.

<sup>507</sup>*The Times* — 22 August 1887 – On the 6th of July, at Paysandu, Uruguay, by the Rev \_ ALLEN (English Chaplain), Richard Bland CROKER, son of Charles CROKER, of Fray Bentos, Uruguay, to Edith, daughter of Robert Lloyd PEEL, of Estonica, Bella Vista, Uruguay

probably a son to Edith Mary Evelyn Gelson GREGSON, only daughter of William Brice GREGSON, at Buenos Aires was announced in *The Times* on 7 January 1937<sup>508</sup>.

- *Catherine* who married Robert Henry BLAND JP who was born on 4 October 1834 and he died circa 1916<sup>509</sup>.
- *Elisabeth Mary* who was aged 29 in the 1851 census when she was living with her mother and step-father and married in 1865 ?? BAYLY of Lowndes Square London.
- *Caroline Harriet* who was aged 27 in the 1851 census when she was living with her mother and step-father married in 1852 Richard Bolton BARTON. She died before 1861 when he married secondly Elizabeth Anne DALTON. He became Chief Magistrate of Bombay and died on 27 December 1882<sup>510</sup>.
- *Georgina Sarah* who died circa 22 February 1834.
- *Ricarda Catherine* who was born January 1837 and married on 3 June 1857 at Chiswick, Donald William MACKENZIE<sup>511</sup>. She died in January 1861<sup>512</sup>.
- *George Tierney* of Castle Croom. He married on 19 February 1821<sup>513</sup> Amy Harriet sister of Thomas Lyons WALCOTT who married *George Tierney's* sister Anne and daughter of John WALCOTT of the Polygon Southampton and Croagh, county Limerick, and later of Highnam Court, Gloucestershire and died without surviving issue in January 1838<sup>514</sup>. They had a son born at Highnam Gloucestershire in July 1822. She died soon afterwards<sup>515</sup>.

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<sup>508</sup> Mr R H CROKER and Miss GREGSON – The marriage arranged between Robert H CROKER, of Rosario and Estancia San Jose, Paysandu, Uruguay, and Edith, only daughter of Mr and Mrs W B GREGSON, formerly of Liss, will take place in Vuenos Aires at St John's Pro-Cathedral on February 6. [Further details provided in an e-mail from Philip Gregson]

<sup>509</sup> *BIFR* (1975) BLAND of Blandsfort.

<sup>510</sup> *The Times* — 29 December 1882 obit

<sup>511</sup> *The Times* — 4 June 1857 – On the 3d inst, at the parish church Chiswick, by the Rev J D HARDING, Donald William MACKENZIE Esq of Canton, China, son of the late Major Donald MACKENZIE, Royal African Corps, to Ricarda Catherine, youngest daughter of the late Captain Richard CROKER RN See also Freeman's Journal 8 June 1857

*The Irish-American* — 4 July 1857 – June 3 at the parish church of Chiswick, Middlesex, D. MACKENZIE, Esq., of Canton, China, son of the late Major D. MACKENZIE, to Ricarda, youngest daughter of the late Captain Richard CROKER, R.N., formerly of Thornbury, Queen's County.

<sup>512</sup> *Cork Examiner* — 6 January 1861

<sup>513</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 27 February 1821 – On 19th inst at Adare Church, county Limerick, George Tierney CROKER Esq son of the Rev Richard CROKER rector of Croom and adare to Anny Harriet daughter of john WALLCOTT Esq of the Polygon, Southampton and Croagh, county Limerick.

<sup>514</sup> *Limerick Standard* — 19 January 1838 – At his lodgings in this city George Tierney CROKER Esq

<sup>515</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 2 August 1822 – At her father's seat, Highnam Court Gloucester, in the prime of life after a short illness, Mrs CROKER [Harriet nee WALCOTT] wife of George Tierney CROKER Esq.

- *Elizabeth* who married circa 4 November 1804 William SMYTH the third son of Richard SMYTH the elder of Ballylin, County Limerick<sup>516</sup>. William SMYTH was given as the holder of lands from William HAMMOND a bankrupt in an advertisement in the Limerick General Advertiser on 27 January 1809. For one of the lands, Ballynamucky — 58 acres, *George Tierney* and *Robert* together with Thomas SEYMOUR are the three young lives mentioned in the lease dated 13 August 1808. The birth of a son and heir was reported in the Limerick General Advertiser on 26 April 1814.
  - Richard Croker SMYTH living at Ballylin, Rathkeale in 1846 — *Slaters Directory of Ireland*. He was their only son and was aged 30 on 22 April 1846. He studied at Grey's Inn and was admitted to the Irish Bar in 1844. He married on 5 September 1848 Martha Mary MORROGH youngest daughter of Edward MORROGH of Glanmire, county Cork<sup>517</sup>. She died 24 November 1854<sup>518</sup> in Dublin and he died on 11 December 1854<sup>519</sup>. There is a memorial stone in Mount Jerome Cemetery to both of them. See also BLGI 1899.
- *Mary* who married 23 April 1810 Rev James William GRAVES of Castle Robert son of Rev John GRAVES of Fort William, County Limerick and nephew of Rev Richard GRAVES DD Senior Fellow TCD. Their marriage settlement was dated 30 June 1810<sup>520</sup>. Her brother *John* officiated at her marriage. Their first son was born 7 December 1810 at the seat of her brother-in-law William SMYTH. Another son's birth at Croom Castle was reported in the Limerick General Advertiser on 21 February 1812. The birth of their fourteenth and fifteenth children, twins, at Nantenant Glebe was reported in the *Limerick Chronicle* on 26 May 1827. Her death at Nantenant Glebe was reported in the *Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel* on 26 January 1830.
  - Richard Croker GRAVES who married on 1 July 1841 at St Brides Dublin Christina Margarette NUNN widow of Abraham NUNN Esq of Larne, South Wales first cousin to the Earl of Donoughmore.
  - Ryves William GRAVES who married Isabella daughter of the late Rev Standish GRADY of Elton, in the county of Limerick.
    - Geraldine Lucy GRAVES the second daughter who married on 11 August 1874, Lieutenant Frederick Alexander CURRIE, son of Major M E CIRRIE and grandson of Sir Frederick CURRIE, Bart<sup>521</sup>.

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<sup>516</sup>Marriage settlement Registry of Deeds, Book 581 Page 112 Memorial [389760](#).

<sup>517</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 8 September 1848 – On the 5th inst, at Glanmire, in the co Cork, Croker SMYTH Esq, barrister-at-law, only son of the late Wm. SMYTH, of Ballylin, in the co of Limerick, Esq, to Martha Mary, youngest daughter of Edward MORROGH, of Glanmire in the co Cork, Esq. See also Burke's *Landed Gentry of Ireland* 1899

<sup>518</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 29 November 1854 – November 24, in Lower Fitzwilliam street, Martha, wife of Croker SMYTH Esq barrister-at-law

<sup>519</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 21 December 1854 – December 13, in Merion Street, Richard Croker SMYTH, Esq barrister-at-law —not a month after his beloved wife

<sup>520</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 623 Page 155 Memorial [427279](#).

<sup>521</sup>*Berrow's Worcester Journal* (Worcester, England), Saturday, 15 August, 1874 –CURRIE – GRAVES. —Aug. 11, at St Mary de Crypt Church, Gloucester, by the Rev. James CROKER, MA, Rector of Brailsford, Derbyshire, cousin to the bride, assisted by the Rev. Donald M SPENCE, Rector

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- Edwin E GRAVES who married Annie LOWTHER on 9 January 1852.<sup>522</sup> He died in Australia on 7 November 1903.
- *Sarah Penefather* who married Thomas HEARD of Kinsale, Captain of the North Cork Regiment of Militia by Cork and Ross marriage licence on 13 December 1815 at Dundurrow church, near Kinsale<sup>523</sup>. Their eldest daughter Mary married John Bateman BARNES barrister at law in St Peter's, Dublin on 6 October 1842.
- *Susan Carbery* who married John FITZGERALD Esq of Ballingoole later MD of Rathcahercorney and son of the Rev Mr FITZGERALD at St George's Church Limerick on 19 April 1820<sup>524</sup>.
- *Margaret Anne* who married at Ballycahane, county Limerick, circa 16 January 1818<sup>525</sup>, *James Guthrie* RUSSELL, attorney of Limerick second son of Abraham RUSSELL and Eliza GUTHRIE, and grandson of Eliza GUTHRIE<sup>526</sup>. He was most likely her first cousin. The birth of a son was reported on 6 October 1818 in the *Limerick General Advertiser*. The birth of a daughter in Dublin is reported in the *Limerick Chronicle* of 20 April 1822. The birth of a daughter at Hollis Street, Dublin, was reported in the *Freeman's Journal* of 29 July 1825. In the *Limerick Chronicle* of 8 March 1823 a son. The birth of a still born child at Richmond Lodge was reported in the *Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel* of 22 September 1829. He moved from the Crescent to Thomas Street, Limerick in 1827<sup>527</sup>.
  - Abraham Downes RUSSELL

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of the parish, Examining Chaplain to the Lord Bishop of the Diocese of Gloucester and Bristol, and by the Rev. C E BENTLEY, Frederick Alexander CURRIE, Esq, Lieut. 9<sup>th</sup> Regiment, only son of the late Major M E CURRIE, RA, and grandson of Sir Frederick CURRIE, Bart, to Geraldine Lucy, second daughter of R W GRAVES, Esq, FRCSE, of 80, Barton-street, Gloucester.

<sup>522</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 16 January 1852 – January 9, at Strathbane, Lieutenant Edwin E GRAVES, of the revenue police, son of the Rev J W GRAVES, rector of Faghertermurrough, county Cork, to Annie, eldest daughter of G LOWTHER, Esq of Milltown Villa, county Tyrone

<sup>523</sup> Marriage settlement – Registry of Deeds Book 703 Page 176 Memorial 481911.

<sup>524</sup>*Limerick General Advertiser* — 28 April 1820 – On Wednesday at George's church, John FITZGERALD Esq of Ballingoole, in this county, son of the Rev Mr FITZGERALD to Susan daughter of the Rev Richard CROKER, Rector of Croom

<sup>525</sup>*Limerick General Advertiser* — 16 January 1818 – At Ballyvahane, in this county, James G RUSSELL Esq of this city attorney at law to Miss Margaret CROKER, daughter of the Rev R CROKER rector of Croom

<sup>526</sup>*Kings Inn Admission Papers 1607–1867* — RUSSELL, James Guthrie, 2nd son of Abraham, Limerick, merchant deceased, and Eliza GUTHRIE; over 16; educated Limerick; affidavit Eliza GUTHRIE, widow, grandmother Michelmás 1812

<sup>527</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 27 October 1827 – Auction; To be sold by auction, on Friday next, at twelve o'clock, at the house lately occupied by Mr. James G. RUSSELL, in the Crescent, some articles of Dining Room Furniture, parlour and bedroom furniture, a mangle, &c. &c.

DENMEADE, Auctioneer.

31st October.

N. B. — Mr. RUSSELL has fixed his Office at No 2 Thomas-street, (Corner of George's-street)

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- Susan Wallace RUSSELL who married William Henry MORRIS on 19 March 1851.
- Richard Croker RUSSELL who married Henrietta Frances DUNDAS on 11 June 1849<sup>528</sup> at Clontarf. James Guthrie RUSSELL was a witness to this marriage.
  - Richard James RUSSELL who was born on 17 May 1850.
- Anne who was married by brother-in-law the Rev James William GRAVES on 21 December 1819 at Adare church with Thomas Lyons WALCOTT, Esq son of John WALCOTT of Croagh and now of Southampton<sup>529</sup>.
  - A daughter born at Gloucester circa 29 November 1823<sup>530</sup>.
  - A son and heir born at Gloucester on 12 February 1825<sup>531</sup>.
- Cherrie who was unmarried.
- Charity, who died unmarried circa 26 February 1830 at her brother-in-law, Rev James William GRAVES's, residence Nantenant Glebe<sup>532</sup>.

John eldest son of Richard was also in Holy Orders and succeeded his father as Rector of Croom. He entered TCD in 1804 aged 17. He was ordained a deacon on 27 August 1809 at Killmore<sup>533</sup>. He was made a justice of the peace in 1815<sup>534</sup>. He was granted the freedom of Limerick on 6 August 1817 and was described in the December of that year as of Croom Glebe, County Limerick, Cleric. He was made Vicar of Clounalty and Cloarca in 1823<sup>535</sup>. He replaced his father as one of the Vicars Choral at Limerick Cathedral in 1823<sup>536</sup>. He died

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<sup>528</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 16 June 1849 – June 11, at Clontarf, Richard Croker RUSSELL, Esq of the Royal Navy, to Henrietta Elizabeth, second daughter of Francis DUNDAS Esq late Capt in the 81st regiment

<sup>529</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 24 December 1819

<sup>530</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 29 November 1823 – At Gloucester, the lady of Thomas L. WALCOTT, Esq. of a daughter.

<sup>531</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 19 February 1825 – On the 12<sup>th</sup> inst. at Gloucester, the Lady of Thomas Lyons WALCOTT, Esq. of a son and heir.

<sup>532</sup> *Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel* — 26 January 1830 – At Nantenant Glebe, Co Limerick, Miss Charity CROKER daughter of the late Rev Richard CROKER of Croom Castle in said county

<sup>533</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 5 September 1809 – At an ordination held at Killmore, on Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> August, the following gentlemen were priested—Rev Hass HERBERT, Rev John SWEENY, and Rev William STEWART; John CROKER, B.A. John HARDY, B.A. and William BEATTY, B.A. were admitted into the order of deacons

<sup>534</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 8 December 1815 – The Lord High Chancellor has been pleased to appoint the Rev John CROKER, of the Glebe, Croom, a Justice of the Peace and Quorum for the county Limerick

<sup>535</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 30 August 1823 – The Vicars Choral of St. Mary's Cathedral, Limerick, on Wednesday, presented the Rev. John CROKER, of Croom Glebe, in this County, the United Vicarages of Clounalty and Cloarca, in this Diocese, vacant by the death of the Rev. \_\_\_ OSBORNE.

<sup>536</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 26 November 1823 – The very Rev. the Dean of Limerick has been pleased to appoint the Rev. John CROKER, of Croom Glebe, A. B. a Vicar's Choral, or Minor Canon to St. Mary's Cathedral, Limerick, vacant by the death of the Rev. Richard CROKER.



at Fort Elizabeth, County Limerick on 16 December 1839<sup>537</sup>. His wife was Marbella Catherine daughter of Rev John GRAVES of Fortwilliam, County Limerick. They were married by his brother-in-law Rev James William GRAVES at Ballingarry on 23 April 1810 by Limerick licence. The births of the following children were reported in the Limerick Gazette; on 20 January 1811 a daughter born at his father's seat Croom Castle, on 4 February 1812 a son born at his seat of Newboro' and on 11 June 1813 a son also born at Newborough. She died on 15 September 1863<sup>538</sup>. Their issue were:

- *Richard* who was born 2 February 1812 and obtained a BA from Trinity College Dublin in 1837. He obtained a premium in Hebrew in 1828<sup>539</sup>. He entered Holy Orders and became Rector of Croom. He was chaplain on HMS Winchester 1852-55. He was living in 1873. His first wife was Emma Henrietta daughter of Joseph LONGMORE of The Mythe Gloucestershire whom he married at Twekesbury in July 1841. They resided at St Helier's, Jersey. He divorced her in 1859<sup>540</sup>. His second marriage, on 11 September 1861<sup>541</sup> at St Gabriel's Pimlico, was to Caroline daughter of Thomas de Grenier de FONBLANQUE HBM's Consul General at Belgrade. Carloine was granddaughter of Sir Jonah BARRINGTON. *Richard* was Supretending Chaplain to the Industrial School Feltenham in 1861. His second wife died on 25 February 1898 at Palmier's Hotel, Hyères, France and probate was granted at London on 30 July 1898 to Lester Ramsay de FONBLANQUE Esq with effects of £889 3s 6d. By his first wife he had issue:
  - *Frederick L Augustus* who was born on 14 January 1847 in England. He was a Lieutenant in the Royal Marines and retired before 1873.
  - *Richard Charles* of St Helier who was born on 28 September 1849 and died 1 October 1862. He appears as Richard W in the 1851 Census.
  - *Emma Henrietta Agnes* who was born at Castle Coombe Wiltshire. She married on 31 October 1866 the Rev Charles John ROBINSON Vicar of Norton Canon, Herefordshire<sup>542</sup> and author of the article on the CROKERS in the Herald and Genealogist mentioned earlier. He died on 2 November 1898 at St Leonard-on-Sea. She proved the will of her uncle the Rev *James Guthrie* in 1904 when she was described as widow.

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<sup>537</sup>*Limeick Standard* — 17 December 1839 – Yesterday morning, at his residence, Fort Elizabeth, near Croom, the Rev John CROKER, one of the minor canons of the Cathedral, and Vicar of Clonelly and Clouneagh. He is deeply and deservedly regretted by his disconsolate family and numerous friends and was a kind father, fond husband and warm-hearted friend.

<sup>538</sup>*The Times* — 19 September 1863; National Archives – ADM 13/70/708

<sup>539</sup>*Limerick Evening post and Clare Sentinel* — 11 November 1828 – Mr. Richard CROKER, son of the Rev. J. CROKER, of Fort William, County Limerick, got the first Hebrew premiums, at the late examinations, in Trinity College Dublin.

<sup>540</sup>*The Times* 11 July 1859 p11 column c. Co-respondent C G F MALVINS a dentist in Jersey. In 1855 there was a male child born to the relationship between MALVINS and Mrs CROKER.

<sup>541</sup>*The Times* — 24 September 1861

<sup>542</sup>*The Times* — 3 November 1866 – On the 31st Oct, at Brailsford near Derby, by the rector, the Rev James G CROKER, assisted by the Rev Daniel CAPPER, of Lyston Court, Herefordshire and the Rev Sir C LEIGHTON, rector of Ellston, Ema H A CROKER, daughter of teh Rev Richard CROKER MA TCD, to the Rev Chas. J ROBINSON, vicar of Norton Cannon, Herefordshire

- *Laura Augusta Marbella* who married on 8 August 1861 at Feltenham Charles de Neufville LUCAS, Lt Col Royal Artillery and eldest son of Col Charles LUCAS, Commandant of the Royal Artillery.
- *Edith Lydia Josephine* who was born circa 1845 and married George Richard WESTMACOTT, Lt Col Bengal Staff Corps<sup>543</sup>.
- *John* of Carlow who married 12 September 1840 Henrietta Grace daughter of John MARKHAM of Abbey and Glenbanen, County Tipperary by a Dublin Licence. Henrietta Grace died 23 September 1904 aged 86 years and was buried at Saint Patrick Anglican Churchyard Powerscourt, Enniskerry, County Wicklow.
  - *Marbella* who died 11 May 1927 and was buried at Saint Patrick Anglican Churchyard Powerscourt, Enniskerry, County Wicklow. She seems to be the *Marbella*, aged 62, who was visiting her sister at Dublin in the 1911 census.
  - *Kathleen N* who married Richard M GORDON circa 1892. They were at 54 Shankill, Rathmichael, Dublin in the 1911 census. He was a non-practising barrister at the time. They were childless in 1911. She was aged 52 years in 1911.
  - *Grace H* who married EDWARDS who died before the 1911 census when she was recorded as a visitor to her sister.
  - *Alice* who was at St Mary's Road, Pembroke West Dublin for the 1911 census.
- *William Ryves* JP who was of Alston, County Limerick and married on 18 December 1855 at Monkstown, by Dublin licence Letitia Elizabeth, daughter of Rev Edward HARTIGAN rector of Castletown, County Tipperary<sup>544</sup>. He appears in the Landowners in Ireland 1876. He died on 5 September 1888 aged 73 and his will was proved by his widow. She died 30 January 1897 aged 86 when administration was granted to her daughter. He was buried in St Mary Limerick. She was buried at Kiltormer near Balinasloe.
  - *Edith Mabella* born 15 August 1857 and baptised at St Michael the Archangel, Dublin. She married on 22 November 1882 Colonel John Love VINCENT who died at Kilkee, county Clare on 16 September 1894<sup>545</sup>.
- *James Guthrie* born circa 1820 and obtained a BA Trinity College Dublin 1846. He was Rector of Brailsford, Derbyshire. He was ordained deacon at Salisbury Cathedral

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<sup>543</sup> *Allens Indian Mail* – 22 November 1866 – Westmacott - Croker. - At Christ Church, Kirkee, Oct. 15, G.R. Westmacott, Major, 2nd in command, 1st Cavalry Hyderabad Contingent, Captain Bengal Staff Corps, to Edith Lydia Josephine, youngest daughter of the Rev. Rich. Croker, Chaplain Royal Navy. [Families in British India Society database]

<sup>544</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 21 December 1855 – December 18, at Monkstown, William Ryves CROKER Esq, son of the late Rev John CROKER, of Fort William, to Letitia Elizabeth, daughter of the late Rev E HARTIGAN, rector of Castletown, county Tipperary

<sup>545</sup> *The Times* — 19 September 1894 – Colonel John Love VINCENT, late 5th Northumberland Fusiliers, died on Sunday at Kilkee, county Clare, of a fever contracted in India. Colonel VINCENT commanded the 2nd battalion of the 5th Fusiliers from February 1888, to 1892, during the Hazara Expedition of 1888, for which he was mentioned in dispatches and received the rank of brevet-colonel and a medal with clasp. He married in 1882 Edith, only child of the late Mr William R CROKER of Alston, county Limerick.

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on 18 March 1848<sup>546</sup> and appointed vicar of Shirley, Derbyshire in 1859<sup>547</sup>. He married on 6 April 1848 at Huntley, Gloucestershire, Emma daughter of Admiral James SLADE of Uley Lodge, Gloucestershire<sup>548</sup>. He married secondly in September quarter 1894 Adelaide JOWETT. Adelaide died in December quarter 1899. He was administrator of Arthur Augustus LONGMORE, Lt-Col in 1st Royal Lanark Militia, of Cross Park, Hamilton, Co. Lanark, North Britain, but late of 17 Colville-road, Bayswater, Middlesex, in 1881. *James Guthrie's* on 14 September 1904 at Guilford (Book 2a page 62) and his will was proved by his niece Emma Henrietta Agnes ROBINSON (nee CROKER) (see above).

- *Elizabeth Jane* who married on 6 May 1851, at Jersey, Captain Arthur Augustus LONGMORE of the 26th Regiment and brother to her sister-in-law<sup>549</sup>. She is the *Elizabeth J* who appears in the 1851 Census at St Helier Jersey with her mother *Marbella C*.
- *Marbella Catherine* who married on 16 September 1846<sup>550</sup> by a Dublin licence Robert LUCAS of Springfield House, Kings County son of Minchin LUCAS. She died on 7 January 1855 and was buried at Mount Jerome Cemetery
- *Catherine Anne* who married her sister's widower Robert LUCAS and Perhaps moved to Argyle Scotland then to Sussex. They had issue including following:
  - Robert Croker LUCAS born on 11 August 1859 and died on 13 December 1859 at Lochgilphead and buried at Mount Jerome Dublin
  - Richard N LUCAS born on 16 Mar 1861
  - Mabella Elizabeth Miriam LUCAS born on 14 November 1862

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<sup>546</sup>*Hampshire Telegraph and Sussex Chronicle etc* (Portsmouth, England), Saturday, 25 March, 1848.

<sup>547</sup>*The Derby Mercury* (Derby, England), Wednesday, 9 November, 1859

<sup>548</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 14 April 1848 – On the 6th inst, at Huntley Gloucestershire, the Rev James G CROKER, son of the late Rev John CROKER, of Ballinagard, county Limerick, to Emma, daughter of the late Admiral SLADE, of Uley

<sup>549</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 15 May 1851 – May 6, at Jersey, Arthur Augustus, son of Joseph LONGMORE, Esq, of Myrtle House, Gloucestershire, to Elizabeth Jane, daughter of the late Rev John CROKER, of Fort Elizabeth, county Limerick

<sup>550</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 21 September 1846 – On the 16th inst, at Monkstowen church, Robert LUCAS Esq of Castle Last, co Westmeath, to Marbella Catherine daughter of the late Rev John CROKER, of Fort Elizabeth, co Limerick

Marriage settlement Registry of Deeds 1846 Volume 17 Folio 150 dated 11 September 1846.

## Dublin IV

*William* fourth son of *John* of Ballynagarde was a solicitor in Dublin. He married Margaret O'BRIEN daughter of Colonel Christopher O'BRIEN of Ennistymon, County Clare at Ennis on 21 August 1794 by Killaloe marriage licence<sup>551</sup>. He acted a prosecutor for the revenue in county Clare in 1814<sup>552</sup>. He was described as living at Robuck Cottage, Taney, county Dublin, in 1816. He appears to have died before April 1825 when his widow and children are mentioned in an ejectment at the Ennis Sessions on Monday 4 April 1825<sup>553</sup>. They had issue:

- *John* born 16 July 1795. He was in the army joining the 48th Regiment as an Ensign 31 December 1812 and promoted to Lieutenant 4 February 1817. He served Assistant Engineer and Inspector of Public Works in New South Wales 1821 to 1823. There are many references to him in the papers of the Colonial Secretary<sup>554</sup>. His death at Madras as Captain 48th Regiment was reported in the Limerick Gazette on 14 May 1828.
- *James O'Brien* of Illawarra, NSW a Lieutenant in the Royal Navy. He arrived in Australia on the 'Othello' in 1834. He worked as Clerk to the Bench of Magistrates and other positions and was a Postmaster at Wollongong in 1835. He married Isabella REDDALL on 30 July 1835 at St Peter's, Campbelltown NSW<sup>555</sup>. She was the second daughter of Rev Thomas REDDALL, Senior Chaplain of St Peter's Campbelltown NSW and she died 31 May 1861 aged forty-seven in Tasmania. He was dismissed from his positions and found guilty of fraud in 1838 jailed for two years in the old Sydney jail (near Circular Quay). After getting out of gaol, *James* spent some time in Auckland, New Zealand where he seems to have operated a store<sup>556</sup>. Later he and Isabella moved to New Norfolk, Tasmania, where she was Matron of the Lunatic Asylum from 1845 to 1861. It appears James was relegated to looking after the pigs there. After Isabella died in 1861, James moved back to NSW with his family (youngest daughter Amelia had died aged 5 in New Norfolk). James died in Parramatta

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<sup>551</sup>Marriage Settlement, Registry of Deeds, Book 482 Page 424 Memorial 312464 see also Book 708 Page 370 Memorial 485105.

<sup>552</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 4 March 1814 – Several persons were prosecuted at the assizes of Ennis, by William CROKER, Esq, solicitor for the revenue for that district, for illegal distillation, and many fines imposed on parishes and town lands where unlicensed stills were seized

<sup>553</sup>County Clare Ejectment Book 1D 40 17.

<sup>554</sup>These are indexed and available in micro-form from the NSW Archives, Sydney.

<sup>555</sup>Malcolm R Sainty and Keith A Johnson *Index of Births, deaths and marriage notices in the Sydney Herald 18 April 1831 – 30 July 1842*, Sydney 1972.

See also *The Asiatic Journal* (London) 1 March 1836 – July 30. At Campbell Town, James O'Brien CROKER, Esq., to Isabella, second daughter of the Rev. Thomas Reddall

<sup>556</sup> *New Zealand Herald and Auckland Gazette* – 9 October 1841 – Notice to the Public. THE undersigned would not have published the Notice which appeared in the Auckland Herald of the 2nd and 6th of October, if he had not been satisfied that such an intimation to the public was required for his own protection ; and he again cautions the Public not to give credit to the representations of Mr\* John H. Thomson, as the undersigned will not in any way be answerable for any liabilities that may be contracted by that individual. I, the undersigned, also give notice, that the said John H. Thomson has no power whatever to dispose of goods in my Store, and that he has no authority whatever to receive any payment for any goods that may already be purchased there. JAMES O'BRIEN CROKER. Oct. 8th, 1841.

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in 1863. He was interred in the Reddall vault in St Peter's Campbelltown. Their issue were:

- *Thomas Reddall* born in Sydney in 1842. He died in the Albury district at Billabong while yarding cattle aged 20 on 27 February 1862. In the NSW death indexes he appears as Thomas son of Thomas and unknown RIDDLE.
- *Isabella Agnes* born in Sydney on 20 August 1843, baptised on 28 January 1844, Parish of St Lawrence, Sydney. She married James BRAY circa 1863 in the Campbelltown District. She died in 1919 and he in 1890. Their issue include:
  - Lucy Clara Rosalie BRAY who was born in the Tumult District in 1864. She married Edward G MARKHAM in 1884 in the Armidale District. Their issue all registered in the Tamworth District include:
    - ⊕ Isabel M MARKHAM born in 1885
    - ⊕ Kathleen A MARKHAM born in 1888
    - ⊕ Harold B MARKHAM born in 1893
    - ⊕ Gwendolyn MARKHAM born in 1894
  - Rowland Charles Reddal BRAY who was born in the Campbelltown District on 27 September 1865. He married Flora McDonald CAMPBELL in the Lismore District in 1891. She was a daughter of Alexander CAMPBELL who was a member of the New South Wales Parliament. Rowland seems to have had a career in the police and courts. Rowland died on 27 September 1950 and was buried in Rookwood Cemetery, Sydney. Their issue include:
    - ⊕ Unnamed girl born in 1892
    - ⊕ Amy C BRAY born in 1894
    - ⊕ Royston Charles BRAY born in 1896 and died in 1970
    - ⊕ Eric C BRAY born in 1897
    - ⊕ Flora BRAY born in 1898
  - Isabella A BRAY who was born in the Tweed River District in 1867
  - Harry Granville BRAY who was born in the Tweed River District in 1869. He married Edith M COOPER in 1913 in Sydney. He spent some years before his marriage in South Africa. He died in 1950.
  - Leslie James O'Brien BRAY who was born in the Tweed River District in 1871. [He may have been the Leslie T BRAY who married Sarah WILLIS in 1903 she appears to have died in 1913.] He married Nedda Sedley FUTTER in April 1923<sup>557</sup>. She was born in the Wagga Wagga District in 1894 daughter of Frederick and Gertrude Lillian FUTTER. She married secondly in 1937 to Charles M le Maistre WALKER and died in 1981. Leslie died on 15 December 1926.

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<sup>557</sup> See Appendix I for a very long newspaper report.

- *Richard William* born 12 December 1846 at Hobart Tasmania. He married firstly Ellen Jane WATSON and secondly Elizabeth Ellen SMITH in 1886 at Lismore NSW and died in Queensland on 20 October 1911. She died on 9 April 1911. His issue includes:
  - *Mary Isabella Margaret* born at Walgett NSW in 1879 and died in Queensland on 29 September 1900;
  - *Ada Elizabeth Reddall* who married Neville Thomas Pelham KEYS in Queensland on 10 June 1912. He was son of James KEYS and Margaret PELHAM, of Chatham, Kent, England. *Ada* was with her parents in Boorandella Farm, Texas, Queensland for the electoral roll of 1908. She died in 1960 (Qld Civil Reg C4222). He died in 1937 (Qld Civil Reg C1308).
    - ⊕ Richard Pelham KEYS born circa 1913 (Qld civil Registration reference C14619) and died in 1997. He married Edith Eva BOARDMAN on 29 April 1939 at St. James Church of England, Brisbane.
    - ⊕ Jean KEYS
    - ⊕ John Neville KEYS who died in 1945 (Qld Civil Reg S2941).
  - *Clara Ellen* who died in Queensland 21 January 1904.
- *Clara Julia* born on 22 April 1851 at New Norfolk Tasmania. She married 21 January 1875, Edmond Aubrey Templar PERY (6 January 1846 – 10 October 1924) half brother to the third Earl of Limerick and had issue five sons and three daughters. She died on 16 October 1901.
- *Amelia Elizabeth* born on 17 May 1855 New Norfolk, Tasmania, and died 18 October 1860.
- *Mary Caroline* born on 26 August 1857 New Norfolk, Tasmania, and died aged 21, Campbelltown, NSW.
- *Richard William* who was of Dunowen House, Clontkilty, county Cork, and unmarried when he died on 22 December 1877. Administration of his estate was granted to his sister *Catherine Margaret*.
- *Mary* who married at Taney church on 17 September 1816<sup>558</sup> Captain Edward GIBSON of 60th Rifles of Quermore Park, Lancashire, by a Dublin licence (see Burke's Commoners). They had issue.
- *Catherine Margaret* who married her cousin *William Roberts* son of Major *Henry* on 10 July 1839 (see Chapter 11).

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<sup>558</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 19 September 1816 – On Tuesday morning. At Taney church, Edward GIBSON Esq of Quermore Park, in the county of Lancaster, to Mary daughter of William CROKER Esq of Robuck Cottage. [There is a townland of Robuck in Taney parish, county Dublin.]

## Quartertown

Henry fourth son of *John III* of Ballynagarde was born in 1758. He served in the 49th Regiment of Foot and went on the half pay list attached to the 38th Regiment of Foot. He was described in an obituary as one of the oldest captains in the Army and one of the last surviving officers who fought in all the major battles in the first American war. He was made Captain 4 December 1779 and was Brigadier Major of Yeomanry from 1798 a position he held for thirty years as Major of Cork. The settlement for his marriage of 16 October 1782 to Harriet Jane DILLON was dated 4 April 1786<sup>559</sup>. She was the only daughter and heiress of Arthur DILLON<sup>560</sup> of Quartertown, near Mallow, County Cork by his wife Harriet ROBERTS<sup>561</sup>. She died 1 December 1838<sup>562</sup> aged 76 and Henry died 23 May 1836<sup>563</sup> aged 79 were buried at Rahan. They had the following issue:

- *John Dillon* (see below).
- A son who was killed in an accident at the mill at Quartertown on 5 September 1812 aged 14<sup>564</sup>.
- *Edward* who died circa May 1817 at Quartertown House aged 20<sup>565</sup>.
- *Richard William* who was born in January 1802 married on 8 March 1827 at Chatham, Caroline Elizabeth Newenham DEVONSHER fourth daughter of John Newman DEVONSHER<sup>566</sup> of Kilshannig House near Mallow, County Cork and Coranella

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<sup>559</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 368 Page 540 Memorial 250988.

<sup>560</sup>Son of John DILLON and his wife *Mary* daughter of *John II* of Ballynagarde (see section 8.3vii).

<sup>561</sup>Her death was reported in the *Freeman's Journal* of 26 November 1800 — At Mallow, Mrs DILLON, relict of Arthur Dillon of Quartertown Esq

<sup>562</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* – 5 Dec 1813 – In Mallow, on Friday, after a few hours' illness, Harriet Jane, widow of the late Henry Croker, Esq of Quartertown House, and sole heiress of the late Arthur Dillin, Esq.

<sup>563</sup> *Limerick Times* — 30 May 1836 – At his residence, Quartertown, co Cork, on the 23 inst, Henry CROKER, Esq, aged 78, brother of the late Edward CROKER of Ballyneguard, in this co, Esq, one of the last surviving officers who fought in the battles of the first American war and one of the oldest Capts of the army — having obtained that rank in 1779. He was appointed to the situation of Brigade Major of Yeomanry in the year 1798 which he held for thirty years and was also an old and upright Magistrate of the county Cork

<sup>564</sup>Diary of Mrs Catherine STAWELL part of the Grove-While Papers in the National Archives in Dublin.

*Limerick General Advertiser* — Friday, 11 May 1812 – Saturday last, a most melancholy accident happened at Quartertown, the seat of Henry CROKER Esq—His two youngest sons, one of them ten years of age, the other eight, went to play near a mill lately erected on the grounds, when, shocking to relate, the eldest going too near the wheel which was in motion, was drawn in and chrushed to poeces; the other providently escaped, as he drew the lifeless body of his brother on the bank, near the fatal spot

<sup>565</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 9 May 1817

<sup>566</sup> *Irish Ancestor* Vol XVI No 2 — John Newenham DEVONSHER, of Kilshannig who died 12 December 1801 at Kilshannig, he married on 1 May 1792 (at Ralhcooney) Cornelia, daughter of Capt. Courtland SCHUYLER of North America, by his wife Barbara, daughter of John GRAY of Cork (see *The Irish Ancestor*, 1975). *Limerick Chronicle* — 9 December 1801 –Last Saturday in Cork, after

SCHUYLER. He was Lieutenant in 60th Regiment of Foot and served in the East and West Indies prior to retiring on half pay 26 November 1830. He then joined the Revenue Police with the rank of Lieutenant and served at Ballyconnell, county Cavan. He died on 17 May 1850. His death notice in the Cork Examiner of 24 May 1850 mentions him leaving a widow and five children.

- *George* buried 7 February 1795
  - *William Roberts* (see section 11.3).
  - *Eyre Coote* (see section 11.4).
  - *Harriet Mary* who was born 1784 and married Charles Brodrick GARDE of Ballyderris, County Cork on 3 March 1808 at Kilshannig<sup>567</sup>. The birth of a daughter on 5 June 1810 at her father's seat was reported in the *Limerick General Advertiser*. Her death was reported in the *Limerick Chronicle* on 23 April 1834.
    - Thomas William GARDE born in 1809. He married firstly Eliza SULLIVAN. In March 1837. She was born circa 1811 and died circa 1853. He married secondly Sophia COLLES in 1852. He was in holy orders and died 20 December 1878.
      - Thomas William GARDE who died in Queensland.
      - Horace Townsend Newman GARDE who died in Queensland.
      - William J GARDE who died in Queensland.
      - Charles Brodrick GARDE
      - Ann GARDE
      - Harriet Mary GARDE
      - Sarah GARDE
- By his second wife he had:
- Henry Croker GARDE who was a medical doctor and came to Maryborough, Queensland<sup>568</sup>.
  - Harriet Jane GARDE the only daughter who married circa 3 August 1830 at Killeagh church, county Cork<sup>569</sup>, Thomas Christopher COLE (b 14 February 1807) JP of Woodview, County Cork. She died on 21 March 1892 and he on 20 January 1877. Their issue were:
    - John Harding COLE (Rev) who was born 18 September 1831.

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a few hours of illness, John Newenham DEVONSHIRE, of Kilshannon, co. Cork, Esq. *Limerick General Advertiser* — 28 April 1820 – At Gretta Green, John Arnold WALLINGER Esq to Harriet, eldest daughter of the late John Newenham DEVONSHIRE Esq of Kilscomick, co Cork.

<sup>567</sup> Cork Merchantile Chronicle — 7 March 1808 – On Thursday last, at Newberry Church, near Mallow, by the Rev. Richard CROKER, Charles GARDE, Esq. of Ballindenis, to Miss CROKER, eldest daughter of Henry CROKER, Esq. of Quartertown.

<sup>568</sup> *Dr Henry Croker Garde : Maryborough medico*, Pauline Garde (2020)

<sup>569</sup> *Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel* — 3 August 1830



- Charles Christopher COLE who was born 15 May 1844 and became a Captain in the 80th Regiment. He died 26 August 1888 in Queensland as a result of an accident.
- Christopher Dillon Croker COLE MD who was born on 17 June 1846.
- Harriette Mary COLE
- Eliza Sarah Emily COLE who married on 8 August 1882 the Very Rev Thomas Brisbane WARREN AM dean of York.
- *Sarah Arabella* born 1785 and died unmarried 1 March 1868. She received a Compassionate Allowance of £20 in 1865/6<sup>570</sup>.
- *Ellan or Elizabeth* the third daughter who married firstly at Christ Church Cork Capt John DE ST AURIN of the 20th Regiment on 15 January 1812 a Cork and Ross licence. He was killed in France on 22 March 1814<sup>571</sup>. She married secondly at Kilsharnack church, near Mallow circa 12 October 1819 Robert DAVIES, Esq MD, of Mallow<sup>572</sup>. She was his second wife having previously married Harriet who died 19 July 1812. She died at Lewisham on 28 February 1874. Robert died 14 April 1827 aged 46<sup>573</sup>.
  - A daughter DE ST AURIN born in October 1812<sup>574</sup>.
- *Charity Abigail* born in 1807 and married Laurence Beresford MOLLOY of Galway 8 October 1836 at Mourne Abbey, County Cork.

*John Dillon* the eldest son was born in 1787 and of Kilvealaton, County Cork in June 1823 but later of Quarters town. He was made an ensign in the 89<sup>th</sup> Regiment on 5 May 1810<sup>575</sup>. He married Elizabeth elder daughter of William ROBERTS of Union Island, County Cork on 28 May 1811 at St Finbarr's Cork, by Cork and Ross licence. He appears in Pigot & Co's 1824 Directory as a miller in Tallow, county Cork, with address Quarters town. An attempt was made to burn some of his property in 1824<sup>576</sup> and successfully<sup>577</sup>. The mills were burnt in

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<sup>570</sup> National Archives WO23/114

<sup>571</sup> Diary of Mrs Catherine STAWELL part of the Grove-While Papers in the National Archives in Dublin.

<sup>572</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 12 October 1819

<sup>573</sup> Horace E Jones, The descendants of the Very Rev Rowland Davies, Irish Genealogist Vol 3 No 11 pp 424–438

<sup>574</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — Friday, 30 October 1812 – On Saturday last, at his house in Henry-street, the lady of J DE ST AURIN, Esq, of the 20<sup>th</sup> regiment, of a daughter

<sup>575</sup> *Limerick Gazette* – Tuesday 15 May 1810 – 89<sup>th</sup> Ditto [Regt] – Lient-col. Robt. SEWELL, from the 48<sup>th</sup> foot, to be lieutenant-colonel, without purchase; Ensign Richard WALL to be lieut. without purchase, vice ROSE promoted; J. Dillon Croker, gent. to be ensign vice WALL.

He resigned before taking up the commission: *Limerick Gazette* - Friday 01 March 1811

<sup>576</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 14 February 1824 – On Monday night or early Tuesday morning, an attempt was made to burn a range of houses belonging to John Dillon CROKER, Esq. of Quarters town near Mallow; they were set fire to in five or six places, and were it not that fortunately an inhabitant of one of the was up, the whole would, in all probability, have been consumed. No doubt can exist that there was a malicious intention to burn these houses, for under the thatch of several of them tow was found, obviously placed there for the purpose of destruction.

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1825<sup>578</sup>. He became a Brigadier Major of Yeomanry after his father in 1831<sup>579</sup>. He was recorded as a landowner in Cork county in 1876. W R LE FANU describes him as very talkative<sup>580</sup>. *John Dillon* died on 14 June 1858<sup>581</sup> and was buried at Lavenham. They had issue:

- daughter born on 8 March 1812<sup>582</sup>;
- daughter born on 26 September 1813<sup>583</sup>;
- *Eliza Letitia* who died on 23 March 1864 at Levenham.
- *Henry Dillon* who was born in 1814. He seems to have an extramarital child with Mary FOLEY in 1840 in Dublin and then he married Harriet COCK (COX) daughter of William COCK of Broadstairs, Kent, on 31 October 1849<sup>584</sup> in St Peter's, Dublin by Dublin licence giving his condition as bachelor. She was under 21 years at the marriage. His occupation was given as surgeon and justice of the peace at his marriage. He migrated to Melbourne, Australia where he died in 1887 aged 72. She died there age 32 in 1863. His issue include:
  - *James Dillon* born circa 1840 and died in Sydney on 1 January 1906<sup>585</sup>. He married Hannah WARD in 1870. Their children include:

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<sup>577</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 6 March 1824 – On Wednesday night at an early hour of 10 o'clock, a number of dwelling houses, the property of J, Dillon CROKER Esq. were set on fire and totally consumed, on the ends of Upper Quarters town, near Mallow.

<sup>578</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 9 February 1825 – The Mills of Quarters town, the property of John Dillon CROKER, Esq. within a short distance of Mallow, were at an early hour on Sunday morning burned to the ground. It will be recollected that about two years ago, on the same day, and at the same hour, they were burned by some atrocious incendiaries: and we have our apprehensions that when an investigation which is called for will take place before the Magistrates, it will appear to have its origin in similar motives.

*Limerick Chronicle* — 12 February 1825 – The Mills of Mr. CROKER, near Mallow, which were burned on Sunday, it appears were caused by a snuff of candle falling on the inflammable dust in the shelling room. The concerns, we are glad to find for the respectable proprietor, were insured for £2000.

<sup>579</sup> National Archives – CSO/RP/1831/286

<sup>580</sup> W R LeFanu *Seventy Years of Irish Life* Edward Arnold New York 1896

<sup>581</sup> *The Times* — 16 June 1858 – On the 14th inst, at Lavenham Rectory, Suffolk, John Dillon CROKER Esq Father of the Rector, aged 70 [An almost identical notice appeared in the *Freeman's Journal* 18 June]

<sup>582</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* 13 March 1812 – Sunday last at her father's house at Union Island county Cork, the lady of John Dillon CROKER of a daughter

<sup>583</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* 1 October 1813 – Saturday last at her father's house at Union Island county Cork, the lady of John Dillon CROKER of a daughter

<sup>584</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 3 November 1849 – October 31, in St Peter's church, Henry Dillon, eldest son of John Dillon CROKER Esq of Quarters town, county Cork, to Harriet, third daughter of William COCK Esq of Broadstairs, Kent [see also the civil registration record at [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage\\_returns/marriages\\_1849/09368/5392883.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1849/09368/5392883.pdf)]

<sup>585</sup> Society of Australian Genealogists *Waverley Cemetery NSW Inscriptions* Nos 43837 & 44993 – James Dillon CROKER aged 66 father of James Joseph CROKER [d 19 April 1938]

- Frederick W born 1871 and died 1875.
- Laura Louisa born 1874 and Married Rupert D HATCH in 1900.
- James Joseph born 1876 and married Margaret WALSH in 1902. He died in 1838.
- Henry Dillon born 1877 and died 1879.
- Isabel born 1879 and married James P MCATEER in 1900.
- *John* born in Victoria in 1854.
- *Elizabeth* born in Victoria in 1855 and died there in 1884.

*Henry Dillon* married secondly Fanny (nee HODGSON) EVERSHED widow on 1 August 1865 at Hobart, Tasmania. He was described as Doctor CROCKER in the *Mercury* entry for their marriage. She was a daughter of Edmond HODGSON and was born in Hobart. She died in 1880 aged 49 years.

- *William Roberts* who was born on 26 December 1816 at Union Island<sup>586</sup>. He was admitted pensioner at Caius College Cambridge 18 November 1834. He was admitted BA (9th wrangler) in 1839. He was admitted to Lincoln's Inn London 12 April 1839. He was elected Fellow of Caius College but died before taking up the position on 17 August 1841 aged 23<sup>587</sup>.
- *Joseph Morrison* who was born in 1819. He was admitted pensioner at Caius College Cambridge 10 June 1836. He was admitted BA (8th wrangler) in 1840. A mathematics lecturer for many years he was a Fellow of Caius 1841–56 and Praelector (1845) and Dean (1849–51) there. In addition, he was ordained a deacon at Ely in 1846 and priest in 1849. He was rector of Lavenham Suffolk 1855–91 and rural dean of Sudbury 1865–73. He was a humorous teller of Irish stories and most genial companion. He married Phoebe Springall THOMPSON. He died at Lavenham 25 January 1891. She died on 8 December 1892 and is buried at Lavenham with her husband.
- *John Michael* who was baptised at Kilshannig, County Cork 6 August 1820. He died at Norwich on 29 May 1879 and was buried at Lavenham. Provision was made for him in a deed dated June 1849<sup>588</sup>. His wife was Anna.
- *Arthur St John* who was born 24 June at Kilvealaton and baptised 30 June 1822 at Kilshannig. He was admitted pensioner at Caius College Cambridge 27 May 1842. He was admitted BA in 1846. He also was admitted to that degree at Trinity College Dublin in 1847. He died at his father's estate in County Kerry 17 June 1852.
- *Fanny Arabella* (C) who was aged 49 years and at Lavenham with her brother for the 1881 census. She died at Lavenham on 14 April 1884.
- *Michael George* born 10 December 1827 at Quartertown Lodge<sup>589</sup>. He immigrated to Australia in 1852 along with his brother *Henry Dillon*. He married on 9 May 1867 at

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<sup>586</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* 31 December 1816 – On Thursday at Union Island, near Cork, the lady of J Dillon CROKER Esq of a son

<sup>587</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 26 August 1841 – On the 17th inst, at Cove, William Roberts CROKER Esq Fellow of Caius College Cambridge and second son of John D CROKER Esq of Quartertown House

<sup>588</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 1849 No 11 Folio 97.

Daylesford, Eliza BUTCHER (previously SKELLORN) daughter of Matthew BUTCHER and Mary COX. Eliza married Henry Lees SKELLORN on 8 December 1852. Henry divorced her in 1867 when *Michael George* was named as co-respondent. *Michael George* was a lodger in the SKELLORN home in Melbourne during 1855. She died in 1898 aged 65.

- *Fredrick George* who was baptised at Field of Mars; Marsfield; Ryde in 1855 and died in 1918 aged 63 at Heidelberg, Melbourne.
- *Henry* born 1857 and died 1862 at Bombala.
- *John* who was born on 18 June 1859 at Bombala NSW. He died on 7 January 1944 aged 84 at Middle Park, Victoria. He married firstly on 12 March 1884 at Ararat, Victoria, Grace WILSON (born on 6 August 1860 at Ararat and died on 22 July 1898 at Charlton). She was a daughter of William WILSON (1834 – 1894) and Catherine URQUART (1830 – 1905). He married secondly in 1914 Margaret Middleton DIXON. The issue from his first marriage were:
  - *Eliza Gordon* who was born in 1885 and married Walter Roy MCBEAN in 1910.
  - *William George Arthur* who was born in 1886.
  - *John Rowland* who was born on 8 March 1893 at Charlton, Victoria. He married firstly Margaret Ellen GRACE (b23 March 1895, Williamstown Victoria, – 23 October 1945, Port Melbourne) daughter of Thomas Bernard GRACE (1863 - 1922) and Hanora DOWNEY (1859 – 1927). He married secondly Anne DIKIE in 1946 but had no issue from this marriage.
- *Eliza* born circa 1864 and died
- William born at Bombala, NSW circa 1865. He married Harriet Mary SYDENHAM in 1888 in Victoria. She was a daughter of Charles and Harriet SYDENHAM.
  - Michael George
- *Harriet Mary* who married the Rev Andrew BECK on 9 August 1864 at Lavenham. She died a widow on 23 April 1915 at Leamington Spa. Their children included:
  - Mary Josephine BECK

*William Roberts* the fourth son was born in 1805 and married his cousin, *Catherine Margaret* younger daughter of *William* attorney of Common Pleas Dublin on 20 July 1839<sup>589</sup>. He was a Lieutenant in the Revenue Police. She died on 20 July 1879 aged 70 in Dublin. He died on 18 May 1850 leaving issue:

- *Isabella Florence* who married at Kilmainham, Rev George Fitzgerald RUSSELL, MA on 8 April 1880. He was a son of George RUSSELL.

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<sup>589</sup>Diary of Mrs Catherine STAWELL part of the Grove-White Papers in the National Archives in Dublin.

<sup>590</sup>*Limerick Standard* — 9 August 1839 – In Oranmore church, William CROKER Esq of Quarters town, co Cork, to Catherine youngest daughter of the late William CROKER Esq of Dublin and niece of Lt Gen O'BRIEN.

- *Henry William* who was born on 10 March 1843 at Belturbet<sup>591</sup> and married on 19 June 1873 at Leeson Park, Dublin, Charlotte Elizabeth, daughter of Blakney GUBBINS of Fort Louis, County Sligo and Charlotte Mary GIBSON. He died 19 June 1902 leaving four sons and three daughters. She died on 15 December 1931.
  - Charlotte Elizabeth who died on 31 August 1902.
  - Blakeney who died on 26 March 1904.
  - Kathleen Emily who died on 11 July 1905.
  - Richard Arthur who died 19 September 1922.
  - William Henry who died on 1 March 1933 and was buried in Switzerland.
  - Florence Margare who died on 24 February 1853.
- *Edward James O'Brien* who was born on 16 April 1847. He was Irish traffic manager for the Great Western Railway of Ireland and lived at Gweebarra, Palmerston Road, Dublin. He married on 7 October 1880 Henrietta Emily daughter of William ODLUM of Meelick, Maryborough, Queens Co. He died on 10 January 1921 and his widow on 13 February 1930. They had six sons and two daughters. Three of their children were living with them at the 1911 census at
  - *Crofton* aged 23 in 1911.
  - *George Fitzgerald* born 1885
  - *William Penefather* born 1889 and aged 21 in 1911.
  - *Lancelot H* aged 16 in 1911.

*Eyre Coote* the fifth and youngest son of Henry of Quartertown was born 1 May 1806. He had a daughter who was baptised at Ballyhay, County Cork 9 February 1825. He married Frances Laura fourth daughter of John WELSTED of Ballywalter, County Cork and Bridget HAWKES in November 1827 by Cork and Ross licence<sup>592</sup>. Bridget was the daughter of John HAWKES of Sermount, County Cork. He was not able to preserve what fortune he was given and migrated to New York on the *Henry Clay* arriving there in 1846. He served some time in the Army of the US where he gained skills as horse veterinary. He was able to make a living as a horse surgeon in New York. One newspaper report at the time of his son's death said that he was a civil engineer and captain in General Daniel Edgar SICKLES's division in the American Civil War<sup>593</sup>. He appears to have been living in California in 1872<sup>594</sup>. He died on 23 December 1881. She died on 9 August 1894<sup>595</sup> at Quarantine, Stratten Island. Their issue were:

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<sup>591</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 25 March 1843 — At Balturbet, the lady of William Roberts CROKER Esq Lieutenant in the Revenue Police, of a son

<sup>592</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 1 December 1827 — At St Nicholas's Church, Cork, by the Rev. Robert O'CALLGHAN, Eyre Coote CROKER, Esq. son of Brigade Major CROKER, of Quartertown House, to Frances Laura, daughter of the late John WELSTEAD, of Ballywater, Esq.

<sup>593</sup> *New York Times* — 1 May 1822

<sup>594</sup> Jim W. Faulkinbury 1996 *Foreign-Born Voters of California in 1872* index published on the Internet.

<sup>595</sup> *New York Times* — 10 August 1894 — 9 August, Children mentioned were a daughter married to Dr William T JENKINS, of Quarantine, San Francisco; son George S CROKER of Quarantine, San

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- *Mary Ann* who was baptised at Mallow on 2 May 1828. (In the register she is recorded as the reputed child of Eyre Coote.)
- *Henry* who was baptised at Mallow on 7 September 1828. He married Elizabeth Mary ROYSE daughter of Thomas ROYSE of Nantenan, County Limerick, on 28 June 1856. She was buried at Askeaton aged 58 on 30 June 1883. She was probably related (see earlier). He married secondly on 20 December 1884 Mary CURTIS daughter of the late Henry W CURTIS JP. He died 29 October 1914<sup>596</sup>.
- *John Welsted* who was baptised at Mallow on 6 September 1829<sup>597</sup> and buried on 14 September 1829.
- *George Sandes* who was born at Erin Cottage<sup>598</sup> and baptised at Mallow on 28 November 1830.
- *Harriet Jane* who was baptised at Kilshannig near Mallow on 26 February 1832. She married Francis MCANNA on 4 May 1853 and was mentioned in her mother's death notice in 1894.
- *John Welsted* who was baptised at Mallow on 18 August 1833 and whose birth was reported in the Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel of 18 August 1833.
- *Mary* who was baptised at Mallow on 24 September 1834. Perhaps the Mrs MONTAGUE mentioned in her mother's death notice.
- *Edward* who was baptised on 12 May 1836 and married Adelaide FRANKLIN and had issue:
  - *Edward Frank* who was born on 18 June 1863. He was fire chief of New York from 1899 to 1911 and died on 7 February 1951 aged 87 at Lindenhurst, Long Island. He was survived by his widow Ella (nee KENNEDY) and son Robert of New York<sup>599</sup>.
  - *Richard*. He died aged 38 on 6 April 1907 leaving two sons<sup>600</sup>. His only daughter Florence died a week earlier than her father.
  - *Adelaide*.
- *Frances* baptised 11 November 1837 at Carngamteary, County Cork.

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Francisco; Richard W CROKER; Mrs WARREN of Great Neck, Long Island; Mrs Harriett MCANANA of New York; and Mrs MONTAHUE of San Francisco.

11 August 1894 – Report on delayed burial at Woodlawn in a family vault.

<sup>596</sup> Civi registration records for Ireland

[https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1914/05285/4468686.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1914/05285/4468686.pdf)

<sup>597</sup> *Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel* — 8 September 1829 – At Erin Cottage, the lady of Eyre Coote CROKER, Esq of a son

<sup>598</sup> *Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel* — 3 December 1830 – At Erin Cottage, the lady of Eyre Coote CROKER, Esq of a son

<sup>599</sup> *New York Times* — 24 February 1951

<sup>600</sup> *New York Times* — 7 April 1907

- *Richard Welsted* born at Clonakilty, County Cork 23 November 1841. He later became renowned as "Boss" CROKER head of Tammany Hall, New York. There are at least two biographies published<sup>601</sup>. He returned to live in Dublin in 1908. He also gained notoriety as a race horse owner. In 1907, his horse, Orby, won the Epsom Derby, the Baldoyle Plate and Irish Derby. Between 1907 and 2001 only 13 horses completed the Epsom and Irish Derby double. *Richard* firstly married Elizabeth daughter of Samuel FRASER of Milford, Pennsylvania, on 1 November 1873. She died in Austria on 6 September 1914. They were separated around 1900. Richard married secondly Bula Perton EDMONDSON on 26 November 1914. She was involved in a law suit in 1929<sup>602</sup> and died in March 1957. He died 29 April 1922 in London and was buried at Glencairn but later re-intered at Kilgobbin Cemetery<sup>603</sup> in a reconstructed monument. He is buried with his housekeeper and another purported mistress Stella BOWMAN. In his will he left property in Florida to his second wife. His children successfully contested the will. He had nine children by his first wife four of whom were alive in 1922:
  - *Richard jr* born circa 1877 and appears in the 1880 US census.
  - *Frank H* born in 1878 and died 22 January 1905 in an accident while driving a racing car at ninety miles an hour along a beach near Ormond in Florida. See the *New York Times* 22 and 23 January and 4 February 1905.
  - *Joseph* born in January 1880 and appears in the 1880 US census. He died before his father.
  - *Herbert* who died from a suspected opium overdose on 12 May 1905 on a train to Santa Fe<sup>604</sup>.
  - *Howard V* who was born 5 April 1882. He married Gertrude WHITE. He was of Cedarhurst, Long Island when he died in in January 1956<sup>605</sup>. They had 11 children including:
    - *Richard* who died before 2003. He had no male issue.
    - *Gertrude* who died before 2003.
    - *Elizabeth* who was born at Armonk, NY in 1920 and died in 2001. She married in 1943 George J AUER, Jr who died before 2003. They lived at Mount Vernon, NY. They have two sons:

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<sup>601</sup> *Richard Croker* by Alfred Henry LEWIS, 1901 and *The Master of Manhattan (Richard Croker)* by Theodore Lothrop STODDARD, 1931.

<sup>602</sup> *The Oklahoma Almanac, 1930* — Important events of the year in Oklahoma, 1929. Printed by The Oklahoma Publishing company. — 23 August, Mrs. Beulah CROKER, Indian, widow of the late Tammany cheiftain, given verdict for \$1,670,000 representing purchase price and interest on lands worth \$7,000,000 which CROKER owned at Palm Beach. She formerly was Beulah EDMONTON of Pryor, Oklahoma.

<sup>603</sup> Vivien Igoe, *Dublin burial grounds & graveyards*, Wolfhound Press, Dublin, 2001.

<sup>604</sup> *New York Times* — 13 May 1905

<sup>605</sup> *New York Times* — 9 January 1856 – obituary.

- *Herbert* who died in 1929 at White Plains.
- *Howard* of White Plains who was alive in 2011.
- *Catherine* who died in 2007.
- *Frank* who died in 2009.
- Two other children who died young.
- *Florence Genevieve* who married Major C J MORRIS of London.
- *Ethel* who married John BREEN.
- *May* who predeceased her father.
- another who predeceased their father.
- *Eliza Roberts* married in 1880 Dr. William T. JENKINS who was born in Holy Springs, Mississippi, in 1855 and educated in the University of Mississippi. He was Health Officer for the port New York, Health Commissioner for New York and member of the New York State Board of Health. He died on 25 June 1921<sup>606</sup>.
  - Dr. William C JENKINS
  - A daughter who married James Blair LANARD of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.
- *Henrietta Victoria* who was baptised on 16 May 1839 and married 6 November 1857 Samuel WARREN of Blackrock Dublin. They lived on Long Island. She died in 1901 and he in 1902.

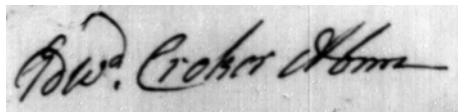
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<sup>606</sup> *New York Times* — 26 June 1921. – obituary.



## Kilmallock and Newcastle NSW

The person called Edward Abraham CROKER signed himself as Edward CROKER Abraham in the Vestry Book of the Kilmallock Union<sup>607</sup> and as the witness to a deed with involving John COOTE of Rathnasare, county Limerick. This indicates that he was a son of Abraham CROKER<sup>608</sup>.



*Edward Abraham* was a grocer/merchant in Limerick city and Kilmallock. He seems to have initiated a suit against a cousin, *Edward* lodging a bill in Court of Exchequer on 16 March 1781. He married twice. He may have been apprenticed to Richard COOTE grocer of The Parade in Limerick City<sup>609</sup>. *Edward Abraham* was made a freeman of Limerick 11 October 1784. He moved to Kilmallock about the time of his second marriage. His first marriage was to .. SWAN sister of Major SWAN<sup>610</sup>. He married secondly, on 10 June 1784, Deborah COOTE daughter of Thomas COOTE of Kilfinane and niece of General Sir Eyre COOTE and Rt Rev Charles COOTE DD Dean of Kilfenora<sup>611</sup>. *Edward Abraham* was appointed Church Warden for the Union of Kilmallock for 1787 at a vestry on 9 April 1787. He was made deputy Sovereign of Kilmallock for the year beginning October 1796<sup>612</sup> and appears such in the 1797 and 1798 Dublin Directories. Deborah had died by 1812 when his son made a lease of some of the land from the settlement of Edward Abraham's 1784 marriage<sup>613</sup>. There are two entries in the index for prerogative grants in 1813 for *Edward* of Kilmallock, one has the reference area missing and the other is for an administration. The first may have been to his wife and the second to his son. His children by his first wife were:

- *Elizabeth* who married Capt Thomas LEE or LEES on 20 January 1796 at St Nicholas's church Cork<sup>614</sup>.
- *Thomas Swan* (see below); and

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<sup>607</sup> This signature from 1788 is published with the permission of the National Library of Ireland and the representative Church Body Library.

<sup>608</sup> See Nick Reddan, If the name Fitz or not, a father is evident, *Irish Genealogist* (forthcoming).

<sup>609</sup> *Limerick Directory 1769*, at the Irish Genealogical Society London. He is also probably the Richard COOTES (sic) storekeeper who was made freeman of Limerick on 7 October 1754.

<sup>610</sup> William Bellingham SWAN Assistant Town Major for Dublin c1798-1830. Inspector General of Excise and Licences 1817 (*Treble Almanack*). He was a son of William SWAN of Kilreeske and Dublin by his second wife Jane LEE. Jane married Walter CHAMBERLAIN by a Killaloe marriage licence in 1749. William Bellingham SWAN signed the Kilfinane Vestry Book in 1786 indicating he was living there at the time. It is likely that he married Grace COOTE at Kilfinane in the early or mid 1780s. See also Appendix G the memorandum of William Swan CROKER.

<sup>611</sup> *Hibernian Chronicle* — 14 June 1784.

<sup>612</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 5 October 1796 – Monday Charles Silver OLIVER, Esq; was sworn Sovereign, and Edward A. CROKER, Esq; Duputy Sovereign of Kilmallock, for the ensuing year.

<sup>613</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 642 Page 320 Memorial 443742 dated 16 February 1812.

<sup>614</sup> *Cork Gazette and General Advertizer* — 20 January 1796 – This morning at St Nicholas's church, Capt LEE to Miss Eliza CROKER, a most beautiful and accomplished young lady possessed of every requisite to ensure the matrimonial state permanently happy.

- *Margaret* who married Joseph SMITH circa 8 May 1807 by a Dublin licence. He was of Richmond and she was of St Thomas's parish for the licence. William Bellingham SWAN acted as trustee in this marriage settlement<sup>615</sup>. Her mother may have been Deborah COOTE as William Bellingham SWAN's wife was Grace COOTE sister of Deborah COOTE who married Edward Abraham. *Margaret* died circa 14 August 1836<sup>616</sup>.
  - ?Anne Eliza SMITH baptised 28 September 1807 at St George Dublin
  - ?Edward SMITH baptised 17 Dec 1809 at St Mary Dublin

*Thomas Swan*, he entered the Revenue Service as a Cadet on 20 August 1794<sup>617</sup>, and served 43 years in the Custom House Dublin<sup>618</sup>. His salary in 1810 was £120 per annum<sup>619</sup> and in 1825 was £1,100 per annum. He was jailed twice for debts, once from 22 August 1814 to 24 September 1814 for an exchequer writ and once for a King's Bench writ of £10-11-8 from R BARKER when he was sent to the Four Courts Masshalsea on 30 June 1819. He appears in a list of insolvent debtors in 1827<sup>620</sup>. He registered his freehold for Tankerville in 1831 with value £10. His first wife was Mary WILSON whom he married 7 March 1806<sup>621</sup> at St Mary's, Dublin. She appears to have been the daughter or brother of Edward WILSON, haberdasher. The Edward WILSON and Mary, after he died, ran a haberdashery business from 28 Moore Street, Dublin. Mary also had a brother John WILSON who married circa 19 May 1810 Margaret TWIGG (nee LE BAS) the daughter of Peter LE BAS of Richmond. John and Margaret's daughter Anne married Arthur Gerald GEOGHEGAN a poet and customs officer at Mallow circa 29 January 1847. There also appears to be a connection with Edward WILSON of New Street, Chief Peace Officer for Workhouse Division probably through William Bellingham SWAN. He may be the Major Edward WILSON Chief of Police at Thurles<sup>622</sup>. Mary died aged 34 in August 1825 and was buried at St Mary's Dublin

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<sup>615</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 591 Page 103 Memorial 400965.

<sup>616</sup>*Limerick Times* — 15 August 1836 – At Richmond, Margaret, widow of the late Joseph SMITH, Esq and daughter of the late Edward Abraham CROKER, Esq of Kilmallock. A similar notice appeared in the *Freeman's Journal* on 14 August 1836.

<sup>617</sup>PRO Kew Cust 20.

<sup>618</sup>His son's Memorandum at Appendix E.

<sup>619</sup>Account of Offices and Emoluments under Crown in 1783 and 1810, relating to Department of Inland Excise and Taxes in Ireland; British Parliamentary Papers, Sessional Papers 1810-11 Vol iv Paper (126) p 1063.

<sup>620</sup>*Dublin Mercantile Advertiser, and Weekly Price Current* – 5 February 1827 – to be heard ... Feb 22 Thomas Swan CROKER, of Clonliffe, co Dublin. Gent.

<sup>621</sup>In the register and in the papers of the day the marriage is recorded as between Thomas Croker SWAN and Mary WILSON. Confusion seems to have come about due an unusual way of writing middle names after the family name practiced in Limerick in the late 18<sup>th</sup> and early 19<sup>th</sup> century. See Registry of Deeds, Book 642 Page 320 Memorial 443742, the Vestry Book of Kilmallock Union and the list of Freemen of Limerick in *North Munster Antiquarian Journal* 4(1945) pp103–30.

<sup>622</sup>*Pigot and Co.'s City of Dublin Hibernian Provincial Directory* 1824 p311 and *Limerick General Advertiser* — 29 August 1820 – On Thursday, by the Rev Richard LLOYD, at Kilkeedy church, Edward WILSON Esq eldest son of Major WILSON, commanding the Police in the Barony of Kilnamanagh, county Tipperary, to Isobella, daughter of the late Thomas Goodrich PEACOCK of Fort Etne in this county.

on 26 August 1825. *Thomas Swan* married Anne Jane WOLFE by Dublin licence with a marriage settlement was dated 17 June 1826<sup>623</sup>. She was the eldest daughter of Philpot Rogerson WOLFE (d 21 December 1821) of Belcamp Cottage, Balbriggan, County Dublin, Secretary to the Board of Works, Inspector-general of Barracks in Ireland and formerly Lieutenant in the 100th Regiment; and Martha THOMPSON. Although *Thomas Swan* appears in Samuel Lewis's 1837 Topographical Dictionary of Ireland as having a seat Tankerville<sup>624</sup> in Balbriggan, County and in a deed he is said to have lived at Tankerville Cottage, Balbriggan. In a thank you advertisement that appeared in the *The Derby Mercury*, Derby on 3 June 1835 his address is given as Tankerville. A William CROKER also signed this thank you and is likely to be *Thomas Swan's* son *William Swan*. Anne Jane WOLFE was the granddaughter of Jane MATHEWS of Bonnertown, county Kilkenny. She was described as widow of Belcamp Cottage in 1838 and 1840, and appears at that address in the 1877 Dublin Directory. She was of Dublin when she died on 28 December 1878<sup>625</sup>. He died 26 January 1837 while resident in Great Carter Lane, near St Paul's London, and he was buried at St Mary Islington on 6 February 1837. Some of the papers associated with the sale of Clonliffe Parade to John GREENE solicitor are now in the National Archives<sup>626</sup> and the Registry of Deeds. He left an only one surviving child by his first wife Mary:

*William Swan*, born in the City of Dublin in September 1810 or 1812. He followed his father into the Revenue Service and was stationed at Drogheda for seven years<sup>627</sup>. In 1840 he emigrated to Australia arriving on 5 October 1840 in Sydney on the *Champion*. On his immigration documents he described himself as farm overseer. He lived the remainder of his life at Newcastle, New South Wales where he is variously described as settler and farmer. He married Eliza or Elizabeth WILSON in 1835 and had a large family of whom the first three were born in Ireland. *William Swan* was convicted for an assault on Elizabeth Parker and fined 10 shillings and 20 shillings 8 pence at the Newcastle Police Court on 18 December 1883<sup>628</sup>. One of their descendants is Olympic gold medallist Norma CROKER. *William Swan* died 10 March 1888 and *Eliza* 30 August the preceding year. *William Swan* and *Eliza* had the following issue:

- *Mary* said to have born in Dublin on 25 April 1835. She married Benjamin FREEMAN a tinsmith who lived in Melbourne where she died in 1913.

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<sup>623</sup> Registry of Deeds Book 821 Page 491 Memorial 553026. *Dublin Evening Mail* – 28 June 1826 – On the 17th inst. In the parish church of Balrothery, by the Rev. Courtenay TURNER, A.M., Thomas Swan CROKER, Esq. of Clonliffe, County Dublin, to Anne, eldest daughter of Captain P. K. [recte R] WOLFE, of Belcamp Cottage, Balbriggan, and cousin of Lord Kilwarden

<sup>624</sup>Tankard Ville House is described in detail in *Vernacular Buildings of East Fingal*, Dublin Heritage Group, Dublin 1993. It has a long history with a sale recorded in 1702. The current structure has evolved over the years and there is evidence of the existence of other buildings in the group.

<sup>625</sup>National Archives, *Dublin* — Letters of Administration (with Will attached) of the personal property of Anne CROKER late of 36 Leeson-Park County Dublin, Widow who died 28 December 1878 at the same place were granted at the principal registry to Isabella Harriet WOLFE of 65 Upper Leeson Street, Dublin said county spinster the second cousin of deceased — Effects under £100

<sup>626</sup>Manuscripts D17,283–302 and T7112–14

<sup>627</sup>His memorandum at Appendix E

<sup>628</sup> *Newcastle Morning Herald and Miners' Advocate* 19 Dec 1883.

- *Thomas Swan* born Drogheda on 4 July 1837 and died accidentally shot at Yanakie Station, Victoria on 9 April 1885.
- *William John* born at Drogheda on 29 January 1840 and married Margaret W MILLER in 1864. He died at Newcastle on 18 March 1919 and she in 1930 aged 87. They had ten children.
- *Margaret Anne*, the first of their Australian born children, was born on 29 June 1842. She married David MILLER, a Newcastle Grocer in 1868 and she died on 4 July 1905.
- *Edward Abraham* was born on 8 March 1844 and is believed to have married Ellen M LAYT in 1868. He lost contact with the family about 1870 as he and his younger brother Robert Wilson are described as not heard from for 16 years on the some of the legal documents relating to the administration of their mother's estate in 1888. He returned later and was buried at Newcastle on 27 October 1903.
- *Alfred* (WILSON) born on 12 March 1846 but moved to Queensland before marrying Ellen BARRETT at Maryborough on 22 October 1882. Ellen was born at Ballinduff, Ardahan, County Galway, daughter of John BARRETT and Bridget LINNANE. They had a large family. About 1900 they moved from Maryborough to Runcorn near Brisbane and used the family name WILSON for the most of rest of their lives. Alfred died on 22 October 1934 and Ellen on 25 January 1928. They had nine children.
- *Robert Wilson* was born on 13 September 1849 and died on 11 September 1911 at Newcastle.
- *George Henry* was born on 16 November 1853 and married Susannah GREGORY in 1877. He was a bookmaker in Newcastle and used to say of the miners passing his house on their way to work that they were off to earn his money. George died 14 December 1923 and his widow 2 April 1934. They had no surviving children.
- *Charles Frederick* was born on 15 April 1857 and married Anne Elizabeth CHANDLER in 1887. She died on 16 July 1931 and he on 31 August 1939.

## Kilworth, Youghal and Ballyleary

*Christopher* is described as ‘uncle’ in the will of Thomas of Cahirkereely, County Limerick<sup>629</sup>, so was one of the sons of the Edward murdered in the 1641 rebellion. His deposition about his father’s murder was published earlier<sup>630</sup>. *Christopher* took refuge at Cappoquin with his uncle Hugh after his father’s death and probably formed part of a large extended family of CROKERS there. This probably led to some confusion and his being mistaken for one of Hugh’s sons in many of the accounts of the capture of Waterford. He made a deposition on 26 June 1654 as *Christopher* of Cappoquin aged about twenty-four years<sup>631</sup>. He stated in a deposition in 1654 that he was in the army in 1650 in command under Colonel SANKEY probably as a non-commissioned officer. If an officer he would have used that title in later life. Thus we identify him as the Sergeant CROKER involved in the capture of Waterford. Later *Christopher* was probably apprenticed as a merchant at Youghal which was also a safe haven for Protestants. Hugh had been made a freeman there in 1619 and his son Barry obtained that privilege in 1647<sup>632</sup>. *Christopher* was a merchant in Kilworth in 1667 and issued a token with an heraldic image on it<sup>633</sup>. He also seems to have had interests at Youghal probably in association with Barry and to have carried on the business after the death of Barry and the latter’s son Thomas. He was evidently successful; for he was able to buy Ballyleary house and lands, on the Great Island, near Cork, to which he retired before 1691, and leave his eldest son a flourishing business at Youghal. His wife Mary (Elizabeth) HUTCHINS was the daughter of Thomas HUTCHINS by Margaret KNOYLE eldest daughter of Leonard KNOYLE, of Ballygally, County Waterford and Francisca JERARD daughter of Robert JERARD, of Chilton, Somerset. She was also a step daughter of Thomas MAUNSELL<sup>634</sup> and she was living when *Christopher* made his will in 1691 and was left a proportion of the house and lands of Ballyleary at her own disposal. He died in 1692. It is not known when she died. Their children were:

- *Thomas* of Youghal (see below).
- *Edward* of Great Island (see section 14.1).
- *Walter* of Tallow (see section 15.1).
- *John* of Ariglin Bridge, County Cork. He was probably married<sup>635</sup>, but if so his wife predeceased him. His will, dated and proved in 1684 and PCC 1685<sup>636</sup> has a £300 legacy for his brother *Andrew* available when he was of age 23 years with a reversion

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<sup>629</sup>See section 8.1ii.

<sup>630</sup>Mary Hickson, *Ireland in the 17<sup>th</sup> Century or the Massacres of 1641* vol II.

<sup>631</sup>Trinity College Ms — Waterford folio 371.

<sup>632</sup>See sections 3.5 and 7.6.

<sup>633</sup>*Irish Ancestor*, Vol X p54. These tokens were issued as there was a shortage of small coins at the time.

<sup>634</sup>Mentioned in the will 1686 of Thomas MAUNSELL of Mocollop

<sup>635</sup>There are two likely marriages: to Mary MAY (BEAMISH) in 1680 and to Ellinor BROWNE in 1681, both by Cork and Ross licence.

<sup>636</sup>PRO PROB11/361 folio 327

to his mother if she was a widow and to his father otherwise. The residue of the estate was left to his father. The abstracts from the Irish Courts name Walter of Lisnabrin as overseer. Walter of Lisnabrin died in 1684 so his omission from the PCC records is natural. John's brother Thomas proved the will in London representing his father. He wished to be buried at Kilworth indicating the connection with his father's business there which he was probably given and the likelihood of a tomb of his wife there.

- *James*, given a portion of Ballyleary on condition that he returned from the West Indies and lived in Ireland. This portion was to revert to his nephew Edward junior or to his nephew Joseph GUBBINS if not claimed. Evidently he returned and probably married Ann BENNET by Cashel and Emly licence in 1696. He was described as of Ballyleary when his will was proved at Cloyne in 1705.
- *Andrew* was born about 1662. He may be he whose name appears in a list of traders at Youghal in 1720-23<sup>637</sup>; and perhaps he of Douglas, near Cork, merchant, who sold a lease of a house in Youghal in February 1726<sup>638</sup>. He was of Cork merchant when he was involved in several deeds with his brother *Thomas* as a party and as a witness. There is a deed between Deborah widow of Andrew of Cork merchant in 1739<sup>639</sup>. The Betham pedigrees have him of New England<sup>640</sup> and marrying twice. Firstly to a daughter of *Michael* of Trevallis, secondly to COOKS. He was described as late of Cork now of London in 1718<sup>641</sup>. He appears to have been insolvent in 1721<sup>642</sup>. His issue is given as:
  - Robert of New England; and
  - a Daughter wife of Thomas ROBIN.
- *Margaret*, married to Joseph GUBBINS of Cloghe in 1684 by a Cloyne licence. She was the residuary legatee in her father's will for a portion of Ballyleary should her brother James, nephew Edward and own son Joseph GUBBINS fail to claim their inheritance.

*Thomas*, eldest son of Christopher, was born in 1652. He succeeded to the family business at Youghal in which he was clearly successful. He was elected Mayor of Youghal on 13 September 1697<sup>643</sup>, but was the defeated candidate in 1703. As an Alderman he was a member of the Common Council in 1712. He bought land at Kilwatermoy, County

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<sup>637</sup>Corporation of Youghal Records.

<sup>638</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 51 Page 374 Memorial 34050.

<sup>639</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 95 Page 2 Memorial 66111

<sup>640</sup>Mss 276 p176.

<sup>641</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 21 Page 446 Memorial 12098.

<sup>642</sup> *London Gazette* — 28 February 1821 – Whereas Andrew CROKER, late of London, Merchant, hath surrendered himself (pursuant to Notice) and been twice examined; This is to give Notice, that he will attend the Commissioners on the 20<sup>th</sup> instant, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution Money, and assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate.

<sup>643</sup>Corporation of Youghal Records.

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Waterford<sup>644</sup>, from Andrew, probably his brother in 1709. This he left to his wife and son *Thomas* for their respective lives and then to his grandson John son of Thomas. In December 1718 as part of the marriage settlement of his daughter Mary he made over to his grandson Thomas FRENCH a house in Limerick City<sup>645</sup> which had belonged to his first wife. She was Elizabeth, daughter of James WOOD, of Limerick, and probably his cousin. His second wife was also Elizabeth who was born LUTHER but was twice widowed when she married him. She was a daughter of John LUTHER who was buried 21 December 1697 aged about 70. Her first husband was Richard LAWNDY whom she married 26 June 1673. He was buried at Youghal on 10 January 1677. She then married Richard PARRADICE on 12 May 1679 at Youghal. Her second husband died some time before she married Thomas, by Cloyne licence in 1690. *Thomas* died on 4 January 1718-9 aged between 66 and 67<sup>646</sup>. His will was dated 26 December 1716 and proved in the Prerogative Court. The will of his widow who was buried 10 September 1719, was dated 1719 and proved there in 1720. By his first wife he had issue:

- i. *Christopher* who died young;
- ii. *Catherine* married Edward LAWNDY or LANDY her step brother on 8 November 1696 at Youghal. He was baptised at Youghal 15 October 1673. She was buried at Youghal 23 February 1702/3. Their children were:
  - Elizabeth LANDY who was baptised 24 February 1696-7 and married Hugh SWAYNE;
  - Agnes LANDY who was mentioned in the wills of her CROKER grandparents in 1718 and 1720 was baptised 23 February 1698/9. She was mentioned as Agnes NELSON in her father's will dated 17 October 1723 and proved 3 February 1730/1<sup>647</sup>.
  - Mary LANDY was baptised 5 May 1701.

(Edward LANDY married secondly Anne MEADE at Youghal in 1706. Anne LANDY a daughter of his second marriage married *Walter* of the Lisnarbin branch in 1739 (see section 4.8).)

- *Rebecca* married George HAYLES in August 1705 by Cloyne licence. He was baptised at Youghal on 16 January 1672/3 and died sometime before 1723 when Rebecca HAYLES appears in a list of traders 1720-23 in Youghal in her own right. She was buried at Youghal 17 February 1755.
- *Mary* married Abraham FRENCH, a merchant of Cork, at Youghal on 7 September 1713 by Cloyne licence.

By his second marriage he had:

- *Thomas* of Youghal (see below).
- *Henry* baptised on 12 January 1695/6.

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<sup>644</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 3 Page 123 Memorial 740.

<sup>645</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 23 Page 171 Memorial 13006.

<sup>646</sup>See Appendix F – Inscriptions in Youghal Church.

<sup>647</sup>Fisher abstract in GO Ms 139.

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- *Margaret* baptised on 6 October 1695 and buried on 15 January 1696/7 at Youghal.
- *Andrew* baptised on 24 July 1699 and buried on 7 November 1705 at Youghal.

Two other children of Elizabeth are mentioned in the wills of Thomas and Elizabeth. They are:

- Elizabeth PARADICE married Samuel HAYMAN on 5 November 1700 by Cork and Ross licence at Youghal. She was buried on 17 May 1756 when she was described as relict of Samuel HAYMAN and aged about 75 years.
- Susan PARADICE married Richard WALTER on 4 June 1712 at Youghal.

*Thomas*, elder son of *Thomas senior* of Youghal, continued his father's business at Youghal. He was made freeman-at-large on 15 June 1718<sup>648</sup>; stood for Mayor in June 1720 but was unsuccessful despite of receiving 77 votes. He was given leave to 'break windows' (ie cut window openings) in the town wall in September 1721, but fell out with his fellow councillors six months later because of his refusal to surrender the town seal although 'by the ancient by-laws the seal was always lodged in the Town Chest, and never deposited in the hands on any person'. Consequently he was disenfranchised on 30 April 1722. He seems, however, to have been reinstated by June 1724 when he again ran for Mayor, but only received three votes. He was granted a lease on some corporation property in 1727; and acted as executor of his half-brother and brother-in-law Edward LANDY's will in 1737. His will was dated 26 April 1739 and proved at Cloyne 18 Jun 1740. He was buried 2 May 1739 at Youghal. One of the executors declined the execution on 15 May 1739<sup>649</sup>. His wife Alice whom he is said to have married in Flanders was buried at Youghal on 1 September 1741. *Thomas* married on 21 June 1716 Alice MATHEWS at St Bennets Pauls Wharf<sup>650</sup>, by Faculty Office licence dated 21 June 1716. He was probably getting experience working in London with his uncle Andrew. Their ages on the marriage licence allegation were respectively upwards of twenty-two years and upwards seventeen years. Their issue were:

- John* of Glanaboy, County Waterford (see below).
- Thomas* baptised 7 July 1719 and was described as 'undutiful and disrespectful to me' by his father in his will and consequently left 5/-. He was nevertheless residuary legate under the entail of his grandfather's will for the lands of Glanaboy if his brother's male heirs died out. Mentioned as 'son of Thomas senior' in a lease of 1741<sup>651</sup> and in the election of his relation *Richard* to the office of Bailiff in 1747. He is a possible parent for *Edward Abraham* (chapter 12) and *John* of Phibsborough (chapter 18)
- Elizabeth* baptised 26 July 1720 and mentioned in her father's will. In 1741 she sold her interest in the legacies of her father to her brother *John* for £250<sup>652</sup>. This sale was

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<sup>648</sup>Corporation of Youghal records.

<sup>649</sup>The will and associated documents were abstracted by Thrift and are at the National Archives Dublin ref T2146.

<sup>650</sup> Thomas CROCKER of St James Westminster, Middlesex, bachelor and Alice MATTHEWS of the same spinster.

<sup>651</sup>Corporation of Youghal records.

<sup>652</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 214 Page 256 Memorial 141019.



contested in the courts but upheld with a judgement circa 6 December 1752. She is said to have married Francis CARR by Cloyne marriage licence in 1754.

*John*, the eldest son was baptised at Youghal 28 February 1717/8 and married Alice DREW of Ballinlough in the parish of Clonmore, County Kilkenny by an Ossory licence dated 4 March 1738. She was a daughter of John DREW of Tircullen and granddaughter of John DREW of Ballinlough and Sarah MAUNSELL. He was of Glanaboy a property bought by his grandfather in 1711<sup>653</sup>. In 1741 a Youghal Corporation lease, probably originally granted to his father, was renewed to him for the lives of himself (described as younger son of Thomas senior), his brother and sister. In 1747 a lease of commons was renewed to John for his own life and those of his wife Alice and son *Thomas*<sup>654</sup>. He was witness to the will of Margaret DREW of Waterpark, County Cork in June 1753 and was then described as of Glanaboy, County Waterford<sup>655</sup>. He was admitted a freeman of Youghal on 21 July 1755 and seems to have taken an active part in the affairs of the Corporation because in 1791, Alice was described as widow of *John*, alderman. He was buried at Tallow on 21 December 1783. He and Alice had the following children:

- *Thomas*, the eldest son, was in the Army obtaining the rank of Lieutenant on 1 April 1762 but was put on half pay in 1763. He was in the 91st Regiment from 1763 until 1776 when he was attached to the Irish Invalids Regiment. Another lieutenant in the 91st Regiment on half pay at that time was Thomas COOTE. He also held the post of Pursuivant at Arms to the Knights of the most illustrious order of St. Patrick from 1783<sup>656</sup> until his death<sup>657</sup>. He married Alice WILMAN, widow at St Thomas's, Dublin on 16 March 1775, by a Dublin Consistory licence dated 14 March 1784 where he is described as Lieutenant in HM's 91st Regiment. She was Alice SMITH when she married George Frederick WILMAN by a marriage licence dated 24 August 1768 and marriage settlement dated 5 August 1768. Alice was a daughter of John SMITH and Alice DILLON who married in 1742<sup>658</sup>. Alice DILLON was a daughter of James DILLON of Cork city. He may have been the *Thomas* grocer of Abbey Street in Watsons Almanack of 1784. He is mentioned as representative of *John* for rent arrears to the Duke of Devonshire for Loghasolliss in Tallow parish<sup>659</sup>. He, described as Lieutenant *Thomas*, died at 8am and his wife at 8pm on 10 September 1796 leaving six young children<sup>660</sup>. In his will, dated August 1791, he described himself as 'of Dublin

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<sup>653</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 8 Page 440 Memorial 3085.

<sup>654</sup> Corporation of Youghal Records.

<sup>655</sup> *Wills in the Registry of Deeds*, Vol 2 No 124.

<sup>656</sup> T Blake Butler, The officers of Arms of Ireland (cont); *The Irish Genealogist* Vol 2 P2 (1943 (released 1945) p46. Junior Pusuivants of the Order of St. Patrick 1783 ... CROKER. Betham notes the Pusuivants as Thomas CROKER, Christopher Wilson and Bryan Cornish.

<sup>657</sup> See Galloway, Peter; *The most illustrious Order of St. Patrick, 1783-1983*; Chichester, Phillimore 1983.

<sup>658</sup> Marriage settlement dated 3 December 1742 mentioned in Book 325 page 78 Memorial [213046](#).

<sup>659</sup> *Analecta Hibernica*, V 22, p309.

<sup>660</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 12 September 1796 – On Saturday morning in Moore Street at eight o'clock Lieutenant Thomas CROKER and at eight o'clock in the evening Mrs CROKER. They have left a young family of six children.

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gent'. The will was proved in the Prerogative Court on 19 November 1796. He mentions therein his wife Alice, his brother *Edward* and his own children:

- *John Newman*;
- *Charles* was made ensign in the 89<sup>th</sup> foot on 13 August 1804 without purchase. He was promoted to lieutenant on 9 May 1805 again without purchase and captain 9 June 1813 in the same regiment. He served as *aid-de-camp* to his uncle, the Lieutenant-General *Robert*<sup>661</sup>. He died at Cork on 9 April 1819<sup>662</sup> of a liver complaint contracted during his residence in India.
- *Robert* baptised at St Thomas 21 February 1790. He is not mentioned in his father will in 1791 indicating he may died prior to 1791 or that he was in uncertain health at the time. He may be the *Robert (Edward)* mentioned below.
- *Martha*;
- *Alice* baptised at St Thomas 19 November 1775;
- *Mary Anne* baptised at St Thomas 17 August 1787; and
- *Letitia* an infant who was buried 25 August 1779.
- *John Drew*, of Dublin, who worked as one of the Surveyors and Collectors of Hearth Money at the Customs House in 1787<sup>663</sup>. Although he is not mentioned in the marriage settlement of his brother *Edward* some land they jointly owned was. He appears as an

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*Limerick Chronicle* — 14 September 1796 – In Moore street, on Saturday morning last at 8 o'clock, of a putrid fever, Lieutenant Thomas CROKER, of the Invalids, and Pursuivant at Arms to the Knights of the most illustrious order of St. Patrick. And on Saturday evening died, of the same fever, in Moore street, Mrs. CROKER, wife of the above Lieut. T. CROKER—They have left a family of six children, at a very early age, to lament their irreparable loss. A little boy, one of their sons, first took the fever, and their attendance on him proved fatal to both.

<sup>661</sup> *The Asiatic Annual Register*, Volume 11, p 201 – Lieut. C. CROKER, 89th regiment to be A. D. C. to General CROKER.

<sup>662</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 20 April 1819 – In Peter Street Cork, Charles CROKER Esq Capt 69th(*recte* 89th) Regiment

*The Annual Biography and Obituary* 1819 — CROKER, Charles Esq late a Captain in the 89<sup>th</sup> Regiment of foot. This gentleman was the second son of Thomas CROKER of Glanaboy, in the county of Waterford, Esq. and descended from one of the most ancient families in the south of Ireland.

Having made choice of the army as a career as an ensign in the 89<sup>th</sup> foot, and shortly after his arrival in the East Indies was appointed Aid-de-camp to his uncle the late Lieutenant-General Robert CROKER, whose military talents were duly appreciated by the intrepid Sir Eyre COOTE, under whom, in the early part of his life, he had the honour to serve.

In consideration of his uniform bravery and humanity as an officer, Captain CROKER's conduct was such as endeared him to the respect of all ranks, for undeviating principles of rectitude, unassuming manners, and, above all, those accomplished feelings which should ever designate the soldier, while they adorn the scholar and the gentleman.

He died early in life, at Cork, in Ireland, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of April, 1819, of a liver complaint, contracted during his residence in India.

<sup>663</sup> PRO Kew, Cust 20/156 p70. Appointments at the Customs House Dublin.

Ensign in a list of the Tallow Independent Blues Volunteers, 1 August 1778<sup>664</sup>. His death on 28 November at Tallow was reported in the *Sothorn Reporter* and the *Freeman's Journal* on 12 December 1823.

- *Edward* an Attorney of Dublin and Tallow who seems to have married twice. Firstly he married Ann who died before 1789. He married, on 22 January 1789 at Rathcooney, Martha BENNETT daughter of James BENNETT of Newtown near Cork and sister of James BENNETT MD<sup>665</sup>. She is probably daughter of Elizabeth CROKER and James BENNETT who married in 1750 (see section 15.1ii). *Edward* died at Kilkenny and was buried at Tallow on 29 June 1791 with his son *James*. *Edward* seems to have sued his father and brother *John Drew* in 1781 in the Court of Chancery. *Martha* may be the Mrs CROKER whose death at Lota Cottage at an advanced age was reported in the *Limerick Chronicle* of 21 January 1835. Mrs CROKER appears at this address in the 1824 Directory of Cork. His children include the following:
  - *John* described as son of Edward and Ann when he was buried at Tallow on 28 May 1790.
  - *James* described as son of Edward and Martha when he was buried at Tallow 29 June 1791.
- *Martha* who was mentioned along with her brother Robert in the will of her uncle Robert DREW who was a Lieutenant in Colonel RICHBELL's Regiment (27th Foot) when he made his will in 1757<sup>666</sup>. She was also mentioned as a life in various deeds of assignment to her brothers *Edward* and *John Drew*<sup>667</sup>. *Martha* was also a beneficiary in the will of her brother *Robert* in 1817 when she is described as 'of Cork'. She died unmarried in Thomas Street, Cork on 14 April 1828<sup>668</sup>. *Robert Edward* was executor of her will dated 26 January 1827 and also appears to be the nephew *Robert* who was the absolute legatee of her estate.
- *Robert* mentioned as reversionary legatee in the will of his uncle Robert DREW in 1757. *Robert* was reputed to be born in 1748 or 1749<sup>669</sup>. He entered the East India Company's Service as a Cadet in 1769 and was gazetted Ensign 16 October 1770. Promotion was at first slow until the reforms of 1798 when there was a move to

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<sup>664</sup><http://www.from-ireland.net/history/munstervoluns.htm> — Journal of the Cork Historical and Archaeological Society 1894, Vol. II

<sup>665</sup>He died 16 October 1809 see Limerick General Advertizer 20 October 1809.

<sup>666</sup>PRO Prob 11/881

<sup>667</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 281 Page 591 Memorial 188331; Book 281 Page 591 Memorial 188332; Book 281 Page 592 Memorial 188333, Book 281 Page 592 Memorial 188334 and Book 344 Page 321 Memorial 231745.

<sup>668</sup>*Cork Constitution* — 17 April 1828 – On Monday the 14th inst, at her house in Thomas Street, deeply regretted, Martha, only daughter of the late John CROKER of Glanaboy, in the co Waterford, Esq

<sup>669</sup>These dates are implied from his obituary which appeared first in the *Madras Courier Supplement* Tuesday 29 April 1817 and reproduced in the *Gentleman's Magazine* December 1817. This would mean that he would have been a cadet at the age of 21 which is quite old. It is more usual to become a cadet around the age of 15. His death is also announced in the *Freeman's Journal* of 6 November 1817.

integration of the Indian Army with the rest of the Army. He became Lieutenant 16 January 1775, Captain 23 March 1783, Major 15 October 1794, Lieutenant Colonel 1 January 1796, Colonel 18 August 1799, Major General 21 April 1808 and Lieutenant General 4 June 1813. He was administrator of the estate of Thomas LORD, surety in 1791<sup>670</sup>. He was Colonel of the Madras European Regiment. He died at Masulipatam in the Madras Presidency on 13 April 1817 and he was buried in the cemetery in the Fort there<sup>671</sup>. His will, dated 7 April that year, names several of his children and his sister Martha of Cork. He also mentions the mother of his last three children who is given the interest on 3000 Star Pagodas for life. She may have been a common law wife and most likely to have been of Indian native descent as she was not named by name. There is an inventory of his estate in the India Office Records<sup>672</sup>. His first wife was Frances<sup>673</sup>. His children by his first wife appear to be:

- *Martha* who married on 15 October 1792 John STEPHENS [circa 1771 – 13 February 1808], a merchant of Madras and Trichinopoly, on 15 October 1792. She was buried at Madras<sup>674</sup> on 2 June 1801. He married secondly Catherine Sarquis Satur, on 6 September 1800? Martha was buried at Trichinopoly 13 February 1808. She had two children mentioned in their grandfather's will:
  - John STEPHENS; and
  - Robert STEPHENS who *John Drew* stated as deceased in 1830.
- *Elizabeth* who married John WILLINS, a mariner, on 1 September 1802. He seems also to have married Mary MACLEAN a widow on 29 December 1793. He died 4 April 1811. Elizabeth died 29 June 1865 at Madras. Perhaps the Martha WILLINS, spinster who was buried at Madras 10 June 1829 was a child of theirs. The children of Robert's second relationship lived with their elder sister prior to going to England in 1821.
- *Alice* baptised on 22 September 1790 and married on 25 November 1814<sup>675</sup> Lieutenant Godfrey O'REILLY<sup>676</sup> of the East India Company Army. He was

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<sup>670</sup> *Madras Courier* – Thursday 15 December 1791

<sup>671</sup> *List of Inscriptions on Tombs Or Monuments Madras Vol 2* (Cotton) Robert Croker. (Lieutenant-General Robert Croker of the Madras Establishment, aged 68 years after 45 years Military service.)

<sup>672</sup> British Library — India Office Records – L/AG/34/29/218 pp 6–9 in inventory section. Again his spouse is not named. David PUGH is named as guardian to his three under age children.

<sup>673</sup> Possibly Frances SWAN sister of Edward Bellingham SWAN and William Bellingham SWAN who in a deed dated 17 January 1771 (Registry of Deeds, Book 284 Page 650 Memorial 186353) granted Edward Bellingham SWAN power of attorney in relation to some property in Dublin.

<sup>674</sup> Cotton, Junian James, *List of inscriptions on tombs or monuments in Madras possessing historical or archaeological interest*, Madras 1905 p 330 Old burial ground of Palamcottah — 2 June 1801 Mrs Martha STEPHENS wife of John STEPHENS; [annotation–] John STEPHENS buried at Madras, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 1808, aged 37 years, was a retail merchant at Trichinopoly and married Miss Martha CROKER, October 15<sup>th</sup>, 1792.

<sup>675</sup> *Madras Almanac for the year of our Lord 1815* — November 25, At Masulipatam, Lieutenant G. O'REILLY, 1<sup>st</sup> Bat 18<sup>th</sup> Regt N I, to Miss Alice CROKER, second daughter of Lieutenant General CROKER.

<sup>676</sup> National Archives Kew WO31/197 — Memorial of Mr Godfrey O'REILLY; Humbly Sheweth: That your memorialist is now 16 years of age and the youngest of seven children lately left by his father's death, who followed the profession of the law, in less favourably circumstances than that in which he

born on 13 November 1788 and died at Juggerpet near Masulipatam on 29 March 1816<sup>677</sup>. Administration of his estate was granted at Madras to his widow in 1818.

- *Catherine* who married George WALTER on 8 September 1810 but was not mentioned in her father's will. It is assumed that she died without issue in the period between her marriage and when her father made his will.
- *Robert* buried on 6 April 1813<sup>678</sup>.
- Perhaps *Thomas* who died on 26 October 1805 and was buried at Madras.

By his second spouse he had the following children mentioned in his will.

- *John Drew* who was a minor when his father made his will in 1817 and who died on 27 March 1852<sup>679</sup> and was buried at Persuvankum aged 49<sup>680</sup>. In 1830 he initiated legal proceedings against David PUGH for his share of his father's estate and indicated that he was born on 30 January 1806. He was described as a surgeon of Cannon Street, London at that time. He appears to have returned to India in 1832 on *London* arriving at Madras on 5 July. He appears to have not married and his Madras will mentions only his servants and his brother *Edward* who was then in England.
- *Edward* was also a minor when his father made his will. He was believed to be alive when his brother made his will in 1852. He and his family appear in the 1841 census at Forest Place, Hackney. He married Margaret ELLISON (nee GRANUS(GRONOUS), born Scotland) on 3 May 1830 at Saint Martin Orgar and Saint Clement Eastcheap, London, England. Edward appears aged 55 in the 1861 census of Canada at Orillia, Simcoe with *Arthur* and *Edith*. In 1849 he was a sidesman for the parish of St James, Orillia. Margaret was visiting her daughter *Rosamond* at the time of the 1861 census and her age was given as 45. She was recorded as Marth in the 1871 Census of Canada at Orillia, North Simcoe.
  - *Robert* who was born on 28 January 1831 and baptised at Old Church, Saint Pancras, London, England.

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had been educated, and being very desirous of making the Army his profession but not having it in his power at present to lodge money to purchase. Most humbly requests that your Royal Highness may be graciously pleased to recommend him to His Majesty to be appointed an Ensign. Which is humbly submitter G O'REILLY, Dublin 25<sup>th</sup> June 1805.

Alexander TAYLOR indicated that Godfrey has a legacy from his father's will of £50 per annum.

<sup>677</sup> *Madras Almanac for the year of our Lord 1817*. At Juggerpett, Lieutenant O'REILLY, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion 18<sup>th</sup> Regt.

<sup>678</sup> British Library — India Office Records N/2/5/338 — Outstations of the Presidency of Madras – This is to certify that the remains of Robert CROKER son of General CROKER late an inhabitant of Masulipatam were decently interred and the funeral service of the Church of England read over them. C BATHURST chaplain.

<sup>679</sup> *Madras Almanac and compendium for 1853* — March 1852 ... 27. at Kilpauk, J. D. CROKER, esq., aged 48 years. – Administrations of estates CROKER, Mr. John Drew advertised 21 April 1852 Messrs W. and P. L. KELLY Executors

<sup>680</sup> British Library — India Office Records N/2/31 p124. His court case claim would infer that he was 46 rather than 49.

- *Edward Dias* whose birth was registered in December quarter 1837 at Hackney.
- *Rosamond* who was born on 18 July 1836 and baptised at Saint John the Baptist, Shoreditch, London, England. Edward's residence was given as Albion Terrace, St John, West Hackney. She went to Canada and married Joseph ARTHUR. She died at 121 Dominion Ave, Midland, Ontario on 21 January 1922
  - ⊕ William Henry ARTHUR who was born in Ontario circa 1863. He died unmarried on 24 June 1936 at St Joseph's Hospital, Port Arthur.
  - ⊕ Ellen ARTHUR who was born circa 1869 and died on 12 February 1934.
  - ⊕ Charles Granus ARTHUR who was a merchant and married Larina Grant SIBBALD on 26 April 1893. He was aged 2 at the 1861 Canadian Census. He registered the death of his uncle *William Henry*.
  - ★ Clifford Joseph Croker Arthur who was born on 5 February 1894.
  - ⊕ Edith Stanley Monk ARTHUR who born circa 1870 and married on 14 June 1893 Edwin Arthur Rickard PETERSON who was born in Yorkshire.
  - ⊕ John ARTHUR and Eliza HERN had a child Annie Rosamond ARTHUR (1877-1923). She married William MARLAND in 1901.
- *John Drew* who was baptised on 11 March 1840 at Hackney. He was buried at West Hackney on 3 February 1842 and had residence Forest Place, Kingsland. His birth was registered in 1839.
- *Frederick Townsend* whos birth was registerd March quarter 1847 Volume 03 Page 203. His death was registered in the following June quarter.
- *Arthur* born circa 1848 in England. He appears in the 1861 census of Canada at Simcoe with his father and sister Edith. Perhaps he married in 1872.
- *William Henry* who was born in England on 21 September 1843 and was baptised on 25 March 1849 at Old Church, Saint Pancras, London, England. He became an architect and served sometime in the Canada Militia. He appears in the 1891 census of Canada at Orillia Town with his mother and sister *Edith*. He died unmarried at St Andrews Hospital, Midland, Tay, Canada on 1 January 1942.
- *Edith S M* born 13 May 1849 at Orillia in Canada. She died unmarried at Orillia on 10 April 1925 of gangrene. The informant was her brother W H CROKER. They were in the 1901 census of Canada at that place.
- *Anne* who was born in 1811 and married at St Peter the Great, Worcester, Lieut Charles CHAMBERLAIN [baptised 30 Apr 1793 at Claines, Worcestershire and

died 14 Jan 1859] on 22 November 1830<sup>681</sup>. He was a son of Robert and Mary CHAMBERLAIN and had a career in the 4th Foot. She died in Worcester, England on 29 August 1834<sup>682</sup>. He was a Captain in the Worcester Militia in 1851 census.

- Anne Pugh CHAMBERLAIN born circa 23 August 1833. She married Valentine GREEN in March quarter 1855 and died in September quarter 1870 in Worcester. The middle name Pugh may be from her mother's guardian David PUGH a merchant of Madras<sup>683</sup>. This family was at 13 Oxford Terrace, Finsbury, London for the 1861 census. Valentine appears to be the son of Edward GREEN wine merchant and his wife Sarah who appear in the 1841 census. Sarah Parker GREEN was a widow at the 1851 census.

- ⊕ Charles Chamberlain Valentine GREEN who was born 20 November 1856 and baptised at Claines, Worcestershire, on 28 April 1857. His birth was registered at Upton Upon Severn. He died on 30 April 1866 at Boulogne-sur-Mer aged 10 years when he was described as the only child<sup>684</sup>.

*Robert Edward* and *Mary Anne* mentioned in a deed of 1837 involving some land from the marriage settlement of Edward and Martha BENNETT, and William BENNETT of Cork Doctor of Medicine are probably of this branch. *Robert Edward* appears in Pigot & Cos' 1824 City of Dublin and Hibernian Provincial Directory at 5 Thomas Street, Cork. The death of a Miss CROKER daughter of the late *Thomas* of Glanaboy, thus a sister, aunt or other near relation of *Robert Edward*, was reported as occurring in Thomas Street, Cork, on 20 June 1831 in the Limerick Herald of 4 July and Evening Post and Clare Sentinel of 8 July 1831 the latter without the death date. *Robert Edward* was also involved in another deed with William BENNETT in 1839<sup>685</sup>. In the 1837 deed he sells interest in Garranderky retaining life interest for himself and *Mary Anne* and in the 1839 deed he sells his remaining interest in the land. It is likely that *Mary Anne* died between these two dates. A *Mary Anne* aged 46 was buried at Tallow on 24 April 1841 and a *Robert* aged 56 was buried at Tallow on 23 October 1851.

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<sup>681</sup>*Berrow's Worcester Journal* — 24 November 1830 — On Monday at St Peter's, By the Rev Corneleus COPNER, Lt C CHAMBERLAIN to Anne daughter of the late Lt Gen Robert CROKER of Hon East India Company's Service

<sup>682</sup>Memorial inscription in the church of St Peter-the-Great, Worcester and *Berrow's Worcester Journal* — 3 September 1834 — At Veranda Cottage, on the 29th ult, aged 23, Anne wife of Lt Charles CHAMBERLAIN and daughter of the late Gen CROKER, of the Madras establishment, leaving an infant daughter surviving her.

<sup>683</sup>David PUGH departed Madras 23 January 1821 per the *Almorah. Madras Almanac*, 1821. While other passengers are noted as having children there is no mention of children with him.

<sup>684</sup>*Worcestershire Chronicle* — 2 May 1866 — April 30th, at Boulogne-sur-Mer, Charles Chamberlain Valentine GREEN, only child of Mr. Valentine GREEN, late of this city, aged 10 years.

<sup>685</sup>Registry of Deeds, Year 1837 Volume 6 Number 13 and Year 1839 Volume 18 Number 144.

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*Edward*, one of the elder sons of Christopher of Youghal and Ballyleary (see page 109) was of the Great Island, County Cork<sup>686</sup>. Ballyleary is on the island. He was of Moccrony when he made his will<sup>687</sup>, probably living on that island. He married Jane or Jean BAYLY in 1682 by Cloyne licence, but died in 1684. His widow married again by Cloyne licence in 1691 to John KING of Tubberbrian<sup>688</sup>, County Tipperary, but they had no surviving issue. Perhaps Jane was a daughter of James BAYLEY of Dublin<sup>689</sup>. Edward and Jane had only one son born posthumously.

*Edward*, mentioned in the will of his grandfather in 1691, was born on the Great Island, county Cork, on 10 May 1685. He became an apothecary, and was of St Mary's parish, Dublin, when he married Elizabeth CAIN or COIN on 2 January 1712-3 by a Dublin consistory licence dated 9 January 1712-3. She was born at Tempole Bar, Dublin, on 17 August 1688 and was a daughter of Thomas CANN. In December 1723 he described himself as 'of Capel Street, suburbs of Dublin, apothecary'<sup>690</sup>. He was probably still living there in May 1750<sup>691</sup>. *Edward* was a foundation Warden of the Guild of Apothecaries of Dublin<sup>692</sup>. His death was reported in the *Hibernian Chronicle* in early March 1759 and that of his widow on 31 August the same year. In his will dated 8 December 1748 and proved 26 March 1759 he left £250 and some property to his wife, other property to his eldest son *Edward* and £600 to be divided among his other children<sup>693</sup>. He died on 13 March 1759<sup>694</sup>. Her will was dated 1 August 1759 and proved in the Prerogative Court the same year. She died 3 September 1759<sup>695</sup>. A complete birth and baptismal list of their children from a family bible is in the CROKER-KING papers at the National Archives together with other details of these families (see Appendix F).

- *Mary* born on 9 November 1713, baptised 16 November 1713 at St Mary and died unmarried on 15 January 1754<sup>696</sup>.

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<sup>686</sup>Betham pedigrees.

<sup>687</sup>Proved 1684, Casey Vol 8 p124.

<sup>688</sup>He died in 1743 and an abstract of his will is published in *Wills from the Registry of Deeds* Vol 1 No 170. She is not mentioned in his will and thus is assumed to have predeceased him.

<sup>689</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 25 Page 511 Memorial 15710.

<sup>690</sup>*Wills in the Registry of Deeds*, Vol , No 380.

<sup>691</sup>*Ibid*, Vol 2, No 170.

<sup>692</sup>*Journal of the Royal Society of Antiquaries Ireland*, V.. p .

<sup>693</sup>Fisher abstract in the Genealogical Office, Dublin.

<sup>694</sup>*Falkiner's Dublin Journal* — 13–17 March 1759 – Tuesday Morning, at his house in Capel-street, Mr CROKER the elder, apothecary. He will be succeeded in his Business by his eldest Son, Mr. Edward CROKER.

<sup>695</sup>*Falkiner's Dublin Journal* — 1–4 September 1759 – Yesterday Morning, Mrs CROKER, Relict of the late Edward CROKER the Elder.

<sup>696</sup>*Pue's Occurrences* — 19 January 1754 – This week the following persons have died in this city ... Miss CROKER, eldest daughter of Mr CROKER, apothecary in Capel Street ...



- *Jane* born on 10 December 1715 and died on 27 December 1715
- *Elizabeth* born on 16 January 1715/16 and she died of small pox on 18 February 1716/17.
- *James* born on 3 January 1716/17 and was smothered by his nurse on 4 February 1716/17.
- *Edward* (see below).
- *Sarah* who was born on 17 February 1718/19. Married Joseph ELLIS at St Mary's, Dublin on 2 February 1739/40. He was described as a cabinet maker of Stafford Street in the *Freeman's Journal* of 2–4 January 1777 when a daughter Catherine married Rev Mr JAMESON one of the curates of St Mary's parish. Another daughter Anne married William WATSON. The death of their son Mr Edward ELLIS aged 18 years was reported in the *Freeman's Journal* of 8–12 December 1767. *Sarah* died on 5 January 1796 and her husband on 28 October 1797 aged nearly 86. His will dated 2 July 1795 and proved 11 Nov 1797<sup>697</sup> mentions his wife Sarah and daughters Catherine JAMISON and Anne the wife of William WATSON.
- *John King* born on 13 February 1719/20 and died of measles on 29 March 1724.
- *Ann* born 20 February 1720/21 and died on 13 April 1723.
- *Thomas* born on 14 February 1721/2, baptised 7 March 1721/2 at St Mary's and died 3 April 1725.
- *Bayly (Bayli)* born on 4 June 1723 (baptised St Mary's 22 July 1723) and died on 25 November 1726.
- *Joseph* born on 5 November 1725 and died on 25 December 1725.
- *Richard* born on 13 November 1726. Mentioned in the will of his step grandfather John KING in 1732. Died on 5 May 1800 leaving no issue and was buried on 16 May at St Mary's when his address was given as Denmark Street. He might be the Richard whose marriage to Elizabeth REDING was reported in the *Freeman's Journal* of 15–19 August 1766<sup>698</sup>. He appears to be a witness along with his brother *Charles* to a deed involving his brother Samuel CROKER-KING<sup>699</sup>.
- *Samuel* CROKER-KING of Dublin (see section 14.4).
- *Charles* of Dublin (see page 130).
- *Martha* born on 22 September 1731 and died of small pox 10 July 1732.

*Edward* the younger, eldest surviving son of *Edward* the elder, apothecary, was born on 12 December 1717. He followed his father's profession as an apothecary, and inherited the business and house of Capel Street, Dublin. He was appointed to the Chemistry Department

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<sup>697</sup> Betham's Genealogical Abstracts Prerogative Wills. (Phillips MSS) accessed 27 October 2022 <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:6JXT-942P>

<sup>698</sup> Mr Richard CROKER of Stafford Street to Miss Elizabeth REDING of Old Court Co Kildare

<sup>699</sup> Registry of Deeds Book 350 Page 16 Memorial 232966 dated 9 August 1782.

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Trinity College in 1745<sup>700</sup>. He married Mary KINGSBURY at St Andrews, Dublin, on 14 November 1747 by a Dublin consistory licence dated 14 November 1747. She was the daughter of Thomas KINGSBURY<sup>701</sup> Doctor of Physic by his first wife Hester PUNTER (their marriage settlement was dated 20 October 1725<sup>702</sup>). *Edward* was elected a member of the common council of the city of Dublin representing the apothecaries for the three years starting 21 December 1750 and Master of the Apothecary's Corporation circa 20 October 1752<sup>703</sup>. He diversified and became a very successful merchant and developer having cash reserves of £4000 at his death. *Edward* seems to have gained great benefit from the execution of the PCC wills of his wife's aunts Elizabeth and Sarah PUNTER of Gloucester. His will dated 25 March 1771 was proved in the Prerogative Court in Dublin, and 23 August 1771 in the PCC. He died on 22 May 1771. *Hoey's Dublin Mercury* of 23–25 May 1771 reported his death thus "At his house in Mary Street Mr CROKER, a very eminent apothecary"<sup>704</sup>. In his will he mentions his marriage settlement of 13 November 1747 and that he was living in Mary Street at the time of making it. He also mentions various real estate transactions. He was in partnership with Henry HUNT<sup>705</sup> who advertised in the *Hoey's Dublin Mercury* 4–6 July 1771, that he was carrying on the apothecary business he had with *Edward* for some years in Mary Street. The death in Mary Street of Mary, his widow was reported in *Hoey's Dublin Mercury* of 31 October – 2 November 1771. In September 1772 administration of her will was granted to *Edward's* brother Samuel CROKER-KING who was also appointed guardian of the son *Edward* who was a minor at the time. *Edward* and *Mary* had three children:

- *Hester Sarah* baptised at St Mary on 26 September 1748.
- *Elizabeth* who was baptised at St Mary on 8 April 1750. She was mentioned in her great aunts' wills in 1765 but not in her father's in 1771. She appears to be the Miss CROKER whose death aged nineteen at her fathers house in Mary Street was reported in the newspapers 5 July 1768<sup>706</sup>.
- son whose death as only son was reported in Faulkners Dublin Journal on 9 May 1761.
- *Edward* born after 1761<sup>707</sup> and was the Cornet of the 1st Regiment of Horse who married Agnes or Nussy FALKENER by prerogative licence dated 3 June 1783. She was the daughter of George FALKINER of Dolphins Barn, county Dublin. *Edward* was promoted to Lieutenant 21 February 1784 in the 1st Horse and later became a

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<sup>700</sup>G. N. Wright, *An Historical Guide to the City of Dublin, Illustrated by engravings, and a plan of the city\** Second Edition, with corrections and additional articles, also an Itinerary and various useful information for Tourists and Strangers. London: Printed for Baldwin, Cradock, and Joy. 1825

<sup>701</sup>He died 10 April 1747 see *Pue's Occurrences* 14 April 1747.

<sup>702</sup>Registry of Deeds Book 45 Page 458 Memorial [30022](#)

<sup>703</sup>*Pue's Occurrences* — 20 October 1753

<sup>704</sup>Limerick Chronicle — 27 May 1771 – Edward CROKER, Esq; chemist to the University of Dublin, Governor of Steeven's Hospitall ant the Work House.

<sup>705</sup>Registry of Deeds — Book 274 Page 119 Memorial 176700 dated 10 February 1769.

<sup>706</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 5–9 July 1768 — In Mary Street, Miss CROKER, only daughter of Mr Edward CROKER apothecary

<sup>707</sup>Perhaps the *Edward* son of *Edward* and *Elizabeth* baptised at St Mary Dublin on 25 June 1762.

merchant. He also lived at Forthill, county Carlow<sup>708</sup>. He died on 24 December 1838<sup>709</sup> and buried at Glasnevin on 28 December. His will was proved in the next year. They had at least three sons and one daughter:

- *Edward* who died 11 April 1808 in Marlborough Street Dublin in his twentieth year.
- *Henry*, a merchant of Dublin, who died 15 October 1820 in his 23rd year.
- *John* of 36 North Great Georges Street, Dublin and Ashtown, County Dublin, merchant who was admitted freeman of Dublin on 23 October 1841 by birth right the son of *Edward* admitted freeman midsummer 1788. He married Elizabeth Helen MOLONY on 8 March 1836 at Castlecomer<sup>710</sup>. She was a daughter of Walter Weldon MOLONY and sister of Walter MOLONY Esq Chief Magistrate of Police and the Rev Arthur MOLONY (see Burke's Commoners MOLONY of Kiltanton). He may be the *John* a merchant of Newcastle[-Lyons], county Dublin, who appears in the panel of special jurors published on 2 November 1843. He died at Royal York Hotel, Brighton on 13 July 1850. His estate was valued over £30,000. He was buried at Glasnevin, on 30 July 1850 at the reported age of 36 years. Elizabeth Helen died on 28 February 1872 at Torquay and was buried at Glasnevin on 8 March 1872.
  - *Edward* born on 20 August 1837 and baptized at St George's Hardwicke Place Dublin on 1 September 1837. He presumably died before his brother of the same name was born.
  - *Mary* who was born on 14 July 1839 and baptised at St George's on 15 August 1839. She was unmarried in 1881 census when she was visiting his brother *Walter Henry*. She was left £3,000 in her father's will.
  - *Edward John* born on 5 March 1841<sup>711</sup> and baptized at St George's Hardwicke Place Dublin on 23 April 1841 by his uncle the Rev. Arthur MOLONY. He was of Tandragee, county Armagh, when he was proved his mother's will in 1872. He was also granted administration of his father's will in 1887. He matriculated to University College Oxford 15 October 1859 aged 18; BA 1863. He was visiting his brother *Walter Henry* at the time of the 1881 census. He was unmarried in 1881. He died in 1915.

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<sup>708</sup> Finns Leinster Journal — 31 October 1787 – Wool to be sold, about Sixty stones of remarkable fine Fleece Wool, at Mr. CROKER's, Fonthill, Carlow. October 24, 1787.

<sup>709</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 26 December 1838 – On the 24th inst, at his residence in Great George's Street, at an advanced age, Edward CROKER Esq, for many years an eminent merchant in this city.

<sup>710</sup> *Limerick Times* — 14 March 1836 – At Castlecomer, on the 8th inst, by the Rev Arthur MOLONY, John CROKER Esq of North Great George's street, Dublin, to Eliza Helen sister of Walter MOLONY Esq Chief Magistrate of Police.

<sup>711</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 11 March 1841 – On the 8th inst, in North Great George's street, the lady of John CROKER Esq of a son

- *John Walter* born 29 April 1842<sup>712</sup> baptized at St George's Hardwicke Place Dublin on 25 July 1842. He obtained letters of administration to his father's estate in 1887. He died in 1911.
- *Walter Henry* born circa 1845. He matriculated to Trinity College Oxford 1 February 1865 aged 20; BA 1868. Was living at Tormoham, Devon at the time of the 1881 census. He married Catherine Elizabeth GRIFFITHS sister of Major Henry Harcourt GRIFFITHS of the 59th regiment and Inspector General Richard Samuel Parnell GRIFFITHS. *Walter Henry* died at Ayles Cott, Kent Road, Torquay in 1899. Catherine Elizabeth died in 1910 at Ayles Cott, Montpellier Grove, Cheltenham. They had no surviving children.
- *Arthur* born 22 March 1846<sup>713</sup>. He matriculated to Trinity College Oxford 23 May 1866 aged 20; BA 1869. He was a solicitor in London. He married Harriet Elizabeth NEWMAN at Cheltenham in March quarter 1873. *Arthur* died on 29 April 1922 at 145 Banbury Road, Oxford<sup>714</sup>. Their children include:
  - ⊕ *Helen Marion* born circa 1874
  - ⊕ *Violet Annie* born circa 1876 and married Colonel John Cartwright HARDING-NEWMAN who was probably related through her mother.
  - ⊕ *Arthur Edward* born circa 1878 who was a major in the army.
  - ⊕ *Alicia Murial* born circa 1880.
  - ⊕ *Ethel Mary Harriet*
- *Ann* who married Archibald Hunksley RUTHERFORD of the City of London merchant circa 6 September 1825.
- *Agnes* the youngest daughter married 8 September 1826 at St Mary Dublin Rev Arthur MOLONY late of Kilrush<sup>715</sup>. A still born child was born circa 10 October 1827. Burke's *Commoners* MOLONY of Kiltannon states she died in 1837.
- *Elizabeth* buried at Glasnavin on 8 November 1837. She was described as Miss *Elizabeth* in the burial register.
- *Sarah* baptised 13 April 1760 at St Mary's, Dublin.
- *Mary*, who was aged 21 in 1779 when she is described in a list of annuity recipients as only surviving daughter of *Edward* of the parish of St Mary, by his wife Mary both

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<sup>712</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 3 May 1842 – On the 29th ultimo, in North Great George's street, the lady of John CROKER Esq of a son

<sup>713</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 28 March 1946 – On the 22d of March, the lady of John CROKER Esq of North Great George's street, of a son

<sup>714</sup>*The Times* — 5 May 1922

<sup>715</sup>Marriage settlement in Registry of Deeds – Book 816 Page 404 Memorial 549939 dated 30 August 1826.

deceased<sup>716</sup>. She is the *Maria* who married at St Anne's 25 October 1783<sup>717</sup> Capt Charles TISDALL of the 3rd Regiment of Horse<sup>718</sup> and of Dublin by a licence dated 24 October 1783. He was born 31 October 1756 and was the second son of Charles TISDALL of Mount Tisdall. He died in August 1816<sup>719</sup>. A deed of 1784 mentions her brother *Edward*, Cornet of the 1st Regiment of Horse<sup>720</sup>. They had one son:

- Charles TISDALL who married firstly on 3 April 1820, in Carlow, Susanna daughter of Harmon FITZ-MAURICE of Spring Hill, in the Queen's county<sup>721</sup>, and secondly on 17 November 1824 at Caledon church, Anne LODGE (d1826) daughter of Captain Richard LODGE of Caledon, county Tyrone and Ballinnahone, county Armagh by Margaret CROKER-KING (see next section). Thirdly he married on 10 May 1830 Catherine Elizabeth daughter of Maj William Stirling ST CLAIR<sup>722</sup>. He died 28 July 1834<sup>723</sup>

The third surviving son of *Edward* the elder apothecary, was *Samuel* who was born on 28 June 1728. He became a surgeon and practised in Dublin. He married Ann OBRE, daughter of Edward OBRE, Esq of Lisburn, county Antrim, at St Werbergh's Church, Dublin, by licence dated 1 December 1759<sup>724</sup>. In the 1761 Directory of Dublin he appears as a surgeon in Big Strand Street. On the baptisms of *Edward* and *Samuel* he was of Stafford Street, Dublin. He and his brothers *Richard* and *Charles* had been named as successive reversioners in the will of their step-grandfather John KING<sup>725</sup> with the condition that they took on the KING family name. Samuel was able to take advantage of this inheritance when he changed his name by letters patent in 1761. He described himself as Samuel CROKER-KING when taking over the administration of his brother Edward's will in September 1772. He is said to have saved the life of a small boy sent to him from the country by changing his

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<sup>716</sup>*Irish Genealogist*, Vol 1 p240.

<sup>717</sup>*Finn's Lienster Journal* — 1 November 1783 – Charles TISDALL, Esq; to Miss CROKER, daughter of the late Edward CROKER, Esq

<sup>718</sup>Note: Mathew CROKER deserted from this regiment in 1784 from Lt Col (later General Sir) Ralph ABERCROMBIE's troop. (See Section 12.1)

<sup>719</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 24 August 1816 – Lately at Worcester, Charles TISDALL Esq formerly Captain in the 6th Dragoon Guards

<sup>720</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 354 Page 520 Memorial 240350.

<sup>721</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 12 April 1820 – On the 3rd inst, in Carlow, Charles TISDALL Esq of this city to Susanna fifth daughter of Harmon FITZMAURICE, Esq of Spring Hill in the Queen's county

<sup>722</sup>*Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel* — 14 May 1830 – At Swords Church, Charles TISDALL, of Millmount, near Donnybrook, Esq., to Cathrine Elizabeth, daughter of Major ST CLARE, of Clairville, Co. Dublin.

<sup>723</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 2 August 1834 – In London, after a short illness, at the residence of his father-in-law William Stirling ST CLAIR Esq, Charles TISDALL, Esq son of Capt TISDALL of the Carbineers

<sup>724</sup>Marriage settlement Registry of Deeds, Book 197 page 604 Memorial 134097. This mentions a £500 marriage portion to be matched by £500 from *Samuel* to provide for the issue of the marriage. *Falkiner's Dublin Journal* — 1–4 December 1759 – On Saturday last, Mr. Saumel CROKER, a most eminent Surgeon, to Miss OBRE, a very celebrated Beauty with a considerable fortune.

<sup>725</sup>*Wills in the Registry of Deeds*, Vol 1 No 568. His will was dated 25 January 1733-4 and narrated in a deed 17 December 1734.

treatment. This boy later became the Great Duke of Wellington. *Samuel* was a founder member of the Royal College of Surgeons Ireland in 1780 and its president in 1784<sup>726</sup>. He was also President of the new College and consultant surgeon to the Rotunda Hospital in 1784. In the 1796 Treble Dublin directory he appears as Surgeon to the Hospital and one of the Governors of the Hospital for the Relief of Poor Lying-in Women as well as a member of the Royal College of Surgeons with address Jervis Street. In the 1803 directory of Dublin has him as surgeon to the Revenue. He died in January 1817, having had issue by his wife Ann:

- Frances Diana CROKER[-KING] was born on 24 November 1760, baptised on 14 December 1760 at St Mary's Dublin, and married on 13 October 1787 at St Mary<sup>727</sup>, William Snell MAGEE of Dublin merchant. He was a Lieutenant in the Merchants Company of Volunteers from 1803. He was of Sackville Street in 1820<sup>728</sup> and of Parsons Green in 1825<sup>729</sup>. He was elected a director of the Bank of Ireland in April 1820<sup>730</sup>.
  - Rebecca MAGEE the third daughter circa 7 January 1848 married James HAMILTON of Chelsea<sup>731</sup>
  - Mary MAGEE their youngest daughter who married on 19 April 1842 Capt T P WILLIAMSON late of the 93rd Highlanders<sup>732</sup>
- *Elizabeth* CROKER born on 24 November 1761 and died the next day.
- *Elizabeth* CROKER born on 4 December 1762, baptised at St Mary's on 5 December 1762 and died on 23 July 1763
- Anne CROKER[-KING] was born on 2 December 1764, baptised at St Mary's on 4 January 1765 and married on 1 January 1785 at St Mary, John CRAMPTON second

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<sup>726</sup>*The history of Medicine in Ireland*, John F FLEETWOOD second edition 1983.

<sup>727</sup>A. E. Langman. *Marriage Entries in the Registers of the Parishes of S. Marie, S. Luke, S. Catherine, and S. Werburgh, 1627-1800*. Exeter & London: William Pollard & Co. Ltd., 1915.

See also marriage settlement Registry of Deeds Book 388, Page 388, Memorial 258711 dated 12 October 1787.

Finn's Leinster Journal — 1 October 1787 – William Snell MAGEE, to Miss CROKER-KING, daughter of Samuel CROKER-KING, esq

<sup>728</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 28 June 1820 – [Votes in] City of Dublin elections [his vote was recorded for Henry GRATTAN Esq]

<sup>729</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 2 August 1825 – On the 26th ult at Edinburgh, Robert MAGEE Esq eldest son of William Snell MAGEE Esq of Parsons Green in the co Dublin, to Jessy daughter of Richard PRENTICE Esq of Princes St Edinburgh.

<sup>730</sup> Limerick General Advertiser — 11 April 1820 – The following gentlemen have bee elected govenors and directors of the Bank of Ireland ... Directors ... Wm. S. MAGEE ...Esqrs

<sup>731</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 7 January 1848 – In Stillorgan church, James HAMILTON Esq of Chelsea London to Rebecca third daughter of the late ;William Snell MAGEE Esq of Parsons Green Sittlorgan

<sup>732</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 21 April 1842 – On the 19th inst, in Stillorgan church, Capt T P WILLIAMSON late 93d Highlanders to Mary youngest daughter of William Snell MAGEE Esq of Parsons Green

son of Alderman Philip CRAMPTON<sup>733</sup>. John was a Captain of Dragoons and later a Major in the Militia<sup>734</sup>. She died on 19 January 1845 and was buried in St Andrews church yard. He died circa 25 July 1828<sup>735</sup>.

- Edward CROKER born on 27 March 1766, baptised at St Mary's on 6 April 1766 and died on 17 December 1768.
- Elizabeth CROKER[-KING] born on 23 April 1767 and died on 22 April 1816.
- Samuel CROKER-KING born on 15 September 1768, baptised at St Mary on 19 September 1768 and died on 18 December 1768
- Edward CROKER-KING born on 3 November 1769 and died 10 May 1770
- Edward John CROKER-KING born on 2 March 1771 and died on 10 October 1785
- Samuel CROKER-KING who was born on 3 August 1773 and lived in Dublin. He was a Major in the Dublin City Militia from 12 November 1801. He died at 1:14am on 22 April 1839<sup>736</sup> and is described as of Parsons Green in the Prerogative Grant Book.
- Joseph CROKER-KING perhaps the child of Samuel CROKER-KING buried at St Mary on 30 January 1779 or 7 February 1779.
- Margaret CROKER-KING perhaps the child of Samuel CROKER-KING buried at St Mary on 30 January 1779 or 7 February 1779. She died on 5 May 1869 aged 87 years<sup>737</sup>.
- Mary CROKER-KING
- Charles CROKER-KING, an attorney<sup>738</sup>, of Dublin. He married Frances Elizabeth PERRIN eldest daughter of the late William PERRIN MD of Castle Street, Dublin, at South Cumberland Street on 10 February 1807. He was of 1 Gardens Place, County Dublin when he was granted administration of his brother's estate on 17 May 1839. He died on 3 August 1866 aged 86<sup>739</sup>. Frances Elizabeth CROKER-KING died on 31 March 1859<sup>740</sup> aged 72 years.

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<sup>733</sup> *Ibid* and *Freeman's Journal* 4–6 January 1785 — Capt CRAMPTON, son of Alderman CRAMPTON, to Miss Ann CROKER KING second daughter of Samuel CROKER KING an eminent surgeon of this city.

<sup>734</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 25 July 1828 – July 21, in Holles

<sup>735</sup> *Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel* — 25 July 1828 – In Hollis -street, Dublin, Major CRAMPTON, son of the late Alderman CRAMPTON

<sup>736</sup> *Limerick Standard* — 26 April 1839 – At Parsons Green, near Stillorgan, Samuel CROKER-KING Esq, First Major Royal City of Dublin Regiment.

<sup>737</sup> Headstone in Mount Jerome Cenetery, Dublin.

<sup>738</sup> Edward Keane, P Beryl Phair and Thomas U Sadlier (ed), *King's Inn Admission Papers 1607–1867*; Irish Manuscripts Commission, Dublin 1982. Attorney Exchequer 1805

<sup>739</sup> Headstone in Mount Jerome Cenetery, Dublin.

<sup>740</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 2 April 1859 – March 31, at No 72 Lower Gardiner Street, deeply and deservedly regretted, Frances Elizabeth, the beloved wife of Charles CROKER KING Esq.

- Samuel CROKER-KING born 9 January 1808 at 164 Great Britain Street, Dublin. He was also an attorney and was admitted in 1828 after being apprenticed to his father. He married Margaret MC CLELLAND on 6 April 1832. She died on 6 May 1854. He died on 19 December 1859.
  - Frances CROKER-KING born in 1834 and died on 16 December 1856.
  - Charles CROKER-KING
  - William CROKER-KING
  - son
- William CROKER-KING born on 4 April and baptised at St Marks, Dublin on 12 April 1810. He became an attorney after studying at Trinity College Dublin. He died on 20 November 1887 and is buried Mount Jerome Cemetery with his sister Frances.
- Charles Meredith CROKER-KING born on 28 December 1813. He married Jane eldest daughter of the late Rev Edward (John) BREDIN on 28 September 1841<sup>741</sup>. He became an MD and Local Government Commissioner. He was a lecturer in Anatomy and Physiology at Galway College in 1849<sup>742</sup>. He died 28 February 1888. Jane died 18 June 1891. He and Jane are buried at Mount Jerome Cemetery in Dublin.
  - Charles Edgar CROKER-KING (see below).
- Frances born on 3 March 1823. She married on 12 January 1858<sup>743</sup> to John Haycock HAUGHTON of Carlow. She died 3 March 1898 and is buried Mount Jerome Cemetery. Their issue include:
  - Charles Croker HAUGHTON who was baptised on 14 December 1863 at Carlow.
  - Isabella Mary HAUGHTON who died on 15 August 1889 and is buried Mount Jerome Cemetery.
- Richard CROKER-KING born on 17 February 1827. He married Elizabeth DORAN on 9 June 1857 at St Paul's, Dublin. No.11305 In | Loving Memory | of | HARRIETT | eldest daughter of | RICHARD and ELIZABETH CROKER-KING | who died on the 10th of November 1897 | Parents of above | ELIZABETH CROKER-KING | Died 15th June 1906 | And | RICHARD CROKER-KING | Died 22 April 1907
  - Frances Harriet CROKER-KING born on 10 August 1861

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<sup>741</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 30 September 1841 – On the 28th of September, Charles CROKER-KING Esq MD of Gardiners Place to Jane eldest daughter of the late Rev John BREDIN of North Great George's street [see also *Limerick Standard* 4 October 1841]

<sup>742</sup>John H Fleetwood, *The history of medicine in Ireland* second edition pp257–8

<sup>743</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 13 January 1858 – January 12, at St Thomas's church, by the Rev Samuel HAUGHTON, F.T.C.D., brother of the bridegroom, John Handcock HAUGHTON, of Carlow, Esq., to Fanny, only daughter of Charles CROKER KING, of Lower gardiner-street, Esq



- Elizabeth Caroline CROKER-KING born on 5 October 1863 and baptised at St Mary's Dublin on 18 December 1863. She died in 1871.
- Richard CROKER-KING born on 21 May 1867. He married Elizabeth Margaret O'CONNOR daughter of James O'CONNOR, a customs house officer on 21 April 1894 at St George's, Dublin. They appear in the 1911 census with no children at 14 Corn Market, Dublin.
- Rosanna CROKER-KING born on 4 October 1868
- Margaret Sarah CROKER-KING married on 18 July 1805, at St George's, Dublin, Captain Richard Robinson LODGE of Caledon, county Tyrone grandson of John LODGE author of the Peerage. Margaret died 5 May 18699 aged 87 and was buried with her brother Charles at Mount Jerome Cemetery. Their daughter Anne married<sup>744</sup> her third cousin Charles TISDALL son of Charles TISDALL and Maria CROKER (see the previous section).

Lt Colonel Charles Edgar CROKER-KING born on 19 June 1842. He was was paymaster to the 87th Regiment, Income Tax Commissioner, Honoary Secretary and Treasurer, then President of the Board of Govenors of Cheltenham Hospital and a JP in county Gloucestershire. He married firstly on 11 October 1864 in Egbaston Church near Bermingham Mary Anne HARROLD eldest daughter of William HORROLD a merchant of Bermingham. Mary Anne died on 22 April 1866 at Thorncliffe. He married secondly on 14 January 1869 Georgina Maude KINNEAR daughter of Thomas Clifton KINNEAR of Halifax, Nova Scotia. He went to Canada in 1868 on the *Hibernian* when he was a Lieutenant in the 78th Highlandrs. Georgina Maud died on 15 April 1913. He died on 10 April 1914.

- Constance Eardley CROKER-KING born on 20 March 1870 at Halifax Nova Scotia<sup>745</sup>. She married on 10 November 1897 at Christ Church Cheltenham Richard Seymin Virner DYAS eldest son of the late Jacob DYAS of Heathstown House, county Westmeath. A premature stillborn daughter was born to them on 11 March 1902.
- Ethel Maud CROKER-KING born on 27 August 1871.
- Mabel Helen CROKER-KING born on 21 March 1873.
- Charles Harold CROKER-KING (30 April 1873–25 October 1951) who became a famous American actor. He was born Rook Holme, Yorkshire. He married on 16 November 1898 at Islington Register Office Dorothy MARSDIN only daughter of Septimus MARSDIN of Ganstead Grange, Holderness and Woodfield House, Hessle. They divorced in 1917.
  - Rosemary born on 7 January 1913.
  - Charles killed in action in November 1941.
- Florence Mary CROKER-KING born on 22 December 1876. She married Captain Kenneth Russell DAVIES at Cheltenham on 11 June 1918.

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<sup>744</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 20 November 1824

<sup>745</sup>Army Births indexes — Volume 199 p 67 Halifax NS, 78th Regiment

- Gwladys Violet CROKER-KING born on 29 January 1884 and married on 15 December 1906 Leonard George CHILDE-FREEMAN eldest son of Edwin Leonard CHILDE-FREEMAN. She died on 12 October 1932.

*Charles*, fourth surviving son of Edward the elder apothecary. He was baptised at St Mary's Dublin on 19 December 1729 and he was born on 7 December. He was an attorney in Dublin<sup>746</sup>, and married Miss *Sarah* of Strand Street Dublin daughter of *John* the attorney in February 1758<sup>747</sup> (see section 5.1). As *Sarah* CROKER spinster of Dublin, she made a deed dated 20 and 21 May 1751 which was referred to in another deed she made with her husband *Charles* on 1 March 1780<sup>748</sup>. In the 1761 Directory of Dublin he appears as an Attorney of Common Pleas. He was a subsheriff of Dublin in 1772<sup>749</sup>. *Sarah* died circa 24 December 1785<sup>750</sup> and administration of her effects was granted to her husband on 6 November 1799<sup>751</sup>. *Charles* was probably also the Attorney admitted to the Court of the Exchequer from the Kings Bench in 1776<sup>752</sup>. He married secondly Louisa Frances AUCHMUTY [ACHMUTY or AZMUTY] at Fosterstown, County Meath, circa 27 July 1786<sup>753</sup> by prerogative licence dated 11 July 1786. He died on 25 October 1817<sup>754</sup> and on 28 October 1817 at St Mary. He was involved in a lawsuit in 1810 relating to the lands of Backstown which he had some revisionary rights presumably through his first wife<sup>755</sup>. She died on 6 October 1848 aged 85<sup>756</sup> and was buried at St Mary's, Dublin on 9 October. He had issue by his second wife:

- *William Robert* of Dublin. Admitted attorney at the Kings Inns in 1806 aged over 16. He married on 21 June 1827<sup>757</sup> at St George's church by Dublin licence Louisa Anne SUTHERLAND daughter of Captain Hugh Alexander SUTHERLAND of the tenth foot and of Pitfour, Sutherlandshire<sup>758</sup>. He died on 5 August 1835 when administration was granted to his widow. He was buried at St Mary's on 6 August 1835 at age 42. She died on 9 November 1889 at 26 Middle Gardiner Street, Dublin.

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<sup>746</sup>Probably the *Charles* admitted to Kings Inns as an attorney of the Court of Exchequer with no date.

<sup>747</sup>*Falkiner's Dublin Journal* — 25–28 February 1758 – Last week, Mr Charles CROKER, an eminent Attorney at Law, to Miss CROKER of Strand Street with a very large fortune.

<sup>748</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 149 Page 66 Memorial 98882 and Book 434 Page 124 Memorial 280708.

<sup>749</sup>*Finns Leinster Journal* — 28 March 1772

<sup>750</sup>*Freeman's Journal* 24–27 December 1785 — In Mary Street Mrs CROKER wife of Charles CROKER Esq.

<sup>751</sup>Prerogative Administrations, Phillips Mss, National Archives Dublin and Genealogical Office.

<sup>752</sup>*Kings Inns Admission Papers*.

<sup>753</sup>*Freeman's Journal* 27–29 July 1785 — At Fosterstown, County Meath, Charles CROKER Esq to Miss ACHMUTY.

<sup>754</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 29 October 1817 – On Saturday last, in North Earl Street, Charles CROKER Esq for many years an eminent solicitor.

<sup>755</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 21 February 1810 page 3

<sup>756</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 13 October 1848 – On the 6th instant, in Upper Dorset-street, aged 85 years, Louisa relict of Charles CROKER Esq.

<sup>757</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 25 June 1827.

<sup>758</sup>Marriage settlement in Registry of Deeds – Book 825 Page 513 Memorial 555448.

- *Clymentina Isabella* who married Richard WELSH, Esq of Cavan at Clontarf on 23 August 1834<sup>759</sup>. Her brother *William Robert* was a witness to the wedding.
- *Louisa Maria* who married Thomas BOYS Esq of the West Indies Rangers by prerogative licence in on 18 January 1817 at St Mary's, Dublin, when she was described as the second daughter<sup>760</sup>.
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<sup>759</sup>*Limerick Chronicle* — 23 August 1834

<sup>760</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 22 January 1817 – On the 18th inst, thomas BOYS, Esq of the West Indies Rangers, to Louisa Maria, second daugjhter of Charles CROKER Esq of Sackville Street

## Tallow

*Walter* was probably the fourth son of Christopher of Ballyleary (see section 13.1). By his father's will<sup>761</sup> he was to receive the reversion of a proportion of the parental estate after his mother's death. It is not known when she died, but it is probable that *Walter* sold his share to his brother James after he returned from the West Indies with the money he made there. The sale probably occurred before 1696<sup>762</sup>. These facts together with the tradition that he was of Tallow indicate that, having been a merchant of Cork, he was the CROKER of Tallow, County Waterford, Merchant, who was admitted Mr Mayor's freeman of Cork on 2 August 1702<sup>763</sup>. He married, apparently before his father's will was drawn up, to a daughter of Reginald BRAY<sup>764</sup>. He was buried at Castletownroche on 22 May 1741. They had issue:

- *William* of Ballykeaton, whose will was proved at Cloyne in 1704<sup>765</sup>. His widow Elizabeth, married William WIDENHAM by Cloyne licence in 1704. She was living a widow at Glanworth, County Cork, in 1741<sup>766</sup>. She was also witness to her brother John's will in 1739.
- *Catherine*, married John ASHE by a Cork and Ross licence in 1709. He was of Glanworth, County Cork, in 1741, when he made his will<sup>767</sup>. He died that year and Catherine married again by Cloyne licence in 1741 to James BENNETT the elder of Ballynureany, County Limerick, a widower with two children. Their marriage settlement had a provision for £10 per annum for life for Catherine from the lands of Tankardstown and Ballinoreeny and reserved the power to will and devise certain lands to Catherine<sup>768</sup>. In 1753 she and her husband executed a deed<sup>769</sup> by which the property, probably from the marriage settlement with John ASHE, was settled on her nephew John who had married her BENNETT step-daughter, and James BENNETT Snr made a settlement on his son who had married Catherine's niece Elizabeth.
- *John* of Tallow (see below).

*John*, the younger son of *Walter*, was born in 1694. He was of Tallow, so presumably inherited whatever property or business his father had there. His first wife was Aphra, daughter of Francis STRONGMAN<sup>770</sup>: they were married by Cloyne licence in 1717. He

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<sup>761</sup>Dated 1691 and proved Cloyne in 1692.

<sup>762</sup>When James is thought to have married. He was of Ballyleary when he died in 1705.

<sup>763</sup>The Mayor was John Whiting. This nomination evidently caused much resentment, for on 27 February 1702/3 the then Mayor was deprived of this right and paid £5 per annum in lieu.

<sup>764</sup>*John Wilson's* pedigree in *Burkes Landed Gentry* 1849. There is no proof that *Walter* was a son of *Christopher* but the evidence supports it.

<sup>765</sup>Again, there is no proof that he was son of *Walter* but the later links with Ballykeating suggest it.

<sup>766</sup>Witness to will of John ASHE, see next footnote.

<sup>767</sup>*Wills in the Registry of Deeds*, Vol 2, No 236. [195.430.130943]

<sup>768</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 140 Page 454 Memorial 95977 dated 25 and 26 February 1741/2.

<sup>769</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 181 Page 131 Memorial 122256.

<sup>770</sup>Spelt STRONGMAN in the printed marriage licence list. Betham has it as STRANGMAN which is believed to be correct.

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married secondly Anne, nee SARGENT. She was the daughter of William SARGENT and Aphra BENDER. Anne lived at Ballykeating in her widowhood. She died on 16 June 1762. John died aged 48, and his will was proved 6 August 1742<sup>771</sup>. By his first wife he had issue:

- *Walter* of Tallow (see below).

His children by his second wife were:

- *Margaret* married Thomas BENDER of Glinane evidently a relation with the same name as her grandmother. Her daughter:
  - Mary BENDER married James BONWELL of the City of Cork in 1773. Her death was reported in the Cork Gazette and General Advertiser on 23 July 1794 where her husband is referred to as a banker and indicates that they had children.
- *John* of Airhill, County Cork (see section 16.1).
- *Elizabeth* married James BENNETT the younger of the City of Cork, victualler, in 1750 by a Cloyne licence. He was step-son of her aunt Catherine BENNETT alias ASHE alias CROKER.
- *William*, perhaps the Chandler of Cork City who was admitted freeman-at-large in 1761<sup>772</sup>. He was of Carrig, County Cork when he was named executor of his brother's will in 1771 but of Johnstown (Ballyshane?) in that County in 1784 when he acted as executor in the sale of a bond<sup>773</sup>. He was made Justice of the Peace for the County Cork circa 9 February 1785<sup>774</sup>. In 1801 he was of Johnstown when his own will was proved in the Prerogative Court. He married secondly, in May 1781<sup>775</sup>, to Mary RYALL<sup>776</sup>, widow, by a Cork and Ross licence. They had two daughters only one surviving to adulthood:
  - *Martha* who was a life in a deed in 1774 but seems to have died before 1801.
  - *Elizabeth*, who married the Honourable Rev Frederick Ferriter MULLINS, son of Lord Ventry, by a Cork and Ross licence dated 1800<sup>777</sup>. He died 30 December 1832<sup>778</sup>. She was executrix of her father's will<sup>779</sup>.

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<sup>771</sup>His great grandson *John Wilson* gave the date of death as 1743.

<sup>772</sup>City of Cork Records.

<sup>773</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 366 Page 61 Memorial 243771.

<sup>774</sup>*Freeman's Journal* 9 February 1785.

<sup>775</sup>*Freeman's Journal* 5–8 May 1781 — At St Peter's Church, William CORKER (sic) of Johnstown Esq to the widow RYALL of Hammond's marsh.

<sup>776</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 641 Page 230 Memorial 228239 — The parties are the groom and bride, John CROKER of Airhill and John LINDSAY of the southern liberties of Cork. The latter may be Mary's brother or other relative.

<sup>777</sup>*Freeman's Journal* 10 January 1801 — At Cork, the Hon Frederick Ferriter MULLINS to Miss CROKER of Johnstown

<sup>778</sup>*Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel* — 4 January 1833 — At Beaufort House, Kerry, after a long and severe illness, the Hon. and Rev. Frederick MULLINS, Rector of Killiny, and father of the Member for Kerry.

- Frederick William MULLINS, (29 June 1804 – 17 March 1854) MP for County Kerry 1831–37
- Rev. William MULLINS (DE MOLEYNS) born 15 July 1806 and died on 5 March 1863. He married Katherine Maria Rochfort RAE.
- Alured DE MOLEYNS born on 1 July 1807 and died on 3 August 1859

*Walter*, eldest son of John was born in 1718. He succeeded his father at Tallow, and was a party to the 1753 ASHE-BENNETT settlement on his half brother and sister<sup>780</sup>. He married Sarah, sister of Edward DEVEREAUX<sup>781</sup>. He also leased some of the Tallow commons in 1754<sup>782</sup>. *Walter* died in 1787 aged 69 and was buried at Tallow<sup>783</sup>. He and Sarah had issue:

- *John* of the Customs and Excise (see below).
- *William* who was buried at Tallow on 13 November 1775.
- *Strangman* who trained as a surgeon and was for some time First Surgeon's Mate in a ship of the line in the Royal Navy. He was locally appointed an Assistant Surgeon in the Madras Presidency in September 1775 and promoted to Surgeon on 1 April 1780. He died at Aske, near Ganjam in July 1782<sup>784</sup>. His will dated 20 July 1782 at Ganjam and proved in the Mayoral Court of Madras 18 May 1784<sup>785</sup> mentions his father *Walter* of Galway and his unnamed sisters. [Note there is an entry in the Burial register for St Fin Barre, Cork for Strangman CROKER dated 17 September 1782]
- *Eliza*;
- *Sarah*; and
- *Aphra* at least two of the last three were alive when Strangman made his will. Aphra was alive in 1810 when a rent charge she received was mentioned in a deed<sup>786</sup>.

*John*, eldest son of *Walter* and Sarah was probably born in 1742. He entered the Revenue Service, serving initially in or near Cork, in 1766 he was at Kinsale and later at Newport, County Mayo<sup>787</sup>. He appears to have been stationed at Galway prior to 1780 until his return

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<sup>779</sup> National Archives Ireland Commissioners of Charitable Donations Volume 1 p5. – William CROKER, of Johnstown, County Cork, Esq, his will dated 29<sup>th</sup> May, 1788. Administration granted to Elizabeth, CROKER, the daughter of deceased, and the residuary legatee in Will 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 1801. £30 to poor housekeepers and widows of Glanworth £6 for 5 Christmas eves.

<sup>780</sup> See 15.1ii.

<sup>781</sup> Probably of Tallow. The will of Thomas DEVEREUX of Tallow, clothier, was proved in the Prerogative Court in January 1771. It only mentions his wife, sons and daughters.

<sup>782</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 169 Page 537 Memorial 114847.

<sup>783</sup> Betham pedigrees. Tallow Church and churchyard have been stripped of all monuments etc prior to 1975. They were being used as a builder's store and yard at that time.

<sup>784</sup> Crawford's *Roll of the Indian Medical Service*.

<sup>785</sup> Copy in the India Office Collection of the British Library.

<sup>786</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 634 Page 423 Memorial 43619, dated 25 September 1810.

<sup>787</sup> Myron Franklin Brightfield [1897-??], *John Wilson Croker*, Allen and Unwin, London (1940).

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to Cork in 1786<sup>788</sup>. *John* was at Waterford in 1792 when his son's marriage settlement<sup>789</sup> was executed and was still there in 1796<sup>790</sup>. In 1800 he was appointed Surveyor General of Customs and Excise for the Port of Dublin, with a salary of £800 per annum and living quarters in the Dublin Custom House<sup>791</sup>. In 1807 he appointed his eldest son as his deputy while he visited his younger son — newly elected as a Member of Parliament in London. In 1810 *John* was superannuated of full salary of £1,100 on account of ill health<sup>792</sup>. *John* died at North End Road, London and was buried Corabella, County Tipperary at the end of March 1814 in his seventy-third year<sup>793</sup>. He was described by Edmund BURKE as 'a man of great abilities and most amiable manners; an able and upright public steward, and universally beloved and respected in public life'<sup>794</sup>. *John* was twice married; firstly, in 1766 before October that year<sup>795</sup> by Cork and Ross licence, to Catherine WELSTED daughter of John WELSTED; and secondly, to Hester, only daughter of Reverend Richard RATHBORNE of Craughvella, county Galway, sister of Wilson RATHBORNE, Lieutenant RN and granddaughter of Admiral George WILSON. (Betham will abstract — Jonathan WILSON of Dublin gent will dated 11 June 1744 proved 11 October 1745 mentions daughter Mary married twice firstly to ? BRADLEY and secondly to the Reverend Richard RATHBORNE together with sons Paschal and Jonathan and daughter Hester.) Hester may be the Mrs Hester of Cove who died 3 April 1798 aged 48 and was buried at Ballinakill, county Waterford. By his first wife he had issue:

- *Walter* of Corabella, County Tipperary (see below).
- *Catherine*, who married Captain William MILLER of the Londonderry militia and son of John MILLER<sup>796</sup> of Moneymore, County Londonderry, in July 1796<sup>797</sup>. At the time

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<sup>788</sup>*Croker Papers*, editor Louis J Jennings 1885. Note his father stayed with him for some of this period as *Strangman's* will gives his father being of Galway.

<sup>789</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 462 Page 132 Memorial 194648 dated 16 October 1792.

<sup>790</sup>*Directory of Waterford 1796*.

<sup>791</sup>PRO Kew CUST20, and Brightfield op cit. See also British Parliamentary papers 1809 Volume 7. He was paid £1000 in addition to his salary. He was superannuated in 1810 with a pension of £1,100.

<sup>792</sup>British Parliamentary Papers, Sessional Papers Vol 12, sub-volume 1 (1810).

<sup>793</sup>Newspaper report dated 31 March 1814 stating aged 74, abstracted in Casey V 4 p2466 and another dated 9 April states in his 73<sup>rd</sup> year, Casey V 7 p1572; *Limerick General Advertiser* — 6 May 1814 — At Corabella, near Ardfinnan, on Friday night last aged 74 years, John CROKER Esq formerly Surveyor General and father of Walter CROKER Esq and of John Wilson CROKER Esq Secretary to the Admiralty.

*La Belle Assemblée; or, Bell's Court and Fashionable Magazine* — 1 May 1814 — In the seventy-third year of his age, John CROKER, Esq. late Surveyor-General of Ireland, and father to the Secretary of the Admiralty. In private life he was one of the best and most amiable of men. In the public service, in which he was engaged for half a century, he discharged his duties with ability not often equaled, and with an integrity that was never excelled.

<sup>794</sup>*Croker Papers*, V1 p4.

<sup>795</sup>Registry of Deeds Book 252 Page 235 Memorial 162827

<sup>796</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 16 November 1820 — Deaths: On Saturday last, John MILLER Esq of Moneymore, father of the Collector of Excise in Londonderry.

of his eldest daughter Catherine's marriage he was of Bellemonte, county Londonderry. He died on 22 January 1834 aged 60 and she died on 10 July 1860 aged 91 years<sup>798</sup>. The had issue:

- John MILLER (1797-1878) married on 25 January 1823 at Kensington Parish Church, Middlesex, England, Lydia Wright WEST, daughter of John WEST, Solicitor, London and Elizabeth Janet GEERING. He died on 27 January 1878 at Wandsworth, Surrey. Lydia, died in October 1879 in West Ham, Essex
- William MILLER (1798-1824) married on 25 January 1823 at Kensington Parish Church, Middlesex, England, Martha Carolina WEST, daughter of John WEST, Solicitor, London and Elizabeth Janet GEERING. He became a clerk at the Admiralty<sup>799</sup>. He died on 19 February 1824. Martha married secondly Major Kenneth Alexander de KOVEN at St Luke's, Chelsea on 12 December 1829.
- Croker MILLER born 26 February 1805. He had a career in the army and militia. He married on 9 October 1834 at St James Church, Sydney, Matilda KINCHELA daughter of John KINCHELA Attorney General of New South Wales. Croker died at Londonderry on 16 July 1857<sup>800</sup>. A number of his children came to Victoria. Their children include:
  - Henena Matilda MILLER who died at Bedford on 18 December 1859<sup>801</sup>.
  - Rowley Croker MILLER,
  - Catherine Croker MILLER,
  - George Skipton MILLER;
- Wilson MILLER;
- Catherine MILLER who married on 17 August 1821 James MAJOR, barrister at law of Foyle View, county Londonderry<sup>802</sup>. He later became a QC in Ireland and

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<sup>797</sup> Marriage settlement Registry of Deeds, Book 502 Page 147 Memorial 324230. *Freeman's Journal* 14 July 1796 — Captain MILLER of the Londonderry Militia to Miss Catherine CROKER daughter of John CROKER Esq of Waterford.

<sup>798</sup> *Journal of the Association for the preservation of the memorial of the dead in Ireland*, Vol IX 1917 p 309; Derry Cathedral Burial-Ground – Horizontal stone:— Sacred to the memory of | WILLIAM MILLER Esqr of this City | who departed this life the 22nd of Jany | 1834 in the 61st year of his age. | Also to the memory of | MARY his third daughter who died | 5th August 1825 aged 18 years. | Blessed are the dead who died in the Lord, j Rev. 14. 13. | Also to the memory of his third son | Captain CKOKER MILLER | of the 17th Regt | who died 16th July 1857 aged 52 | Also to the memory of | CATHERINE wife of the said | William Miller | who died 10th July 1860 | aged 91 years.

<sup>799</sup> *Bell's Life in London and Sporting Chronicle* — 3 March 1822 – Thursday, Mr. William MILLER, a clerk in the Admiralty, and nephew of J. W. CROKER, Esq. appeared before Sir R BIRNIE, to answer to a charge of rape preferred against him by Miss Eliza SHARMAN, a young lady residing at No. 22, Charles Street, Queen's Elm, Brompton. The evidence of the latter went to substantiate the charge, but several other persons being called, proved conduct on her part of so light a character, that the Magistrate dismissed the complaint.

<sup>800</sup> *The Irish-American* (New York City) — 22 August 1857 – In Londonderry, Croker MILLER, Esq, formerly Capt. in the 17th Regiment. [A copy of the entry in the *Freeman's Journal* of 29 July 1857]

<sup>801</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 23 December 1859 – December 18, at Bedford, Helena Matilda, eldest daughter of the late Croker MILLER, Londonderry, formerly Captain in the 17th Regiment



was one of the trustees of *John Wilson's* will. The birth of a son at her father's seat, Bellemonte, was reported in the *Freeman's Journal* of 12 September 1822 and a daughter on 11 May 1825.

- Margaret MILLER.
- Mary MILLER, the third daughter, who died aged 18 on 5 August 1825 at Bellmonte<sup>803</sup>.

By his second wife Hester he had a number of children who died in infancy buried at St Fin Barre, Cork and the following:

- *William Rathborne* who was baptised at St Finbarre, Cork on 14 May 1790.
- *John Wilson* of Molesey Grove, Surrey (see page 140).
- *Richard* born 1786. Died in Ireland August 1817.
- *Sarah Hester* born 1788. She married as his second wife the Very Reverend James Forward BOND, Dean of Ross at Londonderry, on 15 March 1815<sup>804</sup>. Her death on 18 August 1820 was reported in the Dublin newspapers<sup>805</sup> presumably arising from complications after the still birth of a son on 8 August 1820<sup>806</sup>.
  - Son whose birth was reported in the *Freeman's Journal* on 21 August 1816 and who seems to have predeceased his brother John Croker BOND.
  - John Croker BOND who died in London on 8 March 1828 aged ten<sup>807</sup>.

*Walter*, only son of *John* of the Customs and Excise by his first wife Catherine, was born in 1767. He was admitted a freeman-at-large of Cork City on 16 May 1792, having served James GREGG; both were described as 'gent' which in this context suggests attorney<sup>808</sup>. No evidence has been found of him practising on his own in Cork, and he may have never done so. He was described as of Clonmel, County Tipperary soon after this so may have practised there. On 1 November 1792, he married Margaret, daughter of Garrett NAGLE<sup>809</sup> (deceased)

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<sup>802</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 23 August 1821

<sup>803</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 13 August 1825

<sup>804</sup>Newspaper report abstracted in Casey, V 8 p2468. Also see *Limerick General Advertiser* — 21 March 1815.

<sup>805</sup>*Croker Papers*, V 1 p206 state that she was alive in 1821.

<sup>806</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 15 August 1820 – On the 8th inst, at Stephens Green, the Lady of the Ver Rev the Dean of Ross, of a son still born.

<sup>807</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 15 March 1828 – At Kensington, near London, on the the 8th of March in the eleventh year of his age and after a few days illness John Croker BOND eldest son of the Very Rev, the Dean of Ross, and nephew to John Wilson CROKER, Esq MP.

<sup>808</sup>*Cork Corporation Records*. Attorneys had style 'gent' according to *Irish Genealogy*.

<sup>809</sup>Garrett was a Roman Catholic, who married a Protestant heiress, Elizabeth FORWARD, (Cloyne 1765) and thus fell foul of the *Penal Laws*. He then became a Protestant (Convert Rolls 1766) and remarried her (Prerogative marriage licence 1766). The *Freeman's Journal* on 18 November 1817 reported "On the 9th inst, aged 75, Mrs Elizabeth NAGLE daughter of late William FORWARD Esq and relict of Garret NAGLE Esq of Fermoy". William FORWARD's death at Fermoy was reported in

of Derryrolane, County Cork, at Christ Church, Cork<sup>810</sup>. Margaret's mother was something of an heiress, so the marriage settlement may have enabled *Walter* to live without working. *Walter* was a party to the marriage settlement of Elizabeth NAGLE (presumably a sister of Margaret) and Lieutenant Philip DONOVAN, RN, dated 16 August 1794 when *Walter* was described as of Beachmont, county Cork. He was Barrack-Master of Clonmel in the *Treble Almanack* of 1814 and at the time of his death for which he would have received a stipend. He may, perhaps, have acted as his father's deputy for a short time in 1807-08, but this is not at all certain<sup>811</sup>. *Walter* described as of Clonmel was involved in a deed with William GREGG, attorney at law in 1810<sup>812</sup>. *Walter* lived at Corabella, County Tipperary<sup>813</sup> from before 1814<sup>814</sup> and died there, from a stroke, on 15 August 1817<sup>815</sup>. His will dated 25 March 1816<sup>816</sup> and proved in the Prerogative Court in 1817<sup>817</sup>, appointed Richard, Earl of Donoughmore and *John Wilson* as trustees and guardians of his children, together with his wife 'during her widowhood but no longer'. She moved to Blackrock, County Cork after *Walter*'s death, where she died on 22 June 1820<sup>818</sup>. The children of *Walter* and Margaret were:

- A daughter who died at Clonmel on 14 January 1812<sup>819</sup>.
- John, a minor in March 1816, is mentioned in his father's will, under which he was to receive all *Walter*'s personal and real estate except the sums specifically bequeathed to the wife and daughters. *John* was living with his cousins at Woodville in 1825 and described as late of Corbella in County Tipperary. At that time he was in financial difficulties relating to a judgement debt of £600 which led him to assign his life interest the lands of Tinegrarah, County Cork away. According to *John Wilson* and

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the *Freeman's Journal* 6–9 October 1764. Marriage settlement at Registry of Deeds, Book 462 Page 132 Memorial 294648

<sup>810</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 10 November 1792 – Cork November 5, ... Last Thursday, *Walter CROKER*, of this city, Esq; to Miss Margaret NAGLE, daughter of the late Garrett NAGLE, of Fermoy, Esq.

Newspaper report abstracted Casey, V 7, p1437 and V 8, p2408. See also *Freeman's Journal* 13–15 November 1792

<sup>811</sup> Brightfield, *John Wilson Croker*.

<sup>812</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 610 Page 494 Memorial 427987.

<sup>813</sup> See Mary Cecilia LYONS, *Illustrated Encumbered Estates*, Ballynakella Press, Whitegate, County Clare, (1993) p77 has a reproduction of an etching of Corabella House — Rectangular front of three levels and five sets of windows with a simple covered porch.

<sup>814</sup> Newspaper report abstracted in Casey, V 8, p2466.

<sup>815</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 19 August 1817 – On Friday last, of an apoplectic fit, *Walter CROKER* Esq, Barrack-Master of Clonmel and brother of *John Wilson CROKER* Esq, Secretary of the Admiralty.

<sup>816</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — Tuesday 2 April 1816 – Tuesday [26 March] morning a duel took place at the Dublin Turnpike, near Cork, between *Walter CROKER* Esq and *Webber CARLETON* Esq and after exchanging shots without injury to either party, the business was adjusted

<sup>817</sup> Copy in possession of Miss E M PENNELL in 1957. See Appendix G

<sup>818</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 14 July 1820 – At Blackrock, Cork, Mrs CROKER, relict of the late *Walter CROKER* Esq of Clonmel and sister-in-law of *John Wilson CROKER* Esq of the Admiralty. Also Newspaper report abstracted in Casey, V 7 p1587.

<sup>819</sup> *Clare Journal* — 16 January 1812 – Tuesday last in Clonmel after a short illness Miss CROKER.

Donnoughmore's correspondence held at the Clements Library, Ann Arbor, *John* bit of a reprobate. *John Wilson* personally paid off his debts to Donnoughmore and intervened to stop him – reputedly – embezzling his sisters' small inheritance<sup>820</sup>. No other information about him has come to light. He may have emigrated; but it seems more likely that the influence of some of his NAGLE relatives led to him becoming a Roman Catholic, and thus being ostracised by his Protestant kin.

- *Catherine*. Born circa 1801. After their mother's death in February 1820, she and her sister became wards of their uncle *John Wilson* and were taken to England. Within three months of their arrival the CROKERS were plunged into deep and prolonged grief by the death of their only son. On 15 September 1820 Catherine married Mrs CROKER's brother William PENNELL at St Martin-in-the-Fields, London by a Faculty Office marriage licence dated the previous day. He had been appointed Naval Storekeeper at the Simonstown Dockyard, Cape of Good Hope. He was promoted to the same post at Portsmouth in 1828<sup>821</sup>, which he held for about twenty years. In 1834 she and her sister petitioned the Treasury for their patrimony, which had come into its hands: but it seems unlikely they ever received it<sup>822</sup>. She died at Kensington, London on 29 December 1871<sup>823</sup>. He at East Mosely, Surrey in 1867. Their children include:
  - Rosemond Catherine PENNELL who married Edward GIFFARD eldest son of Sir Hardinge GIFFARD, Chief Justice of Ceylon on 14 November 1844, at Kingstown<sup>824</sup>.
- *Margaret*. Born 1803. Given the choice of staying with the CROKER's or accompanying her sister to the Cape, she chose the latter course. There she met and married William's cousin Lovell PENNELL, an Assistant Commissary General, whom she married 22 June 1826. He was stationed in Mauritius from 1827 until put on half pay in 1843. Early in 1848 he was sent to Montreal, Canada, to assist the civil authorities in dealing with the immigration crisis<sup>825</sup>. The following year he was posted to Jamaica to succeed a victim of yellow fever. Margaret died there on 7 January 1851 and was buried at Half Way Tree<sup>826</sup>. Lovell died there three years later. Their children were:
  - Lovell Walter William PENNELL
  - Rosamund Maria PENNELL
  - Nonie Jane PENNELL

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<sup>820</sup> E-mail from Robert Portsmouth.

<sup>821</sup> Known unofficially as Governor of the Dockyard.

<sup>822</sup> See Appendix H.

<sup>823</sup> She was described by her granddaughter Jane LANDON as 'being very Irish, and an untidy, big looking woman who was fond of gardening'.

<sup>824</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 15 November 1844

<sup>825</sup> Caused by a ten fold increase, mostly Irish, the previous summer. See *Passage to America*.

<sup>826</sup> Memorial tablet in St Andrew's Church there (MI in Jamaica No482). Her granddaughter E M Pennell was told that she was a gay, cheerful woman with a passion for dancing.

- Croker Lovell Baker PENNELL who was born in Mauritius and was recorded in the 1851 Canadian census a student aged 14 in the parish of St Joseph Chambly (county) Quebec.
- George William Henry PENNELL
- Emma Louisa PENNELL
- Walter William PENNELL

*John Wilson*<sup>827</sup> was the elder son of the second marriage of *John* of the Customs and Excise. He was born in Galway on 20 December 1780; attended Trinity College, Dublin 1797–1800; read law at Lincoln's Inn, London. He was called to the Irish Bar in 1802 and set up practice in Dublin, attaching himself to the Munster Circuit. He entered Parliament as the member for Downpatrick in 1806<sup>828</sup>, he lost Downpatrick in 1812<sup>829</sup> and sat (for various constituencies) in every Parliament until 1832. His pamphlet *The state of Ireland past and present* (considered worth reprinting in 1884) brought him to the notice of the Prime Minister in 1808; but he made his name as junior in the defence of the Duke of York in the Army bribes scandal, January to March 1809. He was rewarded with the office of First Secretary to the Admiralty<sup>830</sup>, a post he held for the next twenty-one years. Within a month of taking office he detailed a large defalcation in the accounts, but had to threaten to resign before he was taken seriously<sup>831</sup>. During the years 1813 to 1815, by virtue of his office and the Admiralty telegraph, he occasionally reported important news directly to the Prince Regent who quickly took him into favour. Having no heir, he refused a baronetcy in 1828, but was made Privy Councillor in lieu.

Although in favour of the abolition of the 'rotten boroughs' he was a formidable opponent of the Reform Bill of 1832, and did not stand for Parliament after it was passed. *John Wilson* became acquainted with the future Duke of WELLINGTON in 1806 when he was appointed Chief Secretary of Ireland. Two years later when WELLESLEY was appointed to command in the Peninsular, *John Wilson* was named as deputy, to speak in the House on Irish affairs. Their friendship on both the personal and political level grew closer with age, and the Duke later gave him the cloak he had worn at Waterloo<sup>832</sup>.

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<sup>827</sup>Primarily from the *Dictionary of National Biography* and Myron F Brightfield's biography. See also Robert Portsmouth, *John Wilson Croker – Irish Ideas and the Invention of Modern Conservatism*, Irish Academic Press (2010).

<sup>828</sup>On a petition, after the candidate withdrew. This appears to have been an interesting election. *Limerick General Advertiser* — 16 October 1812 –

<sup>829</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 27 October 1812 – The contest for the borough of Downpatrick was decided in favour of Mr. HAWTHORE, on Monday last— at the final close of the poll he had a majority of 36 over Mr. CROKER. The contest was extremely warm— Major SWAN has been taken into custody, charged with abusing electors; he was, however, immediately bailed for the offence.

<sup>830</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 16 October 1809 – London October 12, ... The Hon. Wellesley POLE is making preparations to proceed to Ireland as Chief Secretary, as the return of the Hon. Robert Dundas SAUNDERS is daily expected, when he will kiss hands and take his seat in the Cabinet. Mr. CROKER is mentioned as successor to Mr. POLE, as secretary to the Admiralty.

<sup>831</sup>The perpetrator was a personal friend of George III who, when CROKER was proved right sent him a warm assurance of satisfaction at his zeal in doing his duty, and his firmness in resisting his (the King's) own suggestions.

<sup>832</sup>Later lent to Madam Tussaud's where it was destroyed in the fire in the 1920's.

Much less happy was his friendship with the Marquis of Hertford, who provided a pocket borough for *John Wilson* on three occasions, and for whom he acted as unpaid estates manager. The Marquis was ostracised by ‘society’ when his life became openly dissolute, but *John Wilson* refused to break with him, and in consequence was much criticised and lampooned<sup>833</sup>.

*John Wilson* was active in other fields. He was one of the founders of the Quarterly Review in 1809, (although he was not a regular contributor until after 1832). He was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society in 1810. In addition, he was a prime mover in the foundation of the Athenaeum Club in 1824 and one of the charter members of the Royal Geographical Society. His edition of Boswell’s *Life of Johnson* was published in 1831, and he was a friend of BYRON, SCOTT and the publisher John MURRAY.

He made many enemies in Parliament by his abrasive style of speaking in debate. This may have been adopted originally to mask a slight stammer which he never entirely mastered. Mrs ARBUTHNOT, no friend to him in the early years of their acquaintance, wrote in 1831:

‘If he had a little more tact and more urbanity, he might be anything; but everybody in the House dislikes him and it is a pity if [?as] he is an excellent good man full of talent’<sup>834</sup>

His home was Munster House, Fulham, until 1828, when he leased and later bought Molesey Grove, West Moseley, Surrey. While in office he had living quarters at the Admiralty, and in 1820 George IV granted him a grace and favour residence in Kensington Palace, where his widow lived. He also owned a house at Alverstoke, near Portsmouth. He married Rosamond Carrington PENNELL at Waterford on 23 May 1806. She was the daughter of William PENNELL and Elizabeth CARRINGTON<sup>835</sup>, a merchant of that city<sup>836</sup> and she was born on 1 March 1789. *John Wilson* died at Hampton<sup>837</sup>, Middlesex, on 10 August 1857; his widow at Kensington Palace on 7 November 1880<sup>838</sup>. *Rosamond* was living at Leamington Priors, Warwickshire, at the time of the 1861 census. They together with their son are buried at West Molesey<sup>839</sup>. *John Wilson* and *Rosamond* had issue:

- *Rosamond Hester Elizabeth*, born in Ely Place, Dublin 15 February 1807, but died the same day.
- *Spencer Perceval*, born at the Admiralty, London 31 January 1817. He died there on 15 May 1820.

Three years after the death of their son, they adopted Mrs CROKER’s sister:

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<sup>833</sup> Eg as Rigby in Disraeli’s *Coningby*.

<sup>834</sup> ?*House of Commons Journal* V 2 p430.

<sup>835</sup> *Freeman’s Journal* — 27 June 1835 – On the 11th inst, at Topham, the Rev James CARRINGTON, first Prebendary of the Cathedral of Exeter &c &c nephew to Dr LARINGTON former Lord Bishop of Exeter, and grandfather to Mrs John Wilson CROKER, aged 81.

<sup>836</sup> Later Consul in Brazil.

<sup>837</sup> *The Times* — 13 August 1857 – On the 10th inst, at St Alban’s-bank, Hampton, the Rt Hon John Wilson CROKER in the 77th year of his age

<sup>838</sup> Civil Registration Deaths Volume 1a folio 291.

<sup>839</sup> See *Irish Graves in England – a series of articles by Michael McDonagh* Dublin 1888.

- Rosamond Hester Elizabeth PENNELL, born 5 January 1810, the twenty-first child of William and Elizabeth and known as Nony CROKER. She married at West Molesey, George BARROW (he succeeded as second baronet, 22 October 1832 – 27 February 1876) on 23 July 1832<sup>840</sup>; and died at East Moseley, Surrey 10 January 1906. She was the subject of a fine portrait by LAWRENCE in 1827<sup>841</sup>. She was the subject of a scathing letter to the papers in 1837 regarding her state pension of £300 per annum<sup>842</sup>. Their children were:

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<sup>840</sup>Limerick Chronicle — 28 July 1832 – At West Molesey, the seat of the Rt Hon J E CROKER, George BARROW Esq, eldest son of John BARROW, Secretary of the Admiralty, to Miss CROKER

<sup>841</sup>Now in the Peirpoint Morgan Collection of the New York Metropolitan Museum of Art. This portrait was used on the cover of Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice*, New York: Bantam Library paperback edition, 1981. Apparently owned personally by J. P. Morgan but has been more recently in the Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Buffalo, N.Y.

<sup>842</sup>Public Ledger and Daily Advertiser – 26 January 1837: PENSIONS. To the Editor of the Constitutional

Sir,—The notorious the public money. applied in the payment of pensions the relations and friends he aristocracy, has, it is to be hoped, now become to generally known throughout the kingdom, and has deservedly excited such disgust in the mind every thinking man, that the opposers to a revision of the pension list will not, it is to be believed, be so numerous in the next division upon it as they have hitherto been, the fear of losing their seals at the next election weighing largely with many of the representatives in their votes on this and other popular measures.

The question the people now naturally ask themselves is, why should we, who labour hard, daily, to support a wife, and perhaps seven children each, called upon to maintain our aged parents likewise, when we find that men who are in the receipt of thousands and tens of thousands per annum (and in many cases a great part of these sums are paid them by the state), are allowed to escape similar demand, and are permitted to tax the nation with the support of their poor relations? Why, for example, should the Dowager Countess of Rothes receive above £400 a year from the public purse? Did her husband ever do any service to the state, or who, or what was and why should Lady Anne Culling Smith entitled to £600 per annum? cannot her affluent brothers the Duke of Wellington, the Marquis Wellesley, Lords Cowley and Maryborough afford, out their splendid incomes, to subscribe £150, a year, each, towards the support of their sister? or why should nearly thousand other ladies be thus supported out of the public purse? Again, we are led to ask, is it just right to tax the people this country with pensions such as those of £936 a year to a Sir F. Beilby Watson? an individual who was heard of, I believe, in any public capacity whatever; and such £624 per annum a Mrs. Anne Lushington? or, with others, such as £500 a year to a Sir Robert Baker. £936 per annum to Lord Bloomfield, who has his pay as a general officer, and other allowances besides, and an endless number of similar to individuals who have ample means of living without the aid of these taxes upon the public? But amidst pensions enjoyed by females, the most flagrant of all that I have yet discovered, is that of per annum to a Miss Rosamond Croke! This fortunate young lady, it should be known, is not the daughter of the right hon. ex-secretary, but younger sister of his wife—a Miss Rosamond Pennell, whom Mr. Croker chose to patronise, having no children of his own, and in order to show his extreme affection for this girl and his extreme regard for this country, he obtained for her a pension of £300 per annum out of the public purse, which she has already enjoyed ten years, hence she must have had it, first, when mere child. If this shameful be not enough to excite the indignation of every liberal minded man either House of Parliament. I know not what be likely to do so. Mr. Harvey should show the house that the young lady, the still-styled Miss Croker in the pension list, has been (or some years the wife of the eldest son Sir John Barrow, another ultra-tory secretary of the Admiralty; and that she is thus provided for, Sir John having, no doubt, found ample means, during the thirty or forty years that he has been in office, to make a comfortable provision for the heir to his new title—that this pension, at least, should be struck off the list. Besides, the Right Hon. John Wilson Croker is, if I mistake not, in the receipt of some fine pension himself from the country; hence surely has it in his power settle an annual income his adopted daughter, if the heir apparent the *parcenn* title Barrow not in a situation allow ample pin-money to the future sharer of his oddly-earned honours!

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- Sir John Croker BARROW who died on 23 September 1900 aged 67 years;
- Rev George Staunton BARROW;
- William Pennell BARROW;
- Rosamond BARROW;
- Anna Maria BARROW;
- Mary BARROW;
- Eliza Catherine BARROW living with her step grandmother at Leamington Priors at the time of the 1861 census;
- Adelaide BARROW.

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In the manner which I now propose regarding this shameful grant, would I recommend Mr. Harvey to proceed with all the others, which are notoriously flagrant, and thus by instalments, to reduce this crying disgrace upon a free people.

The list which has been published the *Weekly True Sun*, though it contains the names of about thousand State paupers, is by no means complete. I know many persons in affluent circumstances who are in the receipt several hundreds per annum each, from the public, whose names do not appear. I have heard that M. Pozzo di Borgo, the late- Russian Ambassador, has a pension of £500 a year from this country? Can this possibly be true? If it be not, I hope that will at once deny the fact, and state when he gave it up.

PRO PATEIA

## Airhill and Woodville

*John*, second son of *John* of Tallow (section 15.2); but elder son of the second marriage, was the main beneficiary of the settlement made by his aunt Catherine BENNETT, alias ASHE, alias CROKER in 1753. *John* had married Catherine's step-daughter Valentina BENNETT, daughter of James BENNETT of Ballynureany, County Limerick, by a Cloyne Licence in 1750. His aunt had settled on him much of the property of her first husband John ASHE of Glanworth, County Cork. *John* lived at Airhill, near Glanworth. His will, dated 30 July 1771, mentions his four children<sup>843</sup>, but not his wife, who presumably she was provided for in their marriage settlement. The will was proved in the Prerogative Court on 14 April 1784. Valentina died 24 January 1821<sup>844</sup>. *John* and Valentina had issue:

- *John* living 1771, but said to have died young.

*Robert* of Ballyboy, County Tipperary. He was described as the eldest son in a deed of 1785<sup>845</sup>. He married Susanna QUIN daughter of Thomas QUIN of Lilmaloge, County Tipperary in 1787 by a Waterford or Lismore licence and with a marriage settlement dated 15 November 1787<sup>846</sup>, but died in 1840 apparently without surviving issue<sup>847</sup>. She was buried at Shanrahan. A newspaper report in 1830 mentions *Walter* of Ballyboy<sup>848</sup>. *Tipperary Free Press* 28 March 1827 reports the committal of Michael M'Donnell for being one of the party who attacked the house of Robert CROKER at Ballyboy. Michael O'DONNELL was sentenced to be hanged by this was commuted to transportation – *Tipperary Free Press* 11 July 1827. This may be a son or simply a confusion.

- Daughter? who married Lt Henry RICE of the Kildare Militia and for whom a birth was reported in the *Freeman's Journal* of 25 February of 1814 at Scart the seat of *Robert*. They appear to have had twin sons born at Ballyboy in July 1817.
- *Samuel* of Woodville, County Waterford (see below).
- *Catherine*, married Christopher BOND circa 6 January 1778<sup>849</sup> by Cloyne licence. Their children appear to be:
  - Elizabeth BOND who married Christopher LLOYD of CastleTreasure in southern liberties of Cork city

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<sup>843</sup>A fifth child, *Henry* of Johnstown, County Cork, has been attributed to him, but the evidence for this is not known.

<sup>844</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 2 February 1821 – On the same day [24 ult] in Cork an an advanced age Mrs CROKER relict of John CROKER of Air Hill

<sup>845</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 368 Page 350 Memorial 248844.

<sup>846</sup>Registry of Deeds, Book 391 Page 507 Memorial 262003.

<sup>847</sup>*Limerick Standard* 16 July 1840 — At his residence, Knocklofty, County Tipperary, Robert CROKER Esq. By the demise of this gent. a property of considerable size devolves to his brother Samuel CROKER Esq of Blue Bell, Rathcormac. On Monday, the remains were conveyed under the superintendence of Mr Holmer SAND of Fermoy, for interment at Glanworth, and a vast concourse of his tenantry and several of the gentry in carriages attended

<sup>848</sup>*Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel* — 11 May 1830 – A number of silver spoons and three guns have been returned to Walter CROKER, Esq. of Ballyboy, County Tipperary.

<sup>849</sup>See Registry of Deeds Book 828 page 114 Memorial 556850.



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- Mary Bond who married James PEED of Ballinling, county Cork. Their marriage settlement was dated 22 August 1811<sup>850</sup>. They had the following children:
  - Richard PEED
  - Christopher PEED
  - Helena PEED
  - Catherine PEED
- Catherine BOND

*Samuel*, probably the third son of John, was left the lands of Ballykeating by his father but seems not to have lived there after 1785. He was of Dunsfort, County Cork in 1791 and Woodville, County Waterford, latterly<sup>851</sup>. In a deed of assignment to his unmarried daughters on 5 November 1833 he was described as of Woodville but now of Holly Hill, County Cork Esqr<sup>852</sup>. He is said to have been High Sheriff of that county, and is also described as of Holly Hill in the same county<sup>853</sup>. His wife was Elizabeth CRUMP only daughter of Francis CRUMP of Annagh, County Kerry: they were married in 1790 by a Cloyne licence. The death at Woodville, of Elizabeth wife of *Samuel* Esq was reported in the *Limerick Chronicle* of 8 June 1833. He appears in a list of insolvents in the *Dublin Mercantile Advertiser* on 10 August 1835 when he was described as late Holley Hill, Co Cork, gent. He was buried at Glanworth 2 April 1845 aged 78. Their children were:

- *Samuel* of Woodville, County Waterford (see below).
- *Robert* of Woodville who married Catherine CONNELL of Cork daughter of Anthony CONNELL, of Cork, at Castletownroche 2 July 1827<sup>854</sup>. Administration of her estate was granted in 1841 in Cork Diocese when she was described as of Newtownards. *Robert*, described as of Cork in one newspaper notice but of Newtownards in his marriage settlement, married secondly on 3 May 1842 Eliza eldest daughter of Peter DOBSON<sup>855</sup> of Dairy Hall, Newtownards. He appears to have married another two times in America on 17 December 1852 to Mary Ann SMITH and on 22 October 1853 to Eliza HIGGINS, and to have died 6 July 1875 in Taunton, Massachusetts. This

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<sup>850</sup> Mentioned in Registry of Deeds Book 828 Page 114 Memorial 556850.

<sup>851</sup> Notice of his daughter's marriage. Casey V 8 p2500.

<sup>852</sup> Registry of Deeds, Year 1834 Volume 1 Number 300.

<sup>853</sup> Family records.

<sup>854</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 28 July 1827 — At Castletownroche, Robert CROKER, Esq. to Catherine, third daughter of Anthony CONNELL, of Cork, Esq.

<sup>855</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 3 June 1842 — At Newtownards church, Robert CROKER Esq of Cork to Eliza relict of Capt Peter DOBSON of the 3d Buffs

*Vindicator* — 7 May 1842 — On the 3d inst, at Newtownards, co Down, Robert CROKER Esq to Elizabeth eldest daughter of Peter DOBSON Esq of Dairy Hall, Newtownards

Registry of Deeds Volume 1842-09 Folio 234 dated 1 May 1842.

Peter DOBSON was made a subcommissioner of Inland Excise and Taxes for the district of Armagh on 2 May 1821.

*Robert* was a veterinary surgeon who went to America. Administration of his estate was granted in 1897 to his son *Robert*, noting *Robert* senior apparently died in 1875<sup>856</sup>. There was an advertisement in *The Times* on 10 October 1882 seeking contact with his legal representatives<sup>857</sup>.

- *Anthony* baptised at Tallow in September 1830.
- *Robert* the younger was recorded in the 1881 census at 23 Woodland Street, Portsea, Hampshire along with his wife Ann [?ROOMS] and children:
  - *Wilhelmina* born circa 1864 [*Elizabeth* born September Quarter 1863];
  - *Richard Henry* born March quarter 1866; and
  - *Mary Ann* born September quarter 1871.
- *Francis* of Woodville who witnessed a deed between *John Wilson* and his nephew *John*. His death was at Cork reported in newspapers on 25 April 1855<sup>858</sup>.
- *Dorothea*, elder daughter, married Patrick CLANCY of Kilcummer, county Cork, and son of John CLANCY, with a marriage settlement dated 12 November 1821<sup>859</sup> and reported in the press on 8 December 1821<sup>860</sup>. In 1827 he was of Danville, county Cork, when he and *Dorothea* made a deed<sup>861</sup>. They moved to America and had eleven children including:
  - John Croker CLANCY (also known as John CROKER) born circa November 1825 died Buffalo, New York in March 1883. He married Ella PIDGEON.
  - Samuel Croker CLANCY born Mallow served in 53rd Foot discharged aged 25<sup>862</sup>.
- *Frances*;
- *Elizabeth* who witnessed her sister's marriage settlement in 1821.
- *Valentina Lucinda* whose death at Holly Hill was reported in the Cork Examiner 7 March 1856;
- *Anne*;

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<sup>856</sup>National Archives Dublin — 1897 CROKER, Robert [285] 29 June Administration of the personal estate of Robert CROKER formerly of Lismore, county Waterford, and of Newtownards, county Down, and late of Boston, USA, veterinary surgeon who died, as is believed since the year 1875 granted at Dublin to Robert CROKER of Portsmouth, county Hants, gent the son effects £100

<sup>857</sup> *The Times* — 10 October 1882 – Robert CROKER This gentleman who was an excise office at Newtownards in the county of Down, Ireland, left for America about 30 years ago and is believed to be dead. His legal representatives will hear something to their advantage by applying to Robert Kelly Solicitor, Belfast.

<sup>858</sup>Casey Vol 6 p2328

<sup>859</sup>Registry of Deeds – Book 767 Page 370 Memorial 520506

<sup>860</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 8 December 1821 – At Ballyhooly Church, Patrick CLANCY, of Kilcummer, Co. Cork, Esq. to *Dorothea*, eldest daughter of Samuel CROKER, of Woodville, Esq

<sup>861</sup>Registry of Deeds Book 825 Page 232 Memorial 555167.

<sup>862</sup> National Archives Kew: WO 97/663/6

- *Valentina* who married David O'CONNOR, Seneschal of Rathcormac on 23 October 1854<sup>863</sup> at Gortroe. She was described as second daughter.
- *Catherine* who aged 25 married on 19 February 1846 Thomas H ROBERTS aged 30 of Ballymurphy son of Richard ROBERTS, farmer<sup>864</sup>. They had a son Richard Croker ROBERTS who married Myra Elizabeth Miller.

*Samuel*, elder son of *Samuel* senior, was born 1790 or 1791. He married Jane Usher QUIN daughter of Arthur QUINN of Dungarvan at Affane by a Waterford or Lismore licence on 4 September 1827. In the subscribers list for Lewis's Topographical Dictionary 1837 he is of Kilmacthomas. He was made a stipendiary magistrate on 24 December 1838 stationed at Ennis and he retired on 1 April 1843<sup>865</sup>. He was a police officer before becoming a magistrate. He appears many times in the records of the Chief Secretary of Ireland's Office held at the National Archives<sup>866</sup>. He was moved from Dungarvan to Carrick in 1830<sup>867</sup>. He was posted at Cappoquin in 1837 as a sub-inspector. He appears to have gone to America in 1859<sup>868</sup>. *Samuel* died in 1875. He received a pension of £400 per annum for his twenty years service in the constabulary. She died on 22 January 1887 at 32 London-grove, Princes Park, Liverpool and her administration was granted in London and resealed at Dublin on 11 November 1887. Jane was buried in Mount Jerome Cemetery, Dublin. He and Jane had issue:

- *Samuel* baptised on 30 June 1828 at Dungarvan<sup>869</sup>. He died on 9 April 1834<sup>870</sup>.
- *Annie Elizabeth* baptised on 7 November 1829 at Dungarvan<sup>871</sup>. She died on Easter Day, 28 March 1880 and was buried with her mother<sup>872</sup>.

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<sup>863</sup>Freeman's Journal — 27 October 1854 – October 23, at Gortroe, county Cork, David O'CONNOR, Esq, Seneschal of Rathcormac, to Valentina, second daughter of the late Samuel CROKER, Esq, of Holly Hill

<sup>864</sup>Freeman's Journal — 27 February 1846 – On the 18th instant, at Gortroe church, Thomas H ROBERTS Esq of Ballymurphy, co Cork, to Catherine, youngest daughter, of the late Samuel CROKER Esq of Holly Hill, in the same co

<sup>865</sup>Return of Stipendiary Magistrates in Ireland, British Parliamentary papers Sessional Papers 1844 Vol xliiii Paper (131). See also Return of names of persons receiving pensions from superannuation funds of constabulary force, British Parliamentary papers Sessional Papers 1843 Vol I (467) p 95.

<sup>866</sup><http://www.csorp.nationalarchives.ie/index.html> (accessed February 2018).

<sup>867</sup>Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel — 23 April 1830 – Chief Constable CROKER, local Inspector of Police, is to be removed from Dungarvan to Carrick.

— 21 May 1830 – Mr. CROKER, Local Inspector of Police at Carrick-on-Suir, has been presented with an address from the Dungarvan Magistrates, approving of his public conduct and regretting his removal from that place.

<sup>868</sup>Irish Times — 30 September 1859 – Irish Packet Station to America via Galway ... Samuel CROKER, Clonmel, retired resident magistrate ...

<sup>869</sup>Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel — 1 July 1828 – At Dungarvan, the lady of S CROKER Esq, Local Inspector of the County Waterford Constabulary, of a son and heir.

<sup>870</sup>Waterford Mail — 16 Apr 1834 – On the 9th inst, at Dungarvan, Samuel, eldest son of S Croker Esq, Inspector of Police.

<sup>871</sup>Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel — 20 November 1829 – At Dungarvan, the lady of Samuel CROKER Esq, Chief Officer of Police of a daughter.

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- *Arthur Robert*, Surgeon Major of East Blachington, Sussex. He may be the Arthur CROKER who appears as a student at Queens College, Cork in 1852<sup>873</sup>. He gave his age as 53 years in the 1881 census. He married in the parish church of Llysfaen, North Wales, on 5 September 1866 Frances SMITH, sister of Henry H SMITH who together with *Melian Jane* were the witnesses. Frances was 31 years old in July 1866. He died 18 July 1900. She died 17 May 1896<sup>874</sup>. His children appear to have been:
  - *Henry A* aged 13 in 1881.
  - *Jane Harding* who was aged 6 years and her birth place was given as Dublin in the 1881 census. She died 7 November 1922, at Southsea.
  - *Edward Ussher* born on 3 June 1875 at Cork and aged 5 in the 1881 census.
  - *Thomas Joseph* aged 4 in 1881. His birth was registered in Hastings in March quarter 1877 – 2b 24a.
  - *Anne Ussher*
- *John Wilson* (see below).
- *Samuel* who married at St Thomas's Dublin, on 25 November 1859 Josephene JOHNSTON daughter of John JOHNSON of Dovegrove, King's County<sup>875</sup>. Samuel appears to have also been a member of the Royal Irish Constabulary joining in 1846. He spent some time in Manitoba, Canada. He died on 1 January 1889 when administration of his estate was granted to his brother, *John Wilson*. He was buried with his mother at Mount Jerome, Dublin.
- *Melian (Minnie) Jane* who born circa 1844 and married Richard MILLINGTON in Dublin in 1872 who was described as a brewers agent, aged 40 and living at 109 Belgrave Road, Bermingham in the 1881 census.
  - Jane E MILLINGTON born circa 1874.

*Samuel* (of Dublin) seems also to have had an extramarital family with Mary Anne NOONAN. The children of this relationship appear to be:

- *Alice*
- *Adelaide Anne* who was born on 3 May 1867 and married .. ROLLESTON.
  - Arthur ROLLESTON
- *Robert* who was born 18 April 1870. *Robert* was known as Robert NOONAN. He lived his last few years at Hastings in England and died in 1911 at Liverpool. In 1914 his book *The ragged trousered philanthropists* was published under the pen name

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<sup>872</sup> *Irish Times* — 30 March 1880 – On Easter Sunday at Winslow Terrace, Anne eldest daughter of the late Samuel CROKER, Esq.

<sup>873</sup> British Parliamentary Papers 1857- 1857 , Volume 42 — Return of Number of Matriculated Students on books of Queen's Colleges in Ireland, 1849-57

<sup>874</sup> Probate Calendar — CROKER, Frances of Claremont Seaford Sussex (wife of Arthur CROKER) died 17 May 1896 Administration Lewes 8 September to said Arthur CROKER gentleman Effects £3126-14-8

<sup>875</sup> *The Times* — 26 January 1861 –

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Robert TRESSELL. Prior to his death he had lived in South Africa and had married Elizabeth HARTEL in 1891. His biography has been published<sup>876</sup>. His only child was:

- Kathleen.

There was a Marian Joannam NONAN baptised at St Mary, Athlone on 24 October 1858 with father given as Samuel NONAN and mother Mariae CROKER. She may be another child of the above relationship.

*John Wilson*, second surviving son of the younger *Samuel* married on 27 February 1857 at St Anne's, Dublin, Rebecca FRANKLIN daughter of the late Sir Richard FRANKLIN, MD, of Limerick<sup>877</sup> by a Dublin licence and lived at Liverpool where he was a ship owner. He appears at Toxteth Park in the 1881 census aged 47 and gives his birth place as Carrick-on-Suir. He was visiting his cousin at Rathgormac, Cappoquin, county Waterford at the time of the 1901 census and gives his age as 65 years and place of birth as Carrick Beg, county Waterford. His wife's age in 1881 was given as 44 and her birth place as Limerick. Rebecca, her daughter *Mary* and grandson *John W* (who was born in Madeira) were in Liverpool for the 1901 census. He died 19 March 1903. They had a large family:

- *Matilda Sophia* who was a clerk in the post office and was born on 27 May 1857 as declared by her father in certificate of civil service age on 11 September 1875.
- *Daisy*;
- *Marion* who married HASTINGS;
- *Jack* who married Kate WILSON;
- *Rebecca* born circa 1864 and married George Henry Francis READ in December quarter 1894 (English Civil Registration Volume 8b page 571). She died circa 1952–54.
  - Norah READ b? September quarter 1895 (Toxteth Park Vol 8b p212)
- *Jane* who was 19 in 1881;
- *Samuel Ussher* who was 12 in 1881 and who married Phyllis LLOYD in September quarter 1904.
- *Anne Esther (Ussher)* who with her father for the 1901 census aged 28 and unmarried. She married Michael Edward Comyn KENNY in June quarter 1902 in the Liverpool District (Volume 8b page 228). He was a son of George Comyn KENNY who was a son of Michael KENNY of and Maria COMYN. Her will was proved on 30 September 1955 at Jersey.
- *Richard Franklin* who birth was registered in March quarter 1872 and was aged 9 years in the 1881 census. He died 15 January 1942 and a copy of his will is in Belfast registry. He married Sophia Elaina JACKSON.

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<sup>876</sup>Fred Ball *One of the Damned* 1980

<sup>877</sup>*The Irish-American* (New York) — 11 April 1857 – In St Ann's Church, Dublin, John CROKER, Esq., son of Captain CROKER, resident magistrate, to Rebecca, daughter of the late Sir Richard FRANKLIN, of Limerick. [This appears to be a copy of what appeared in the *Freeman's Journal* of 20 March 1857]

- *Frank* who went to Chile and had a daughter there.
- *Eileen*
- *Michael Edward Jackson* who was in the R.A.F and was killed over Saumur in France in February 1943. He also played rugby for the London Irish, and swam in the Olympic Games. He married and had two children:
  - *Michael Francis*
  - *Nadine Patricia*
- *Brian Ussher* he had a daughter:
  - *Robin*
- *Mary Gertrude* who married George SHAW.

## Sarsfield Court<sup>878</sup>

*Michael*, one of the younger sons of Edward (see Section 3.13) was also with his parents at Ballyanker House when his father was killed by rebels in March 1641/2. He was joint titulado of Scool and Cloughdullarty, County Limerick, with his brother *John* and brother-in-law Henry TIRRELL, at the time of the 1659 census. In his will proved in 1702 in the Diocese of Killaloe he gives his residence as Curraghlass, County Tipperary. In a letter to James CROKER of Trevellis in 1712, John of Ballynaguard<sup>879</sup> states that Michael married Ann MONCK, cousin germain to General MONCK, the Earl [Duke] of Albemarle. No details have survived but it seems likely that he was the father or grandfather of:

*Henry* who married Sarah GUBBINGS or GIBBINS by Cloyne licence in 1700. In 1726 he was described as of Sarsfield, Ballyhesey, County Cork in a deed which also mentions his son *Michael* and is witnessed by a *John*<sup>880</sup>. It appears the *Henry* may have been a merchant and spent some time in London. Sarah appears to have died from complications following the birth of their daughter *Elizabeth*. *Henry* married secondly on 15 May 1718 at Youghal Ann BRISCOE daughter of Temple BRISCOE<sup>881</sup> and Rebecca PLUMMER. Issue by his first wife included:

- *Michael* who was mentioned in the 1730 will of his grandfather John GUBBINGS<sup>882</sup>. He was a witness to a deed in 1726<sup>883</sup>.
- *Elizabeth* baptised 1 July 1717 at St Andrews, Holborn, London.

By his second wife he had children mentioned in the will of their grandmother Rebecca BRISCOE<sup>884</sup> including the following:

- *Temple Henry* who was born in 1729 and was educated at Westminster School, London 1743–46. He was elected to a scholarship at Trinity College, Cambridge but matriculated at Christchurch Oxford. He obtained his BA in 1750 and MA in 1760.

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<sup>878</sup> *The Compleat Irish Traveller* London (1788) p167 "The first place we took notice of was a pleasant seat, three miles N. from Cork, called Sarsfield-Court. From a terrace in the garden is one of the finest prospects in all this country."

*Limerick General Advertiser* — 24 November 1815 — In Sarsfield's Court, County Cork, Jeremiah SULLIVAN, Esq formerly an eminent Printer and Book seller in Cork

<sup>879</sup> Royal Cornwall Museum Courtney Library HA/16/3 — Letter from John CROKER dated 5 November 1712.

<sup>880</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 52 Page 91 Memorial [33691](#).

<sup>881</sup> Was collector at Youghal for forty years. Described as Captain Temple BRISCOE of Dublin in John LODGE *The Peerage of Ireland* (1754) — See entry of Earl Panmure Vol II p190. He was a Captain in Sir Henry BELASYSE's Regiment of Foot when they were reviewed in 1689 — see Charles Dalton (ed) *English army list and commission registers, 1661–1714*, London, F Edwards, 1960. Temple's eldest daughter, Hester, married Charles MAUL who was Comptroller of Customs from 1697 and died 22 February 1722. She died 28 March 1743 and was buried with her husband at St Peter's Dublin.

<sup>882</sup> Casey *O'Kief* .... Vol 14 p 632.

<sup>883</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 52 Page 91 Memorial [33691](#)

<sup>884</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 78 Page 509 Memorial 57414.

*Temple Henry* married Ann MC ANALLY on 15 March 1753 at St George, Mayfair in London. *Temple Henry* married secondly Ann WHITEHEAD by a Faculty Office marriage licence dated 6 March 1758 (the IGI has this marriage as occurring on 23 September 1763 at Bramshot, Hampshire, England). He was Reader at the Temple Church in London but was dismissed on 18 June 1763 as he had gone overseas and not returned<sup>885</sup>. In 1760 he became Chaplain to Lord Hillsborough, and on 27 July 1769 he was given the living of Ightham, Kent. He resigned it on 31 May 1773, probably due to financial difficulties as he appears amongst the list of bankrupts that year. Later he became rector of St Johns, Cape Sterre, St Christophers in the West Indies<sup>886</sup>. He was a miscellaneous writer with diverse interests. His works include verses translated from Latin and Italian; a commentary on a contemporary history of the Popes; an exposition on the latest discoveries in experimental magnetism (1761); and the editing of *The Complete Dictionary of Arts and Sciences* (3 Volumes 1764—66). He died in 1790.

- ?*Abigale* who married Patrick BRISCOE in 1740 by Dublin licence. Her death may have been reported thus in the *Freeman's Journal* 8–10 August 1777 – the widow of Patrick BRISCOE of Edenderry.

The records for this branch are scarce. The rarity of the forename *Michael* among the Irish CROKERS tends to indicate a link to the following.

*Michael* who married Mary BRADDELL on 26 December 1778 at St Mary's Donnybrook by Dublin licence on 24 December 1778. The officiating minister was the Rev George BRADDELL. This *Michael* may be a son or grandson of the *Michael* above. He was of Beaufield, County Wexford when he made his will which was proved in the Prerogative Court in 1800. He made a claim for £46:3:0 in losses of cattle, furniture, wine and spirits in the 1798 rebellion. *Michael* was 61 years when he died on 10 June 1800 and is buried in All Saints Church, Carnew, County Wicklow

- *George* (see below)
- *Margaret* the second daughter who married on 30 September 1814<sup>887</sup> at Newtown Barry Richard HUDSON of Cottage, county Wexford.
- *Mary* who married Samuel H BATT, of Belfast, circa 5 July 1823<sup>888</sup>.

So may be the *Michael* apothecary of Boston, North America who was on half pay lists from 1783 until 1805. He had six months leave of absence in 1778<sup>889</sup>. He is said to have died 16 June 1800.

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<sup>885</sup> *Calendar of Inner Temple Records* F. A. Inderwick editor, H. Sotheran & Co.: London, 1896-1936 Vol 1 p159

<sup>886</sup> St Christophers is now called St Kitts. *Samuel* of the Curraglass line was also at St Christophers about this time (see Section 4.15iii)

<sup>887</sup> *Limerick General Advertiser* — 11 October 1814 – Friday se'nnight, at Newtown Barry, Richard HUDSON of Cottage, county Wexford, Esq to Miss Margaret CROKER, second daughter of Michael CROKER of Beaufield in said county Esq

<sup>888</sup> *Limerick Chronicle* — 5 July 1823 – Samuel H. BATT, Esq. of Belfast, to Mary, daughter of the late M. CROKER, Esq. of Beaufield, Co. Wicklow.

<sup>889</sup> Historical Manuscripts Commission. *Report on American Manuscripts in the Royal Institution of Great Britain* Vol. I. page 194. February 14 1778. Captain Robert Mackenzie to Robert Adair,



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The *Henry* of Ballyseskin, County Wexford who married Mary HARVEY of Killianne Castle, County Wexford at Killinick, County Wicklow on 23 July 1804, is likely to be of this branch.

*John* of Beaufield:

- *George Wellington*<sup>890</sup> born at Beaufield 31 October 1815 and died in Belfast 22 September, 1904, aged 89 years. He obtained an MD from Glasgow University in 1840 when he was described as of Hillsborough, county Down<sup>891</sup> and he was later of Burrenreagh, county Down. He married on 13 May 1842 in St Peter's church, Dublin, by Dublin licence, Catherine (Kate) Georgina Spaight THOMAS, youngest daughter the Rev Edward THOMAS of Ballymacourty glebe, county Kerry<sup>892</sup>. He died 22 October 1904<sup>893</sup>. His wife died 4 March 1883 aged 61 years in Belfast. *George* and Catherine had 7 children:
  - *Alice Jane* whose birth at Castlewellan, county Down, was reported in the *Freeman's Journal* of 14 April 1843.
  - *Georgina Mary Kathleen* born at Hillsborough 13 May 1846<sup>894</sup>
  - *Arthur Sandys Hill* born 24 December 1848<sup>895</sup> and died 7 December 1904;
  - *Elizabeth Frances Aubin* who died 24 April 1861 aged 11;
  - *Edwin George Hill*
  - *Caroline Maria* who died 18 June 1860 aged nine months; and
  - *Walter Blundell* MD born 9 June 1862 and died 1 August 1890.

*George* of Beaufield, Wexford in the *Directory of Ireland 1814* was the only son of *Michael* of Beaufield who died in 1800. He was born circa 1788. He was admitted as an attorney to the Court of Exchequer in 1809<sup>896</sup>. He is married Mary POUNDEN daughter of John POUNDEN and COLLEY<sup>897</sup>. He was died on 12 October, 1825<sup>898</sup> aged 37 years. He is also

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Inspector General of Hospitals. Philadelphia. Is directed by Gen. HOWE to acquaint him that he has granted Mr. CROKER, apothecary, six months' leave of absence. Copy. Vo. 8. No. 23 1 page.

<sup>890</sup> He is the great great grandfather of Rod Page of Tunbridge Wells, England, who provided some information on this family.

<sup>891</sup> W Innes Addison, *A roll of graduates on the Unniversity of Glasgow from 31<sup>st</sup> December, 1727 to 31<sup>st</sup> December, 1897*, Glasgow, James MacLehose & Sons (1898)

<sup>892</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 18 May 1842

<sup>893</sup> The dates for *George* and his family come from a memorial incscription at Hillsborough graveyard, county Down.

<sup>894</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 16 May 1846

<sup>895</sup> Civil service proof of age.

<sup>896</sup> *King's Inn Admission Papers*

<sup>897</sup> De Monfort, Simon Lowry Mostyn; *Pounden of Co Wexford*: Typescript (1976) copy at Irish Genealogical Society London; see also Registry of Deeds, Book 1842 Vol 15 Number 235.

<sup>898</sup> *Westmeath Journal* — 20 October 1825 – On the 12th instant. at his seat Beaufield, near Clonegall, County Wexford, George CROKER, Esq.

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buried in All Saint's Church, Carnew. Mary POUNDEN, his wife, was born c1790 and died December 13, 1877 aged 87 years. Mary is buried with her husband. His children include:

- *Henry Braddell* fourth son (see below)
- *Alicia* who died on 14 October 1852 aged 17 and was buried at Carnew.
- *Michael George* (Rev) born 1812 and entered TCD obtaining BA 1834 and MA 1839. He was curate of Templescabin in 1843–44<sup>899</sup>. He was living in Shropshire giving his occupation as curate of Suffan Maddock for the 1851 census and at Dunsinane near Enniscorthy, Wexford in 1876. He died at Clarendon Rd, St Helier Jersey on 2 September 1877 and was described as late of Dunsinane, County Wexford. His will was proved by his brother *Henry Braddell* following a court order. In a deed in 1856 he mentions his father *George* and grandfather *Michael*<sup>900</sup>.
- *Richard Aubin* who was born on 15 November 1823 at Beaufield and joined the Army by purchase as an Ensign in the 57<sup>th</sup> Foot<sup>901</sup> on 13 February 1842 and was promoted to Captain without purchase there on 15 January 1849. He transferred to the 24<sup>th</sup> soon after. He died in Peshawar, India on 19 July 1856<sup>902</sup>. See page 1
- *John* who married on 4 December 1849 Jane THOREAU<sup>903</sup>. Was a life in a deed *Henry Braddell* made on 5 July 1853<sup>904</sup>.
- *Mary Alicia* involved in a deed perhaps a marriage settlement in 1842<sup>905</sup>. She married Oliver ABBOTT<sup>906</sup>. She died a widow on 21 October 1932

*Henry Bradell* JP was of Beaufield, Clonegal, in the *List of Landowners in Ireland 1876* and was formerly Captain in the 57th Regiment of Foot. He was born 10 August 1818 and joined the 57th Regiment as Ensign on 25 January 1839 and retired by sale of his commission on 12 October 1852. He went to India in 1840 arriving in Madras per the *Thomas Grenville*<sup>907</sup>.

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<sup>899</sup> Leslie, James B (Rev), *Ferns Clergy and Parishes*. Fascimile reproduction part of *Clergy of Waterford Lismore and Ferns*, RCBL 2008.

<sup>900</sup> Registry of Deeds: Year 1856 Volume 28 Number 195.

<sup>901</sup> National Archives Kew — WO 76 / 231 f63

<sup>902</sup> Memorial inscription, Jamrud Road Cemetery, Peshawar — To the memory of Capt Richard Aubin CROKER H.M. 24th Regt Who died at Peshawur on the 19th July 1856 aged 32 years *Freeman's Journal* — 17 September 1856 – July 1, at Peshawar, Bengal, Capt CROKER of the 24th regiment

<sup>903</sup> *Freeman's Journal* — 13 December 1849 – December 4, John CROKER, Esq. Son of the late George CROKER, Esq. of Beaufield, county Wexford, to Jane, youngest daughter of Philip THOREAU, Esq. of Mon Sejour, Wexford

<sup>904</sup> Registry of Deeds — Year 1856 Volume 28 Number 195.

<sup>905</sup> Registry of Deeds, Year 1842 Volume 15 folio 235.

<sup>906</sup> De Monfort, Simon Lowry Mostyn; *Pounden of Co Wexford*: Typescript (1976) copy at Irish Genealogical Society London

<sup>907</sup> *Madras Almanac* 1841 — <http://www.fibis.org/>

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He married on 13 December 1845<sup>908</sup> at St Leonard's Exeter Devon, Mary Anne VICQ only daughter of Colonel John VICQ of the Madras Army. At the 1851 census Henry Braddell is living with or visiting his step father in law Benjamin SALTER in Fulham. His brother *Michael George* officiated at his marriage. *Henry Bradell* died on 9 June 1880<sup>909</sup> at Donishall, Carnew and his wife on 19 December 1909 aged 83 years. Their issue included:

- *Mary* born 29 January 1847 and baptised at Clonegall.
- *Frances Evelina* born 14 January 1849 and baptised at Clonegall. She married September quarter 1879 in Enniscorthy registration district.
- *Mary Alice (Minnie)* who married Oliver Joseph ABBOTT of 50 Raymond Street, Dublin, and son of Jonathan Tydd ABBOTT, at St Catherine's Dublin on 7 July 1884.
- *William Henry Aubin* of Beaufield, County Wexford who was born 1852 and married on 25 June 1879 at Holy Trinity Church, Paddington, Frances Augustus Pinon du Clos de VALMER eldest daughter of the Vicomte Pinon du Clos de VALMER. She died on 8 June 1912. *William Henry Aubin* was an Hon Captain in the Army and a Captain and Hon Major retired in the 4th Battalion Royal Dublin Fusiliers. Prior to this he was Captain in the 3rd and 4th Battalions of Worcestershire Regiment.
- *Henry Braddell* the second son born circa 1860 who died on 15 February 1890 aged 29 years.
- *Georgina* who married Charles Henry Totterham READE on 11 March 1888<sup>910</sup>.

*Jane* who married Benjamin WILSON Esq of Templemore, co Tipperary circa August 1833 appears also to be of this branch. She is described as daughter of Dr CROKER of Beaufield and as of Ballyoriel in the two different newspaper notices of the marriage appearing in the Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel of 27 and 30 August 1833.

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<sup>908</sup>Freeman's Journal — 27 December 1845 – On the 12th inst, in Exeter, Henry Braddell CROKER, Esq, Lt in the 57th Regt, fourth son of the late George CROKER Esq of Beaufield, co Wexford, to Mary Anne only daughter of the late Colonel John VICQ, of the Madras Army.

Marriage settlement dated 4 December 1845 see Registry of Deeds, Year 1852 Volume 15 Number 55.

<sup>909</sup>National Archives, Will and administrations Book 1880.

<sup>910</sup> Morris, H F and Reade-Duncan, T; The Reades of cos Tipperary and Kilkenny; *Irish Genealogist* Vol 8 No 3 pp 336–364

## Probably related but not yet connected

### Dublin V

*John* of Phibsborough, County Dublin, who died aged 76 on 8 July 1829. A possibility is that *John* is another brother of Edward Abraham (see Section 12). He may be the *John* of Killester who married Jane SHEA by prerogative marriage licence dated 10 May 1783. He married Catherine KERNAN<sup>911</sup> as probably his second wife. He appears to have been the *John* who is listed in Catholic Qualification Rolls as gardener of Enniskillen<sup>912</sup> along with Terence MIHAN and several KERNANs. *John* was acquitted of making an illegal oath in the Assizes at Enniskillen on 29 March 1796<sup>913</sup>. She died circa 14 February 1835 aged 69<sup>914</sup>. Their issue included the following, the males of whom were all lawyers:

- *Thomas*, born c1792 at Carton (near Maynooth), county Kildare, and educated at Carrickmacross (probably by his uncle Edward KERNAN). He was the *Thomas*, solicitor, who married Mary DOYLE eldest daughter of the late Timothy DOYLE Esq of Graigue, county Kilkenny, on 20 January 1831<sup>915</sup>. *Thomas* chaired a meeting about the Catholic rents in Enniskillen in November 1824<sup>916</sup>. He was the *Thomas* attorney who worked at 29 Upper Dominick Street, Dublin. He may have trained with his uncle Randal KERNAN<sup>917</sup> as they appear together in an advertisement in *Enniskillen Chronicle and Erne Packet* on Thursday 2 February 1832 responding to an attack on sheep outside Enniskillen. He died on 10 December 1869<sup>918</sup>. He was a crown solicitor and also had a residence at Scholarstown House, county Dublin.

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<sup>911</sup>She was a daughter of Edward KERNAN and Mary MC DONNELL of Enniskillen and, sister of the Rt Rev Dr Edward KERNAN (c1770 – 20 February 1844) Catholic Bishop of Clogher and Counsellor Randal KERNAN of Chapel Street, Dublin and Enniskillen. Freeman's Journal — 12 February 1810 – At Counsellor KERNAN's, Capel Street, Mr John KERNAN of Upper Bridge Street, to Eleanor daughter of T MEIGHAN Esq of Enniskillen.

<sup>912</sup>Catholic Qualification Rolls Index: Fermanagh & Monaghan. Rev. P. O Gallachair. *Clogher Record*, ii No. 3, (1959) pp. 544-551

<sup>913</sup>*Belfast Newsletter* — 28 March – 1 April 1796

<sup>914</sup>*Limerick Chronicle* — 14 February 1835 – At her son's house in Dominick Street, Dublin, Mrs Catherine CROKER aged 69 years.

<sup>915</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 21 January 1831 – In George's palce, on the 20th inst, by the Rt Rev Dr KERNAN, Thomas CROKER, of this city solicitor to Mary daughter of the late Timothy DOYLE of Graig, in the county Kilkenny, Esq.

See also: *Limerick Evening Post and Clare Sentinel* — 28 January 1831; and

Marriage settlement Registry of Deeds, Year 1837 Volume 4 Number 190

<sup>916</sup>*Clogher Record* x 3 (1981) p337

<sup>917</sup> Drogheda Journal, or Meath & Louth Advertiser - Wednesday 25 August 1824 mentions Randal KERNAN and his nephew Thomas CROKER.

<sup>918</sup>National Archives — 25 Jan 1869 — The will (with one codicil) of Thomas CROKER late of No 37 Lower Dominick Street Dublin Solicitor deceased who died 10 Dec 1868 proved Principal Registry on oath by Mary CROKER of No 37 Lower Dominick Street aforesaid the widow and sole executrix — Effects under £3000

- *Thomas* who appears in the Kings Inn Admission Papers as son of *Thomas* of Dublin attorney admitted as an apprentice in 1850 aged under 17 and educated at Tullabeg, King's county. He died at his father's residence on 31 January 1859<sup>919</sup>.
- Daughter born on 11 October 1837<sup>920</sup>.
- *Arthur* the third son who died on 20 August 1862<sup>921</sup>.
- *Annie* the eldest daughter who married Thomas Alexander DWYER Esq of Dublin on 12 June 1854<sup>922</sup>. Thomas Alexander DWYER became a judge in Texas. Their children include:
  - A daughter who married Capt. Nicholas NOLAN.
  - *Elizabeth Agnes* the youngest daughter who was born at Bonita, Texas, on 29 September 1866 and became a writer and librarian. She was one of the first women appointed to the Library of Congress<sup>923</sup>.
- *Edward* born Phibsborough c1804 and educated at Maynooth College. He married Frances Mary O'HARA circa 15 December 1821<sup>924</sup>. He died on 8 September 1879 at Crossmaglen.
  - *William* who appears in the Kings Inn admission papers and was clerk to his uncle *Thomas*. He may be the *William* solicitor who appears in the 1877 Dublin directory at 37 Lower Dominick Street and Carrick on Shannon.
  - *Edward* who proved his father's will in 1879 when he was described as of 2 Marine Terrace, Kingstown, county Dublin, Gentleman.
- *John* born at Monck Place, Dublin, and like his brothers educated at Maynooth College. He appears to be the *John* who married Jane M'ALLISTER widow of James M'ALLISTER of Newry circa 29 September 1832<sup>925</sup>.
- *Mary* who married at Bundoran, county Donegal, Mr Terence MIHAN<sup>926</sup> of Enniskillen, merchant on 20 September 1835<sup>927</sup>. She was a widow in May 1869 when she proved her sister's will.

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<sup>919</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 1 February 1859 – January 31, at his father's residence, Lower Dominick Street, Thomas CROKER, Esq, jun., solicitor

<sup>920</sup>*Enniskillen Chronicle and Erne Packet* – 19 October 1837 – On the 11th instant, at Erne Lodge, the residence of R. KERNAN, Esq, the lady of Thomas CROKER, Esq, of Upper Dominick Street, of a Daughter.

<sup>921</sup>*Cork Examiner* — 22 August 1862 – August 20, at Beech Park, Templeogue, Arthur, third son of Thomas Croker, Solicitor, Lower Dominick-st.

<sup>922</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 14 June 1854 – June 12, in the Metropolitan Church, Marlborough-street, by the Rev Mr MORGAN, Thomas Alexander DWYER, Esq son of Joseph DWYER Esq of this city, to Annie, eldest daughter of Thomas CROKER, Esq, crown solicitor, Lower Dominick-street and Scholarstown House, co Dublin

<sup>923</sup>Elizabeth Brooks, *Prominent Women of Texas* (Akron, Ohio: Werner, 1896)

<sup>924</sup>*Limerick Chronicle* — 29 December 1821 – Edward CROKER, Esq. of Dominick Street, Dublin, to Frances Mary, eldest daughter of the late Marcus O'HARA, of Stephen's Green, Esq.

<sup>925</sup>*Limerick Herald* — 1 October 1832 – At Enniskillen, John CROKER of Upper Dominick Street to Jane M'ALLISTER widow of Simon M'ALLISTER of Newry Esq

- *Anne Jane* who died unmarried on 9 April 1869 when her will was proved by her sister *Mary*<sup>928</sup>. She was fourteen years old and at her uncle the Rev Edward KERNAN's house when the 1821 census was taken<sup>929</sup>.

*Thomas* of Galway who married Eliza MOONEY in 1853<sup>930</sup> and had a daughter while living at Eyre Square, Galway in 1858. Another daughter born 21 November 1860 in Galway<sup>931</sup>.

## **Dublin VI**

*Thomas* surgeon of Pill Lane in the 1761 Directory of Dublin.

- The death of his only daughter was reported in the *Freeman's Journal* 10–13 February 1787.

## **Cork**

*Henry* who married Amelia DALY daughter of Eugene DALY bookseller in 1802 by a Cork and Ross marriage licence. She died circa 8 June 1814 in South Main Street Cork.

## **Dublin VII — not related**

*Joachim*, probably a native of Germany, is believed to have been brother to Johann CROCKER who came to England (where he was known as John CROKER) from Dresden in 1691. John became chief engraver at the Royal Mint and died in 1741<sup>932</sup>.

*Joachim* was a portrait painter of Dublin known for his portrait of Joseph TOPLIS a prominent cutler of that city. The portrait was hung in the hall of the Painter-Stayners and

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<sup>926</sup>Probably a relation of the T MEIGHAN Esq of Enniskillen father of Eleanor mentioned above whose death was reported in the *Freeman's Journal* — 20 February 1830 – February 11, in Enniskillen, ... Terence MIHAN Esq attorney ....

<sup>927</sup>*Enniskillen Chronicle and Erne Packet* — 24 September 1835 – On the morning of 20th instant, at Bundoran, by the Rt Rev Dr KERNAN, Catholic Bishop of Clogher, the lady's uncle, Mr Terence MIHAN, of this town, to Miss Mary CROKER sister of Thomas CROKER Esq solicitor. The happy couple shortly set off for Dublin, via Sligo, to spend the honey-moon.

*Freeman's Journal* — 26 September 1835 – On the 20th inst, at Bundoran, co Donegal, by the lady's uncle the Rt Rev Dr KERNAN, Catholic Bishop of Clogher, Mr Terence MIHAN, of Enniskillen, merchant, to Miss CROKER sister of Thomas CROKER Esq solicitor. (See also *Limerick Chronicle* — 30 September 1835.)

<sup>928</sup>National Archives Dublin — 1 May 1869 – The will of Anne Jane CROKER formerly of No 25 Blessington st and late of No 19 Lower Sherrard st both in the city of Dublin spinster deceased 8 April 1869 at No 19 Lower Sherrard st will proved in Principal Registry on oath by Mary MIHAN of No 37 Lower Dominick St Dublin Widow sole exectrix

<sup>929</sup>*Clogher Recordx*, x 2 (1980) p198

<sup>930</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 15 June 1853 – June 13, at the Church of the Conception, Marlborough street, by the Rev Mr O'FARRELL, Thomas CROKER of the town of Galway, Esq to Eliza eldest daughter of the late John MOONEY Esq of this city

<sup>931</sup>*Freeman's Journal* — 23 November 1860 – November 21, at Galway, the wife of Mr Thomas CROKER, Book seller and stationer to the Queen's College, of a daughter

<sup>932</sup>*British Biographical Archive* 284/241, quoting S REDGRAVE's *Dictionary of artists of the English school* 1878. See also the *Dictionary of National Biography*.

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Cutlers Guild in 1699. Joachim died soon afterwards and administration of his effects was granted to Maria a minor his daughter and his widow Frances on 2 February 1699/1700. He sometimes spelt his name CROCKER and sometimes CROKER<sup>933</sup>.

Jacob who seems likely to have been a son of Joachim, was living in June 1757 when he was mentioned in the will of his son William: His issue appear to be:

- *William*, a cordwainer of Dublin, whose will dated 11 June 1757 was proved nine days later<sup>934</sup>. It mentions his wife Mary, probably nee PHILIPS, whom he had married by Dublin licence in 1741. She survived him but died before 1768 when her nephew *William* was administrator of her estate<sup>935</sup>.
- *Ann* who married Patrick SHANNON circa 13 October 1762<sup>936</sup>. Her marriage settlement mentions provisions in her father's will for her brothers and sister.
- *Abraham*, apparently brother to *William* had died before July 1774 when his widow Mary were mentioned in a deed<sup>937</sup>. They had issue including:
  - *William* the eldest son who was a shoemaker of Dirty Lane, Dublin. He was apparently heir to his uncle and namesake when he granted a lease on a house in Dirty Lane to Thomas STREET in July 1774<sup>938</sup>.
- a daughter who married Robert VICARS of Garranmaconly, County Leix.

Mary CROKER widow acquired land in Dirty Lane in a lease from Jefferey Foot on 28 September 1765<sup>939</sup>.

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<sup>933</sup> *Ibid*, quoting W S STRICKLAND, *A dictionary of Irish artists* 1912.

<sup>934</sup> Betham's abstracts of Prerogative wills.

<sup>935</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 300 Page 545 Memorial 201217.

<sup>936</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 220 Page 373 Memorial 144803

<sup>937</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 305 Page 154 Memorial 201310.

<sup>938</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 305 Page 154 Memorial 201310.

<sup>939</sup> Registry of Deeds, Book 245 Page 22 Memorial 156944.

## Other random references

Year	MmDd	Reference
1796	23 Oct	Tralee Col Register: Robert CROKER a private soldier in the Devonshire Regiment of Fencibles to Ellen GAVALAN of the parish of Tralee by publication [or banns]
1846	2 Apr	<p>UNDERNEATH   LIES THE BODY OF   ANNE CROKER ALIAS DEVINE   who died April 2th 1846   Thou art gone to the grave   But we must not deplore thee   Since Goovyas thy Ransom   thy Guardian thy Guide   He gave thee He took and as   he went before thee   We sinners may hope for a   Saviour hath died</p> <p>Graveyard: New Church Lough Gur  <a href="http://historicgraves.com/graveyard/teampall-nua-new-church/li-lgtn">http://historicgraves.com/graveyard/teampall-nua-new-church/li-lgtn</a>            (accessed 13 May 2013)</p>
1842	13 Jan	Gunner Edmond CROKER (aged 30 years, labourer born Inch St. Lawrence, Co Limerick) died in the retreat from Carbul, Afganastan on 13 Jan 1842. He elisted 29 Dec1835. [information frm Brian Hodkinson]
1819	7 Feb	<p>Fedamore RC Church baptisms:</p> <p>Thomas CROKER son of William CROKER and Mary MADDEN sponsors Edmond and Ellen WHELAN</p>
1850	16 Dec	Newry Registrars Office William CROKER writing clerk widower, son of William CROKER Lieurenat in the 28 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot to Elizabeth DENSMORE daughter of Patrick DENSMORE farmer. Both were resident in Clogheraven in parish of Kilhoy. She made her mark rather than signature.



## Appendix A

### ***Depositions about events in 1641***

These two depositions are from the manuscript collection of Trinity College Dublin and are reproduced with acknowledgment to the Board of Trinity College Dublin.

Folio 891

John CASY of the old Forder now Tallowe  
aged 54 years or thereabouts being duly  
sworn upon the Holy Evangelist and paned  
depoteth and sayth that on shrovs Tusday in the  
year 1641 this deponent going with a letter  
from David BARRY sonne to John Barry of  
Dongarry his being at Coolisley to Mr  
Thomas BUTLER, then the sayd BUTLER was  
at Ballyanker with Collonell Capt Edmond  
FENNELE and several others of the Irish  
Rebells and after this depont had delivered  
to the sayd BUTLER his lord he commanded this depost  
to looke into his waggon and that he did see Mr  
Edward CROKER and foure other  
English men as prysoners in the custody of  
the sayd Rebells and that the said FENNELE and  
the sayd Thomas BUTLER & others were then  
present and did /see/ see the foure English  
men hanged upon a gate in this deponents presents  
the sayd FENNELE standing by with a pistoll  
in his hand until they were strangled & dead  
and that presently after he heard Mr Edward  
CROKER then a prisoner as aforesaid proffer  
a contayned money at leaste twenty  
pounds for his life but the said FENNELE made  
answer that if he would give a humdred pounds  
he should not hand his life because he was  
a kinsman of Capt CROKER of  
Cappoquin but should have his choyse either

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to be hanged or shot to death whereupon the said  
CROKER made choice to be shot to death. After  
Capt FENNELE called a souldier of his partie  
and they both went with the sayd CROKER  
causinge his hands tyed behind his backe  
& push him up against a ditch and then shott  
him to death in the presence of this deponent  
/and/ his cause of knowledge is from that he  
was present and did see and heare what he hath  
deposeth aforesaid to be true

Folio 162

The Examination of Major Thomas  
DOWNING of Lismore in the County of Waterford  
taken November 24, 1652

This Examinee duly swearing saith that he is aged 40 years  
or thereabouts & of he being at Lismore aforesaid about the  
beginning of the rebellion, and ????? (as he remembereth it) before  
Christmas 1641, a party of the rebells among whom was Captain  
/Collonell now/ Edmund FENELL (now Collonel FENELL) ???? did  
come to Ballianker Near Lismore aforesaid unto the house of  
Hugh CROKER a feaman & ( as the Exam were informed by  
Christopher CROKER then in the house) they stormed the said  
house, & being resisted, Captain FENELL promised quarter & received  
out of the windows the arms of those within, & being entered tooke out of the house  
One Edward CROKER brother of said Hugh; whom they shot  
to death. The same time they also did, contrary to the quarter  
given, take out of the said house John PEIKE & his two sonnes  
whom they did hung on a gate at Balliankor aforesaid,  
& as they were hanging, as the Examination heard, they gave them  
many wounds striving who would strike deepest. This Examinee  
further saith that he did bring away the corpses of the said Edward  
CROKER (his brother-in-law) & burried it & burried also the  
bodies of the said PIEKE & his sonnes: ? he did see if very of using the said  
FENELL & (as he heard) Richard BUTTLER of Kileagh brother to

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the E of ORMONDE whom marching away with the said party  
from Balliankor after the said murders; & that they then marched to the  
wareen at Lismore & after over the Blackwater at  
Affanne.

This Examinee further saith that Anne DOWNING the Examinees  
wife being great with child within two months of her time &  
3 smale children, named Thomas, Robert & Anne  
DOWNING (the eldest being about 6 years, the youngest about  
1 year old) & one George BROWNE the Examinee's servant  
were murdered in the house in ???ittowne in the Co of Limerick  
& barony ???[The rest of the page is missing.]

## Appendix B

### ***The Capture of Waterford***

— from *Natural and Civil History of Waterford* by Charles SMITH (1743) pp 152-3

It appears from Lord Orrery's memoirs, that the city was in the hands of the English before the capitulation above mentioned, which was only for the Citadel, the place where the barracks now stand, And that the town was taken in the following manner. Soon after the city was summoned, the Irish made a sally but were repulsed with loss. Presently after this, the English sent one Liuet. CROKER<sup>939</sup> and Serj. CROKER<sup>940</sup> his brother, with about 30 musketeers to fire the suburbs, in order to make their approaches to the town walls the more effectual. They set fire to all the houses and stacks of corn near the city, the smoak of which being carried by a Westerly wind into the place, so much terrified the besieged that it made them think the whole army had fallen upon the city and set it on fire, and therefore as it afterwards appeared, they fled out of the Eastern gate, and under the covert of the smoak, got quickly out of the reach of the enemy, who little imagined what had happened. But what chiefly promoted their flight, was a bold attempt those two CROKERS made upon the town, while the smoak of the suburbs involved it in fear and darkness; for while the English were burning the suburbs, one of the CROKERS spied a couple of ladders near the wall, and calling to his brother, told him it would be a brave thing, if they should set upon the town and take it, of which they might now have the opportunity to do, by the help of the ladders and the smoak. His brother immediately agreed with him, and calling their 30 men together, without the knowledge and orders of their commanders, with swords drawn and muskets charged, they seized the ladders and mounted the wall, finding there was but one centinel, him they immediately killed, and hearing great cry in the town, which they thought was a sign of some disorder, they marched forward to the main guard, putting all they met to the sword. The noise of their guns and the smoak concealing their numbers made the inhabitants really believe that the whole English army was got into the town, and fled away, leaving their arms and ammunition behind them. One of the CROKERS was killed<sup>941</sup> and two or three of their men; but Sergeant CROKER, and the rest, marched up to the main guard and seized all their great guns; they then marched towards the West gate\*[St Patrick's gate] to open it and receive the rest of their friends. In the mean time the English wondered what was become of CROKER and his men, and feared that though they had executed their order by firing the suburbs, they had perished in the attempt. But while they were in suspense, one of the centinels gave notice, that the next to them was set wide open, and a small party was marching out towards them, which Lr. Broghill hearing, immediately rode forward to see who they were, and before they came very near made use of a perspective glass, by which he

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<sup>939</sup>Lieutenant John CROKER the eldest son of Edward CROKER who was killed at Ballyanker seems the most likely person to be referred as Lieutenant CROKER. He however survived the Rebellion and died in 1717. (see Section 8.1)

<sup>940</sup>Christopher CROKER another son of Edward CROKER who was killed at Ballyanker is a possible for Sergeant CROKER. He stated in a deposition in 1654 that he was in command under Colonel SANKEY but is never referred to by commissioned rank so could be a sergeant. He also survived the Rebellion and died in 1692. (see Section 13.1)

<sup>941</sup>Not the case for the identifications made above. A number of other CROKERS had died in the Rebellion prior to 1650 including Captain *Hugh* and Lieutenant Colonel *Walter*. The former is often associated with the capture of Waterford.

discovered them to be Sergeant CROKER and his men: at the sight of whom, being greatly amazed, and upon a nearer approach, asking how they came thither, CROKER made no answer but brandishing his sword about his head, called for the whole army to march into the town, for says he, the town is our own, and then he related in what manner he had taken it, and in what a pannick the Irish were in. Immediately the whole army was ordered to march into the town, and as they were going, they saw the enemy march away on the other side of the water, which sufficiently confirmed what CROKER had said. But however, when they came into the town, the citadel (as was before related) held out still, but not long after it capitulated.

## Appendix C

### ***The will of Richard CROKER of Nadrid***

In the name of God Amen, the twenty ninth day of June in the year of our Lord God one thousand seven hundred and twenty, I Richard CROKER of Nadrid in the county of Cork Esqr being bless Godd in perfect health and of good and sound memory but calling to mind the frailty of human nature and the uncertainty of this mortall life and having a desire to settle and dispose of what shares of worldly substance the almighty God has been pleased to bestow upon me to the end that noe contention dispute or strife may hereafter arise between my wife and children legatees or any other for or concerning my worldly substance or any part thereof doe make constitute and ordaine this my last will and testament hereby revoking annulling and making void all former wills or tastaments by me heretofore made or procured to be made whether by writing of nuncupative of all or any part of my estate real of personal in the manner and form following, that is to say I commend and bequeath my soul and spirit together with my whole estate to the protection of almighty God my heavenly father joyfully expecting through the bitter death and passion of Jesus Christ my blessed redeemer to obtain full pardon and remission of all my sins and in satisfaction made by him and in whose most precious blood I sett the whole and onbly hope of salvation and to inherit everlasting life with the holy trinity one eternal diety to whom be all honour and glory for ever after amenmy body in hopes of a happy resurrection I commit to the earth to be buried in such place and in sucjh decent manner as my executrix hereinafter named shall direct and appoint Item I will and direct executrix herein named to pay and satisfy all such debts as shall appear to be due and satisfied by me in my lifetime Item I doe give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved and deserving wife Alice CROKER als CRIPPS the sume of sixty pounds sterling per annum to be paid toher annually during her natural life out of my lands of inheritance of Nadrid, Derrine, Knockgulltaroe & Clonteadbegg in the barony of Musgary and county of Cork to be paid her moytively the first gale to commence and be paid her on which of trhe feasts of Saint Michael the Archangle and the annunciation of the blessed virgin Mary shall first happen after my decease and so yearly and moytively to be paid to her on the said feast days in full recompence and satisfaction of all dowers joyntures as thirds & demands whatsoever which she may or can claim out of all or any part of my inheritance reall and personal Estate Item I give and bequeath unto the Reverend Robert BULFELL of Magourney in the said county of Cork who is my dearly beloved friend and pastor and my dearly beloved Brother Bent CROKER of the city of Cork merchant and unto my said wife Alice CROKER and unto the survivor of them and to the heirs of such survivor all the rents issues and proffitts wich shall arise and become due out of the lands of Rovermore in the barony of Musgary and county of Cork together with the said lands which I purchased from Hugh HENRY and Mr CLEMENTS and Thomas MEREDETH of the city of Dublin Esqr and I also give and bequeath unto the said Robert BULFELL, Bent CROKER and Alice CROKER and the survivor of them and the heirs of such survivor all the rent issues and proffitts which shall arise and become due out of the lands andtenements commonly called and known by the name of Peards holding in and near the villiage of Curryglass in the sd county of Cork which said lands and tenements I purchased from Wm WAKEHAM Esqr and Richard PEARD Gent I also give and bequeath unto said Robert BULFELL, Bent CROKER and Alice CROKER and the survivor of them and to the heirs of such survivor all the over plus rents which shall arise and become due out of the upper half plowland of Mogeely which I hold by lease from the Earl of Cork and Burlington and all the issues and proffitts of the said lands and over and above the rent reserved to the said Earl and the rents issues and proffitts of the said lands of

Rovesmoore and all the rents issues and proffitts of the lands and tenements called Peards holding I give and bequeath unto said Robert BULFELL, Bent CROKER and Alice CROKER and the survivor of them and to the heirs of such survivor from and after my death until the first day of May which will be in the year of the Lord one thousand seven hundred and twenty eight to the uses and purposes herein mentioned and to no other use intent or purpose whatsoever and from and after such first day of May which will be in the year of our Lord God one thousand seven hundred and twenty eight I give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved son Walter CROKER all the said lands of Rovesmore and all my right titles and interest in and to the said lands and all my right title and interest and term of years yet to come in and to the lands and tenements called Peards holding and all my right title and interest and term of years yet to run in and to the said half plowland of Mogeely and the full benefit of the said lease of the said lands made by the said Earl to have and hold said lands of Rovesmore unto him my said son Walter CROKER and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten and in case my said son Walter CROKER should dye without issue male having issue female then my will is that my said son Walter shall have full power and authority to charge and incumber all or part the said lands of Rovesmore with any sume of sumes of money not exceeding the sume of eight hundred pounds sterling by deed in writing sealed and perfected in the presence of three or more credible witnesses or by his last will and testament in writing attested in the said manner for the maintenance and portions of such issue female lawfully begotten and in the case my said son Walter CROKER should dye without issue male lawfully begotten then my will is that all the said lands of Rovesmore and also the lands and tenements commonly called Peards holding and also the upper half plowland of Mogeely and all any right title interest and term of years then yet to come in and to the said lands and tenements of Rovesmore, Peards holding and the upper half plowland of Mogeely shall come to and remain to my third son Richard CROKER and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten and for the want of such issue male of the body of my said third son Richard CROKER then my will is that the said lands of Rovesmore and the said lands and tenements called Peards holding and my right and interest in and to the said upper plowland of Mogeely shall come and remain unto my second son John CROKER and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten and for want of such issue male of the body of my said John CROKER and also my said sons Walter and Richd CROKER respectively then my will is and I do give and bequeath the remainder and reversion of the said lands of Rovesmore unto my four daughters Mary CROKER, Catherine CROKER, Frances CROKER and Alice CROKER and their heirs for ever and also the said lands called Peards holding and my interest and right in and to the said upper plowland of Mogeely to my said four daughters ~~Mary CROKER, Catherine CROKER, Frances CROKER and Alice CROKER and their heirs for ever and also lands called Peards holding and my interest and right in the said upper half plowland of Mogeely to my said four daughters~~ for and during the severall terms of years then for to come and unexpired by and in the severall tenures and leases they are held and enjoyed Item I give and bequeath unto my said son Walter CROKER and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten all that and those the estate lands and tenements of Lisnabrin and Curriglas mentioned in the settlement made on my marriage to and with Elizabeth CROKER als NETTLES my first wife subject to a jointure therein secured to my dear mother Mary CROKER & for want of issue male of the body of the said Walter CROKER then it is my will is that the lands and tenements mentioned in said settlement shall come and remain to my second son John CROKER and his heirs male of his body lawfully begotten and for want of such of such issue of the body of my said son John CROKER then my will is that the said lands and tenements memtioned in the said settlement shall come and remain to my third son Richard CROKER and the heris male of his body and for want of such issue to my lawful and

right heirs pursuant to said settlement Item I give and bequeath unto the said Robert BULFELL, Bent CROKER and Alice CROKER and the survivor of them and to the heirs of such survivor all the residue and remaining part of the rents issues and proffitts which shall aris and become due out of the lands of Nadrid, Derrine, Knockgultaroe and Clonteadbeg in the said countu over and above the said jointure of sixty pounds to Alice CROKER my present wife to have and to hold all the said lands overlussage of rents issues and proffitts of Nadrid, Derrine , knockgultaroe and Clonteadbeg aforesaid unto the said Robert BULFELL, Bent CROKER and Alice CROKER and the survivor of them and to the heirs of such survivor until such time as my second son John CROKER shall attain the age of twenty one years and in the case my said son John CROKER shal dye before he shall attain the age of twenty one years theb for and during the minority of my said thirs son Richard CROKER to the uses and intents and purposes hereinafter mentioned and expressed and to no otherwise intent or purpose whatsoever and from and after such time as my said son John CROKER shall attain the age of twenty one years I give and bequeath unto him the said John CROKER all that the said lands of Nadrid, Derrine, Knockgultane and Clonteadbeg and all my right title and interest in and to the said lands to have and hold the said lands Nadrid, Derrine, Knockgultane and Clonteadbeg unto him the said John CROKERand his heirs male of his body lawfully begotten subject nevertheless to the annuiety or fortune of sixty pounds per annum herein and hereby bequeathed unto my said wife out of the said lands during her natural life and in case my said son John CROKER should dye without heirs male having issue female lawfully begotten then my will is that my said son John CROKER shall have full power and authority to charge and incumber all or any pert if the said lands of Nadrid, Derrine, Knockgultane and Clonteadbeg with any sume or sumes of money not exceeding in whole the sume six hundred pounds sterling by deed in writing sealed and suly perfected in the presence of three or more credible witnesses or by his last will and testament attested in the same manner for the maintenance and portions of such issue female lawfully begotten and in case my said son John CROKER should dye without issue male lawfully begotten then my will is that the said plowland of Derrine and Knockgultaroe which is now sett to Mr James BARRY shall come and remain with my eldest son Walter CROKER and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten and for want of such issue male of the body of my said sons John and Walter CROKER respectively then my will is that the said said plowland of Derrine and Knockgultaroe shall come and remain upon my third son Richard CROKER and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten and for want of such issue of his body lawfully begotten and for want of such issue male my will is and I do give and bequeath the remainder of the said said plowland of Derrine and Knockgultaroe unto my four daughters Mary CROKER, Catherine CROKER< Frances CROKER and Alice CROKER and to the surviuvor of them and their heirs for ever and in the case my said son John CROKER shall dye without issue male lawfully begotten then my will is the the said lands of Nadrid and Clonteadbeg shall come and remain to my third son Richard CROKER and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten and in the case my said son Richard CROKER shall dye without issue male lawfully begotten having issue female lawfully begotten and my said son Richard CROKER being seized & possessed of the said lands of Nadrid and Clonteadbeg by the death of my said son John CROKER without issue male the my will is that myy said son Richard CROKER shall have full power and authority to charge all or any part of the said lands of Nadrid and Clonteadbeg with any sume not exceeding the sume of six hundred pounds sterling by deed in writing sealed and perfected in the presence of three or more credible witnesses or by his last will and testament in writing attested in the same manner for the maintenance and portions of his issue female lawfully begotten and for want of such issue male of the bodys of my sons John CROKER and Richd CROKER respectively then my swill is that the said lands



of Nadrid and Clonteadbeg shall come and remain to my eldest son Walter CROKER and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten and for want of issue male of the bodys of my said sons John CROKER, Richard CROKER and Walter CROKER respectively then my will is and I do hereby give and bequeath the remainder of the said lands of Nadrid and Clonteadbeg unto my four daughters Mary CROKER, Catherine CROKER, Frances CROKER and Alice CROKER and the survivors of them in equal division and their heirs for ever Item I do give and bequeath unto the said Robert BULFULL, Bent CROKER and Alice CROKER and the survivor of them and the heirs of such survivor all the overplus rents issues and proffitts which shall arise and become due over and above the reserved rents out of the lands of Incheyleagh Colekishey Curryhanearly Knockacothin and Ahagonedy all in the Barony of Musgary and County of Cork all which said last mentioned lands I hold by lease from Arthur BERNARD Esqr. The said Robert BULFELL Bent CROKER and Alice CROKER and the survivor of then and the heirs of such survivor to have and hold all the sd overplus Rents and all the benefits accruing by ~~of~~ the said lease during the minority of my said third son Richard CROKER to the uses intents and purposes herein mentioned and expressed and to no other use intent or purpose whatsoever and from and after such time as my said third son Richard CROKER shall attain the age of twenty-one years I do give and bequeath unto him the said Richard CROKER and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten the full benefit of the said leased land together with the lease of the said lands of Incheyleagh Colekishey Curryhanearly Knockacothin and Ahagonedy and all my right title anmd interest in and to the said Lands And in the case the said Richard CROKER should dye without issue lawfully begotten then my will is that the said lease of the said Lands perfected by the said Arthur BERNARD and all my right titkle and interest in and to the same may be sold to the best bidder by my executrix hereinafter named and all the money arising by such sale to be equally divided between my four daughters Mary, Catherine, Frances and Alice that is to say between such of my said daughters as shall happen to survive my said son Richard CROKER my further will and intent is that out of the Rents issues and proffitts which shall arise and become due unto the said Robert BULFELL Bent CROKER and Alice CROKER and the survivor of them and the heirs of such survivoir out of the Lands tenements and hereditaments of Rovesmore Nadrid Derrine Knockgullaroe & Clonteadbeg aforesaid and also out of the lands and tenements commonly called Peards Holding and out of the overplus rents benefits and advantages which shall or may arise out of the upper half plow land of Mogely abd the lands contained in same lease with it from the said Earl of Cork and also out of all the overplus rents issues and prooffitts which shall [page missed in copying] ... of Twenty pounds sterling yearly and every year from my death until she shall attain such age or marry with the consent as aforesaid Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Frances CROKER the sume of Three hundred pounds sterling to be paid unto her the said Frances CROKER out of said rents issues and proffitts as soon as she shall attain the age of twenty one years or marry with such consent as aforesaid and until she shall attain such age of twenty one or marry with such consent as aforesaid I give and bequeath unto her the said Frances CROKER fifteen pounds sterling yearly and every year for her support and maintenance Item I give and bequeath unto unto my daughter Alice CROKER the sume of Three hundred pounds sterling to be paid unto her the said Alice CROKER out of said rents issues and proffitts as soon as she shall attain the age of twenty one years or marry with such consent as aforesaid and until she shall attain such age of twenty one or marry with such consent as aforesaid until she shall attain such age of twenty one or marry with such consent as aforesaid I give and bequeath unto her the said Alice CROKER fifteen pounds sterling yearly and every year from my death for her support and maintenance Item I geive and bequeath unto my said son Richard CROKER the sume of four hundred pounds sterling to be paid unto him out of the said Rents issues and proiffitts as

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soon as he the said Richard shall attain the age of twenty one years and also the sume of twenty pounds sterling yearly and every year until he shall attain such age for his support & maintenance which said sum of four hundred pounds sterling and the said annuity of twenty pounds sterling to be paid the said Richard CROKER over and above the lease before bequeathed unto him and I give and bequeath to my dearly beloved mother Mary CROKER a guinea to buy a Ring the like to my dear brother John CROKER and the like to my dear brother Samuel CROKER and the like to my dear brother Bent CROKER and the like to my dear Sister Mary WESTON and the like to my dear brother Henry WALLIS and the like to my sister Elizabeth BURGESS and the like to my dear friend Robert BULLFELL Clerk and I give and bequeath unto my sister Jane CROKER ten pounds sterling over and above what I owe her and I do hereby ordain constitute and appoint my dearly beloved wife Alice CROKER to be sole executrix of this my last will and testament and my dear brother Bent CROKER and my dear friend Robert BULLFELL to be trustees for my said children and overseers of this my last will and testament I witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written Ri CROKER (seal) Signed sealed and published by the above named Richard CROKER to be his last will and testament in the presence of us — Katherine RUDDOCK, John KEBBELL, Thomas (his mark) DARAGH

Probatum et approbatum in comine juris founa adisq Curia Rigice Perogae trisenuatrum first testamentum precedent Richard CROKER neporde Nadrid in Cunitatu Conag and defti Chentes ... Alicia CROKER Viduae et relictæ ... Tertio die mensis February Anno Dni 1726 ...

## Appendix C

### ***Letter from Charles Philips CROKER to Thomas Crofton CROKER***

D[ear] Mr CROKER

When I first heard of my brother's death I was so stunned that I forgot your been in the Admiralty, and I wrote to Mr PYNE my brother in law<sup>942</sup> to enquire from his friend Mr HAY the particulars. Mr HAY kindly wrote & said the report was correct of his death.

Now my dear sir as a personal friend & kinsman of my brother in Irish confidentiality to ascertain the feelings of the Board of Admiralty of the subject, from you, & whether Walter<sup>943</sup> had orders, whether he was ???? & whether the Admiralty is to take the subject up — I should be much obliged for a copy the report sent to the Board to ascertain if it agreed with the account which I sent in a newspaper to you. I also wish to learn from you if you please the best way of applying for the pension for his widow who has five out of six children (3 boys & 3 girls) to provide for, The eldest son 18 years of age having Lisnabrin and the property settled on him strictly – his wife & five children are comparatively unprovided for as my brother died in debt

With best respects to Mr CROKER — Believe me my dear Sir y[ours] faithfully

C P CROKER<sup>944</sup>

7 Merrion Square

Decr 9/ 40

T C CROKER<sup>945</sup>

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<sup>942</sup>Charles Philips CROKER married Elizabeth PYNE. She appears to have died in January 1832.

<sup>943</sup>Walter CROKER [9 March 1784 – 24 July 1840] see Marshall *Naval Biography* VII p227.

<sup>944</sup>Charles Philips CROKER MD. [b1793]

<sup>945</sup>Thomas Crofton CROKER [15 January 1798 – 8 August 1854] writer on fairy legends and Clerk in the Admiralty. See *Dictionary of National Biography*.

## Appendix B

### *The Naval career of Walter CROKER of Lisnabrin*

Year	Rank	Ship	Type	Commanding officer	Station
1798	Midshipman	Galatia	frigate	George BYNG	
1802	Midshipman	Culloden	74 gun	Charles H LOVE	
1803	A/g Lieutenant	Plantagenet	74 gun	Graham Eden HAMMOND	Atlantic
1804	Lieutenant	Topaz	36 gun	W T LAKE	
1805	Lieutenant	Amsterdam	32 gun	William FERRIS	West Indies
1805	Lieutenant	Centaur	74 gun	Masrig MAXWELL	West Indies
1806	Lieutenant	Active <sup>946</sup>	38 frigate	Richard MOUBRAY	Hussey Ireland and Mediterranean
1808	Lieutenant	Thomas	frigate	B W TAYLOR	Mediterranean
1809	Lieutenant	Malampres	frigate	Ewdard HAWKS	West Indies
1809	1st Lieutenant	Papillion	sloop	Ewdard HAWKS	West Indies
1809	1st Lieutenant	Lede	64 gun	Ewdard HAWKS	West Indies
1809	1st Lieutenant	Diomedes	64 gun	Ewdard HAWKS	West Indies
1811	1st Lieutenant	Fariause	frigate	W MOUMSEY	Mediterranean

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<sup>946</sup>Sailing Ships of the British Royal Navy in the Adriatic — ACTIVE was then sent to inform the fleets off Brest and Ireland. She remained off Ireland for a time and, on 27 April 1806, captured the French letter of marque schooner AMI,4, taking wine from Bordeaux to Cayenne.

ACTIVE returned to the Mediterranean to accompany Sir John DUCKWORTH to the Dardanelles in February 1807 as part of Sir Thomas LOUIS' squadron. The fleet entered Dardanelles on the 19th. Between the narrow passage of Sestros and Abydos and Point Pesquies they found a squadron of Turkish warships lying at anchor under a formidable battery of 31 heavy guns on the point and, while POMPEE, THUNDERER and STANDARD anchored amongst them, ACTIVE continued under sail and engaged a 56-gun frigate. The enemy ship cut her cables and was driven ashore on the European side and although the boats were pelted by shot thrown by hand, Lieuts. George WILLES and Walter CROKER managed to board her through the stern windows, laid a train to the magazine and blew her up. ACTIVE had 8 men wounded including the Boatswain who died later.

Capt. MOUBRAY was ordered to remain off Point Pesquies to protect the party from POMPEE destroying the battery there. As the fleet returned through the Dardanelles on 3 March ACTIVE was hit by a granite shot weighing 800 pounds and 6 ft. 6 ins. in diameter. It passed through the side about 2 ft above the water line and finished up on the orlop deck without injuring anyone.

ACTIVE remained cruising in the Archipelago before sailing to Malta for repairs.

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1814 Commander Wizard sloop Walter CROKER Mediterranean

## Appendix C

### ***The grandfather of Baroness CROFTON***

There has been, in the past, some confusion over the identity of John who was the grandfather of Baroness CROFTON. It is clear now that he was John of Dublin son of Walter junior and brother to Richard of Nadrid, Co Cork. We call him John A.

For over a century, Burke's Landed Gentry and related publications have stated that the Baroness's grandfather was a younger son of the Ballynagarde branch. This John son of John of Ballynagarde who died in 1751 we denote as John C.

John C was alive after 1751 — he made deeds in 1754.

The grandfather of the Baroness died in 1750 — her father Thomas as sole executor of his father's will disposed of some of his father's estate in January 1750/1.

Moreover, as executor he had to be of full age when the will was drawn up in 1744 and thus born before 1723 — at that time John C was said to be fourteen.

It is possible that John C worked in the office of John A probably training there. Another aspect to the confusion may be that John A is said by Robinson to have married Sarah CROKER who is said to be daughter of John of Dublin. Sarah spinster daughter of John A married Charles of Dublin another lawyer in 1759. We believe that John A's wife was in fact the daughter of *Walter* son of *John I* of Ballynagarde. Thus both *Thomas's* grandfathers were called *Walter* CROKER — a recipe for confusion. It is likely that some land associated with this second Walter of the Ballynagarde branch was passed down though Thomas giving the impression that his father was of this branch when it was his mother who had the association.

Robinson was aware of the problems of calling *John C* the grandfather of the Baroness and published the inconsistent dates for *John C's* and *Thomas's* births respectively 14 October 1709 and 1717.

As *Walter* son of *John I* of Ballynagarde is little recorded earlier genealogists in trying to fit *John A* into the Ballynagarde line because of the land connection misallocated him to *John C*.

## Appendix E

### **William Swan CROKER's<sup>947</sup> Memorandum**

I was the only son of Thomas Swan CROKER<sup>948</sup>. My father was the only son of Edward Abraham CROKER<sup>949</sup>, Killinalack<sup>950</sup> House, Ct Limerick, Ireland. My father was son of Edward Abraham CROKER and nephew of General CROKER [of] India<sup>951</sup>.

### **List of my Relations**

General CROKER of India was brother to Edward A CROKER. General Sir Eyre COOTE<sup>952</sup> was my father's cousin, Queens County Ireland. Lord Castle COOTE<sup>953</sup> Chief Commissioner of the Custom House Dublin Ireland - His son (sic) Lord Clentwerd<sup>954</sup> was his heir to Lord Castle COOTE (sic), Earl of Limerick<sup>955</sup> Ireland cousin to him. Sir Charles COOTE of

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<sup>947</sup>This form of the memorandum was written out by the author's grandmother prior to her death in 1932 and passed down to him. There are a number of other versions of the memorandum in existence.

<sup>948</sup>Born c 1775-80 ? Limerick; m (1) Mary WILSON 7 March 1807; m (2) c17 June 1826 Anne Jane WOLFE eldest daughter of Philpot Rogerson WOLFE (d1821) of Belcamp Cottage Balbriggan, Secretary to Board of Works. Anne CROKER widow was living at Belcamp Cottage in 1838 when she made a deed with her step son William Swan CROKER. Although Thomas Swan CROKER died 26 January 1837 he appears in Samuel Lewis's *Topographical Dictionary of Ireland* 1837 as having a seat 'Tankerville' at Balbriggan.

<sup>949</sup>Edward Abraham CROKER appears to have been born circa 1750. He became a grocer in Limerick and was made a freeman there in 1784. He married at Kilmallock on 10 June 1784 Deborah COOTE daughter of Thomas COOTE of Kilfinane, Co Limerick and Eleanor WHITE. Deborah appears to have been his second wife. Thomas COOTE was brother of General Sir Eyre COOTE and Rt Rev Charles COOTE DD, Dean of Kilfenora.

Edward Abraham CROKER of Kilmallock was a witness of a deed between Chidley COOTE of Ashhill and John COOTE of Charleville dated 24 October 1788 [John COOTE was a brother-in-law of Edward Abraham CROKER]: Registry of Deeds, Book 410 Page 37 Memorial 265879.

<sup>950</sup>A transcription error for Kilmallock.

<sup>951</sup>Robert CROKER c1749 – 13 April 1817 who had the following ranks (Local rank in the East Indies) according to various *Army Lists*. Lieut Col from 1 Jan 1798, Major Gen from 25 April 1808, Lieut Gen from 4 Jun 1813. Died at Masulipatam (Bandar) India. See page 116

Gen Robert CROKER was a son of John CROKER of Youghal, Glanaboy and Tallow who married Alice DREW of Ballinlough Kilkenny in 1738. Alice DREW was a daughter of John DREW.

<sup>952</sup>The Younger was Thomas Swan CROKER's step mother's cousin.

<sup>953</sup>Charles Henry COOTE in Burkes *Irish Family Records*.

<sup>954</sup>A transcription error for Lord GLENTWORTH son and heir of Edward Henry PERY the first Earl of Limerick and his wife Mary Alice ORMSBY daughter of Henry ORMSBY of Clogher and Mary HARTSTONGE sister of Sir Henry HARTSTONGE Bt.

<sup>955</sup>Edmond Henry PERY created Viscount 1800 and Earl of Limerick 1 January 1803.

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Queens Co Ireland was my father's cousin. Colonel COOTE<sup>956</sup> of Her Majesty's 38th Regiment.

Cap Geo COOTE<sup>957</sup> [of the] Grenadiers my father's Cousins. Major SWAN<sup>958</sup> uncle to my father.

My father was in Her Majesty's Service 45 years in the Custom House Dublin<sup>959</sup>.

I W'm Swan CROKER the only surviving son of Thos S CROKER served 7 years in Her Majesty's Service Drogheda<sup>960</sup>. Born in the City of Dublin.

Signed

W'm S CROKER

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<sup>956</sup>Robert COOTE c1778 – 23 October 1828 Lieut Col 32nd Foot 4 Jun 1815. Another version of the memorandum has "Colonel Coote of the gallant 32nd Regiment". His memorial was erected by his unmarried sister Maria. He is appears to have been a son of Robert COOTE and Frances MEREDYTH of County Kerry.

<sup>957</sup>Capt George COOTE c1743 – 24 May 1797 of the 24th Foot.

<sup>958</sup>William Bellingham SWAN d 12 Jan 1837 (son of William SWAN (d<1791) and Jane LEE (d 12 Jul 1791) the widow of Walter CHAMBERLANE (whom she married by Killaloe licence 1749), Assistant to Major of Dublin Garrison c1798-1830. Wounded in the arrest of Lord Edward FITZGERALD on 18 May 1798. See Sir Richard MUSGRAVE *Memoirs of the different rebellions in Ireland* London 1804 pp206—210. He states that Captain SWAN received "a wound in the hand, and different wounds in the body; one of them under the ribs was deep and dangerous, and bled most copiously." In the *Freeman's Journal* he is described as Mr Justice SWAN in their description of the capture and contemporary events — see for example issues dated 22 and 31 May 1798. The weapon used by Lord Edward to defend himself was later stolen from Major SWAN's house by Emma Lucretia DOBBIN the daughter of Rev William DOBBIN DD and Catherine COOTE (see *J Royal Soc Antiquaries of Ireland* Vol 41 (1911) p376-379. Emma Luretia married Phillip LE FANU (Very Rev Dean of Emly) and died 11 March 1861 see *Freeman's Journal* 13 March 1861. Major SWAN is described in *Irish Genealogist* V6 p489.

He was Inspector General of Excise and Licences of Ireland 1817 (*Treble Almanack*) and Freeman of Dublin Christmas 1797 Goldsmith by birth right. Descended from Sir Daniel BELLINGHAM Kt and Bt goldsmith and banker the first Lord Mayor of Dublin. Half-brother of Edward Bellingham SWAN Prerogative Will 1788, Gentleman Usher to the Lord Lieutenant 1770, Commissioner for Stamps and Accounts from 1776 (*Gentlemen's Magazine* 1776 p336). His wife Grace COOTE (c1758 – 22 December 1828 obituary *Freeman's Journal* 26 December 1828) and was described by Emma DOBBIN's as a relative of her mother. Grace was a daughter of Thomas COOTE of Kilfinane, sister to Deborah COOTE who married Edward Abraham CROKER and thus Emma DOBBIN's mother's cousin. William Bellingham SWAN signed the Kilfinane Vestry Book in 1786 indicating he was living there at the time. It is likely that he married Grace COOTE at Kilfinane in the early or mid 1780s. He was trustee for the marriage settlement of Margaret CROKER (d circa 14 August 1836 – *Freeman's Journal*) (a half sister of Thomas Swan CROKER) and Joseph SMITH in 1807.

<sup>959</sup>Joined as a Cadet 20 Aug 1794, was earning £700 pa in 1817 and £1100 pa in 1825.

<sup>960</sup>In the Customs Service prior to coming to Australia in 1840?



## Appendix F

### *Inscriptions in Youghal Church*

In the nave, on the gallery front, is a series of wooden plaques relating to charities, including:

1718

Thos CROKER Esq

out of a house

to distributed

on

21st Dec: £4-0-0

In the vestry:

Aldm Thos CROKER who departed this life the 4th Jan 1718 aged between 66 & 67 left to the poor of the borough of Youghal the sum of four pounds a year to be paid out of the rents of the house John FARMER lives in for ever and to be distributed at his late dwelling house every St Thomas's Day

Note: from the AA Illustrated Road Book of Ireland:

At the end of William Street is St Mary's Collegiate Church (Church of Ireland) built on earlier foundations by Thomas the 8th Earl of Desmond, in the second half of the 15th century. It is the largest medieval parish church in Ireland. The church is cruciform ... A square tower, 63 feet high with walls 8 feet thick stands separate from the church and is used as a belfry.

## Appendix G

### ***The will of Walter CROKER of Corrabella***<sup>961</sup>

In the name of God amen I Walter CROKER of Corrabella in the County of Tipperary Esq, being now in the City of Cork do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking all prior wills and testamentary depositions by me made.

I leave, devise and bequeath unto my dearly beloved wife the sum of £100 sterling and no more, she being provided for by the settlement executed on my marriage with her.

I leave and bequeath all the rest, residue and remainder of my estate real and personal and all and every property of every description whatever whereof I am seized possessed or in any manner entitled unto my most respected and valuable friend the Right Honourable Earl of Donoughmore and to my brother John Wilson CROKER and to the survivor of them, his heirs executors administrators and assigns (subject to several sums of £800 for my daughters) to and for the sole use benefit and behoof of my son John CROKER, his heirs executors administrators and assigns and appoint the said Earl of Donoughmore and my said brother John Wilson CROKER executors of this my last will and testament and guardians of all my said children, together with my said wife during her widowhood but no longer, during their respective minorities.

Witness my hand and seal this Twenty fifth day of March 1816.

(Signed)           Walter CROKER

Signed sealed and delivered by the testator as and for his last will and testament in our presence who in his presence at his request and in the presence of each other have hereto set our names and witnesses.

James O'BRIEN

Timothy O'SULLIVAN

Wm GREGH

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<sup>961</sup>From the original in possession of Miss Emily PENNELL of 46 Allison Road, Acton, London circa 1958 but it was not found among her papers after her death in 1960.

## Appendix H

### ***Petition***

The petition of the daughters of Walter CROKER of Corrabella — To the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury

The humble memorial of Catherine PENNELL and Margaret PENNELL sheweth that the mother of your memorialists died in 1820 having previously made a will, bequeathing to your memorialists the sum of £1,610 Irish currency then secured by mortgage on the estate of Colonel Arthur HYDE of Castle Hyde in the County of Cork and appointing Richard, late Earl of Donoughmore a relative of their said mother's and Robert HOLMES Esqr (no relative, but then Agent of Lord Donoughmore) executors of her said will.

That the said Robert HOLMES alone took probate of said will and received from time to time the interest due on said mortgage.

That in 1821 your memorialists went to reside at the colony of the Cape of Good Hope and that your memorialist Catherine was absent from this country till 1828 and your memorialist Margaret until 1833.

That in 1827 (during the absence of your memorialists) Colonel HYDE paid off the principal sum of said mortgage with the interest then due thereon amounting together to the sum of £1733-5-2 into the hands and upon receipt of said Robert HOLMES as executor of your memorialists' mother.

That at the time such a sum of £1733-5-2 was paid to Mr HOLMES in trust for them, HOLMES had become Collector of Excise for the District of Sligo in Ireland and was in the habit of lodging monies with the Provincial Bank in Sligo.

That on the 4th day of August the said sum of £1733-5-2 was paid by Colonel HYDE into the bank of Latouche and Co in Dublin to be remitted to the Principal Bank of Sligo to the credit of Mr HOLMES and it appears by the books of the said bank that the said sum was on the 6th August duly received and placed to his credit.

That the absence of your memorialists from England and the protracted difficulties arising therefrom, delayed the proceedings necessary for their said trust money till the year 1832, when at length all proper proceedings had been taken and they expected to receive the sum forthwith, but most unexpectedly and unfortunately at this stage of the business Mr HOLMES was seized with cholera and died at Sligo in the month of August after an illness of only two days.

That it appears by the books of the said Provincial Bank that at the time of Mr HOLMES death there stood to his credit in the said bank the sum of £3227-0-9 including of course the aforesaid sum of £1733-5-2 which justly belonged to your memorialists, but it appears that the said Robert HOLMES was at the time of his sudden death indebted to the Crown in the sum of £3000 and upwards, the whole of the said balance of £3227-0-9 was seized by the Crown by process out of the Court of Exchequer to the utter prejudice and defeat of your memorialists claim.

That your memorialists are advised that if it were possible specifically to identify the trust money paid unto the Bank as forming part of the said general balance remaining in the Bank at Mr HOLMES sudden death, they would be by law entitled to the same, notwithstanding claims of the Crown on the estate of Mr HOLMES, and altho'[ugh] your lordships must be

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well aware that the proof of such specific identity of a sum paid into a bank is, from the nature of the case impossible, your memorialists humbly rely that in equity and justice they had a distinct and prior right to as much of said balance as must in fact have been composed of their trust money of £1733-5-2 because, not only is such balance found in the same bank, into which their money was originally paid, but there is no other fund or property whatsoever, out of which their just claim can be satisfied.

Your memorialists by leave further to state to your Lordships compassion that this sum of £1733-5-2 constitutes the whole of the provision left to them by their parents, except for an annuity of £15 per annum each, and that even this poor resource will expire in 1835.

Your memorialists humbly trust that on a consideration of all the extraordinary circumstances of this case, their own absence in the Colonies, where their husbands were employed in the public service, which prevented their receiving the money when repaid, the sudden and unexpected death of Mr HOLMES, just at the moment they were about to receive their money, the destitution in which they will find themselves, the one with a numerous family and the other with two infant daughters, will induce your Lordships in your humanity and justice to waive the rigid right of the Crown, in a case where not merely charity and compassion, but right and equity are clearly in their favour, and to be pleased to direct the said sum of £1733-5-2 (which in fact and in conscience must be considered as their own vested property, upon which legacy duty has been paid as belonging to them and which but for the sudden death of Mr HOLMES they would have received without doubt or difficulty) may be repaid to them and

Your memorialist will ever pray

Catherine PENNELL

Margaret PENNELL

22 April 1834

No 14 Duke Street

Westminster

Note:

Their cousin Sir William Webb FOLLETT was living in Duke Street, Westminster at this time. He was Solicitor-General in 1835.

From other related correspondence it appears that the matter was unresolved in 1834.

## Appendix X

### ***CRO(C)KER Administrations from the Phillips Manuscript***

Name, Place etc	Date	To whom granted	Comment
John CROCKER, Londonderry Merchant	7 Feb 1659	Mary CROCKER the widow	Note: Betham Abstract of Prerog will Mary CROKER pr 24 Jul 1676 mentions only niece Anne relick of John BARRY and her children
John CROCKER, Ballyanker, County Waterford	12 Sep 1661	Thomas CROCKER the brother	Thomas alive in 1661 so was not the husband of Elizabeth widow who leased the properties on the Lismore estate 1649–52.
Hugh CROCKER, Cappoquin, County Waterford	11 Sep 1661	Honora CROKER als CROCKER the daughter	Seems to indicate that she was married rather than simply using a different spelling.  John the executor of the estate of Hugh died before completing the administration.
Walter CROCKER sen of Lisnabrew Co Cork	12 Sep 1661	Walter CROKER the son	
Barry CROCKER, Youghall, County Cork, Esq	22 Jun 1662	Walter CROCKER of Limerick the nephew	Provides the connection Walter of Limerick and Walter junior.
Thomas CROCKER, Youghall, County Cork, Gent	20 Dec 1662	Ruth CROCKER als HASSARD als GWYN the mother	Ruth was widowed prior to marrying Barry. Her family name was either HASSARD or GWYN.
John CROCKER, Londonderry	6 Aug 1676	John REYNOLDS of the same the next of kin	John son of John above had no children.
Joachim CROCKER, Dublin, painter	2 Feb 1669	Maria CROCKER a minor the daughter and Frances CROCKER the widow	

Name, Place etc	Date	To whom granted	Comment
Barry CROKER, County Youghall, Cork, Esq	22 Jun 1662	Walter CROKER of Limerick the nephew	Provides the connection Walter of Limerick and Walter junior.
Hugh CROKER, County Cappoquin, Waterford, Esq	23 Dec 1663	John CROKER City of Limerick for Hugh CROKER the son	Hugh the son was alive but perhaps infirm.  Did Honora die between Sep and Dec 1661 or did she relinquish the grant of administration for some other reason  Note: Prerog will Hugh of Ballyhamlis dated 1667 pr 1668.
Anne CROKER of Scule, County Limerick	15 May 1686	Anne CROKER City of Limerick	Anne of Limerick is probably Anne widow of Thomas of Cahirkereely and the other Anne her daughter.
Elizabeth CROKER als IVERS of Ballinegarde	18 Jul 1709	John CROKER of same place the husband	
Henry CROKER of Ballynegarde	15 May 1762	Joh CROKER the lawful brother	
Edward CROKER of Tallow, County Waterford	11 Nov 1791	Thomas CROKER the brother and Martha CROKER the widow	
Sarah CROKER	6 Nov 1799	Charles CROKER of Dublin Attorney the husband	

## **Appendix I**

***Inverell Times Friday 13 April 1923***

### ***FASHIONABLE WEDDING BRAY--FUTTER***

One of the most fashionable and pretty weddings that have taken place in Inverell for many years was solemnised at St. Augustine on Wednesday afternoon last, when Mr Leslie James Bray, son of the late James Bray, formerly Police Magistrate at Grafton, and the late Mrs I A. Bray, of Sydney, was joined in the holy bonds of wedlock to Nedda Sedley, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Futter, of the Commercial Bank, Inverell. The Vicar, Rev. E. H. Stammer, officiated. Miss Patt presided at the organ, and the service was fully choral. The guests occupied all but a few rows of seats, and so great was the interest manifested in the event that hundreds were unable to gain admission to the sacred edifice. The church was beautifully decorated by the girl friends of the bride, the predominating features being a large arch near the altar, bowls of flowers, and an exquisite wedding-bell suspended above the chancel. The frame for this was lent by Mrs. S. J. S. Butler, whilst the decorative part was designed by Mrs. F. W. Lethbridge. The bride entered the church on the arm of her father, who subsequently gave her away. She looked exceedingly attractive and radiantly happy in a magnificent dress of ivory figured crepe de chene, the front and back panels of cloth of silver, with a girdle of pearls. The court train was of silver tissue, veiled with georgette. She also wore a spray of orange blossoms, with pearl trimmings, and a veil of hand-made Brussels lace. Her shower bouquet comprised white orchids and carnations, tied with silver streamers and lace. The bridesmaids, were the Misses Zelina and Sheila Futter, sisters of the bride. The former wore a frock of turquoise figured crepe de chene, with a girdle of hand-made silver flowers and georgette sleeves to match, the latter forming a side train. Miss Sheila Futter was attired, in mauve figured crepe de chene, with long georgette sleeves forming a side train. Both bridesmaids wore tulle veils adorned with hand-made silver leaves, and cut amber necklets, the latter being gifts from the bridegroom. They also carried lovely bouquets of yellow flowers and mauve orchids and sweet peas respectively, the color shades being simply gorgeous. Mr. H. E. Manning was best man, and Mr. Roy Thomas groomsmen.

The reception was held at the school of Arts hall, about 150 partaking of an excellent repast provided by Mr. W. Kautz. Mrs. Futter received her guests in a dress of blue cashmere de soie. The wedding presents were displayed on a long table on the stage, the popularity of the bride being strikingly evidenced by the magnificent collection of useful and costly articles, in addition to a large number of cheques. Miss Short's orchestra played catchy selections, which if it were possible to do so added to the enjoyment of the function. The hall was tastefully decorated by the matron friends of the bride. The Rev. Stammer presided and proposed the health of "bride and bridegroom," to which the bridegroom responded and in turn gave the toast of "The Bridesmaids." Mr. Manning made a fitting acknowledgment. The only other toast to be proposed was that of "The Parents," which was entrusted to Dr. Kinross, and replied to by Mr. Futter. All the speeches were decidedly good and humorous, and the various toasts were heartily honored. During an interval Miss Una Pike gave a delightful rendition of "Love's a

Merchant." The wedding cake was symbolical of travel, a miniature ship, with the name (Niagara) of the vessel by which the newly married couple are shortly voyaging to America being painted thereon. The decorations also consisted of numerous ship's bells, davits, and other nautical devices. Prior to the loyal toast Mr. A. B. McGregor, solicitor of Sydney, and a personal friend of the bridegroom announced that 55 congratulatory telegrams had been received, and a radio message from Miss Nornia Ring from the 'Narkuuda' now midway between Fremantle and Colombo. The function ended with the singing of Auld Lang Syne and cheers for the bridal couple. Mr. and Mrs. Bray left almost immediately for Glen Innes, en route to Sydney. They propose sailing on the Niagara, which leaves Sydney on May 3rd., and have also booked passages on the Moratania which departs from New York to London in a few months' time. The bride's travelling dress was a grey silk sponge cloth, trimmed with cut steel. She also wore grey suede shoes, with cut steel buckles. Her hat was of cherry colored chenille, with hand bag to match. She also wore a costly ermine cape, that had been sent to Australia by the Russian Government for display purposes, and later purchased by the bridegroom as a present for his bride.

The invited guests were: —

Mr. and Mrs. Ring and Misses Ringg, Mr. Wallace Ring, Mr. and Mrs. Marks', Miss Hislop, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Cotton, Mr. Harry Cotton, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Harston, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Harston, Mr. and Mrs. Buckuell, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wilson, Dr. and Mrs. Stuckey, Mr. and Mrs. Bone, Dr. Kinross, Mr. Jack Kinross, Mr. and Mrs. O. Z. Throsby, Mr. Mrs. and the Misses McIntyre, Mr. and Mrs. Wiltshire, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Stirton, Mrs. Readett, Mr. P. C. Campbell, Mrs. M. Braith Turner, Misses K. and D. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Avern, Dr. and Mrs. McInnes, Dr. and Mrs. Vernon, Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Isaacs, Mr. A. Richardson, Mr. Eric Bray, Miss R. Jones, Mr. J. Woodcock, Mrs. I. Bray, Mr. John Bray, Mr. and Mrs. Firth, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. Rowland, Mrs. Fieldhouse, the Misses Fieldhouse, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Fieldhouse, Mr. B. Fieldhouse, Mrs. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bray, Mr. and Mrs. John Boardman, Mr., Mrs. and the Misses Markham, Mrs. Britten, Mr. R. C. Bray, Mr. C. Bray, Mr. and Mrs. McFarlane, Dr. and Mrs. Clayton, Mr. and Mrs. Mudge, Mr. and Mrs. Knapton, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Warner, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Warner, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Kemp, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Dale, Mr. and Mrs. Northcott, Mr. Cedric Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. A. de M. Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. Ramsay, Mr. and Mrs. Horsley, Mr. R. V. Dunlop, Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Cooper, Mr. Ernest Hargrave, Misses Hargrave, Mr. Charles Dowe, Rev. and Mrs. Stevenson, Mr. and Mrs. Bowling, Mrs. C. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. John Strang and the Misses Strang, Dame Alice Chisholm, Mr. Geo. Roper, the Misses Coogan, Miss Rita Buckland, Mrs. Hertzberg, and the Misses Hertzberg, Mr. and Mrs. Boardman, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Jack Tilley, Mr. Reg. Barker, Mr. and Mrs. Oswald Marks, Mr. Russell Marks, Mr. and Mrs. Kelman, Mr. and Mrs. Dight, Mr. and Mrs. Body, the Misses Body, Messrs. Body, Miss Durack, Mr. and Mrs. Lethbridge, Mr. and Mrs. Alee. Campbell, Mrs. Lawry, Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie and Miss McKenzie, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Simpson, Mr., Mrs. and Miss Swan, Mr. and Mrs. D. Swan, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Butler and the Misses Butler, Mr. Clifford Butler, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Capel, Miss Mary Loxton, Mr. and Mrs. Borthwick, Miss Jean Borthwick, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Higgins, Mr. and Mrs. W. Burrowes, Mr. and Mrs. H. Thoinnes, Mr. Gordon



Thomas, Miss Jessie Thomas, Mr. Roy Thomas, Mr. H. E. Manning, Mr. J. G. Edie, Mr. C. C. Wynn, Mr Peter Northcott, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Ronald Duncan, Mr. Lance Peacockc, Mr and Mrs. Bice, Rev. and Mrs. Stammer, Mr. C. C. Vindin, Miss M. Bullock, Miss Cox, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Smith, Miss Smith, Mr. C. Smith, Mr. Jack Vivers, Mr. Gordon Cooper, Mr. H. S. Anderson, Mr. C. Moroy, Miss Gilchrist. Miss McLean, Mr. St. Clair Hughes, Mr. John Borthwick, Mr. and Mrs. Rice, Mr. H. Buxtou, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Futter, Miss E. Futter, Mr. and Mrs. D. Forster, Mr .and Mrs. Pantou Craik, Miss G. Car Boyd, Dr. and Mrs. Corfe. Miss Campbell, Mr. A. D. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Ellis, Miss Ida Rickey, Mr. C Lydiard, Miss Bon Wiltshire, Miss Una Pike.

## Appendix

### ***Cork City Report of the Pipe Water Commissioners 1809<sup>963</sup>***

<b>Surname</b>	<b>Firstname</b>	<b>Street</b>	<b>2003 Street name</b>	<b>Parish</b>	<b>L.S.D.</b>	<b>Notes</b>
CROKER	Edward	S. Main St. (e.side)	S. Main St.	Christ's	£60	baker
CROKER	Edward, & Co.	George's Quay	George's Quay	Nicholas's	£40	
CROKER	John	Broad Lane (S. side)	lane built on	St. Peter's	£14	cabinet maker
CROKER	Mrs.	Thomas St.	Thomas St.	St Peter's	£30	
CROKER	Thos.	Marlborough St. (w.side)	Marlborough St.	Christ's	£40	

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<sup>963</sup>Richard O'Callaghan: Valuation of the Houses in the Different Parishes in the City of Cork supplied with Pipe Water taking all Houses of ten Pounds per year and Upwards for the purpose of Lessening the price at present paid and Establishing Public Fountains; 2002

## Appendix yy

### ***Death of Captain Walter CROKER, of H. M. Ship "Favourite"***

It is with feelings of the most heartfelt regret, that we announce the death, or rather the murder, of this veteran and gallant officer, which took place on Wednesday, the 24th of June last, while attempting to take the Heathen Stockade of Bea, in the Island of Tongataboo, in the south seas. In former publications we have given the greater part of this gentleman's history — we have expatiated on his slow advance, which advance was so well deserved from his long and arduous services — and now it is our melancholy task to record his death while in the gallant performance of his duty. We have at least one pleasure in the performance of our melancholy task, which is to inform the world that Captain CROKER died as he lived — a true British sailor — his sword in his hand, and his heart where a Briton's ought to be (we mean, in the right place), while with his last expiring gasp he commanded his men to advance their duty. The following is an account of the particulars as full and true as the hurried in which we had to collect. On the arrival of H. M. S. Favourite at the Island of Tangataboo, a letter was sent on board to the commander, Captain CROKER, from the Missionaries residing on the island, informing him that the Heathen natives were at war with them, and soliciting his assistance. On receipt of which information he mustered the hands on board the Favourite, and told them that he had not the power to command them to go ashore, but would leave it to themselves to volunteer, which of them would accompany him. A great number of the crew at once volunteered, and three guns, consisting of two six pounders and one twelve pounder were taken on shore, and conveyed to a short distance in the interior, on the rise of a hill which commanded a full view of the Heathen Stockade. On their arrival at the place a female messenger was dispatched to the Stockade for the purpose of effecting a truce with the natives within the Stockade. During her absence, King George, accompanied by about three hundred of his soldiers (Missionary tribe, as they call themselves) arrived at the spot for the purpose of assisting the British. On the return of the woman, the flag of truce was hoisted within the stockade, and a few minutes afterwards a Welshman who goes under the name 'Jemmy the Devil,' and who, though a white man and a British subject, is the ruler and ringleader of these unfortunate Heathens, made his appearance, and was hailed by Captain CROKER with "Well, Jemmy, I am glad to find that you are willing to come to amicable terms— What can I do for you?" "Oh!" says Jemmy in return, "You can do a deal for me if you like;" evidently meaning that it would have been all over with him if he got into the clutches of Captain CROKER. That gentleman then informed him that the only terms of peace that he could make, would be to level both the Heathen and Missionary forts to the ground. The Welshman then said that he could not consent to that until he had consulted several of the Chiefs, whose answer he would return in half an hour. To this Captain CROKER acceded, and waited with patience the time appointed at the gate of the Heathen Fort. At length having waited past the appointed time, and getting impatient, he knocked at the gate with the hilt of his sword several times, and received no answer to his repeated summons; he then struck through the door with his sword, which, on withdrawing, he found covered with blood. Captain CROKER then flourished his sword over his head, and ordered his men to advance with their guns. They immediately advanced within the

distance of one hundred yards from the gate of the stockade, thinking that they would frighten the inmates by doing so, instead of which they immediately commenced firing a volley of musketry through numerous loop-holes of the fortification. As soon as the firing commenced, 'King George' and his army decamped, saying that they were going round to besiege the fort on the other side. Captain CROKER finding the musketry too strong to enable his men stand at their guns, ordered them to advance with their bridges and scaling ladders for the purpose of crossing the trench and besieging the fort. Immediately after giving this order Captain CROKER received a shot in his leg, and staggered a few paces to the rear, at the same time calling on his men to behave themselves like British seamen. At this time several of his party were wounded and two men killed, when a shot struck him in the left breast, and he staggered into the arms of one of his crew, exclaiming "Fight on, and do your duty as British seamen." As the person into whose arms he had fallen was carrying him to the rear, he said feebly, "Lay me down, and go and fight." Having uttered these words, this gallant officer fell back and expired. The survivors finding the musketry so strong, and having lost their commander, were obliged at last to retreat, and leave their guns, carrying with them their dead and wounded, the former of which they afterwards interred. In the evening the savages from the fort issued out, and took possession of the guns and ammunition left behind by the crew of the Favourite, which they have erected for the defence of their stockade. Our space will not allow us to prolong our report at present; the following is a list of the killed and wounded:

Killed— Walter CROKER, Esq., Commander; the Quartermaster, and the Gunner's mate. —

Wounded — Mr. Dunlop, first Lieutenant, and 19 of the crew.

### ***Sydney Gazette 18 January 1840***

Walter Croker, Esq.

Commander of H. M. S. Favorite.

On a late occasion we brought under the attention of our readers the improvements and alterations suggested by the Naval and Military Commission of Enquiry, we also animadverted on the infamous partiality, and disgraceful neglect. My Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty—both Whig and Tory. Who spoke in general terms, but one fact is worth a thousand general or sweeping accusations, and without further preface from ourselves, we instance the history of the gallant veteran now in our port in command of H. M. S. Favourite. Who copy it from Marshall's Royal Naval Biographer; and when the fender arrives

at the conclusion, let him judge whether any language can be too severe in which to condemn the conduct of the civil administrators of Naval patronage.

Walter Croker, Esq., son of the late Edward Croker, of Lisnabrin House, near Tallow, co. Cork, Esq., by Thomasine, daughter of the Rev. Charles Phillips, lecturer of Magoorney in the same county, (he is collaterally descended from one of the old Saxon families, settled at Lynham (or Lyneham) Hall, in Devonshire. long before the Norman conquest. Two of the younger sons of that house, both of whom were officers of rank in the army, went over to Ireland in the reign of Queen Elizabeth; the eldest of whom settling at Ballinagar, co.

Limerick; and the other (Hugh Crocker) uniting himself in marriage to Lucietia, daughter and sole heiress of Sir Walter Coppingcr, of Lisnabrin whose ancestors had possessed that property for several centuries. From Hugh Croker, the subject of this memoir is lineally descended. His great-grandfather Colonel Richard Croker (who we believe was the first that ceased to use the middle letter in the patronymic of his formal heirs, retaining however, the same arms and crest), was likewise possessed of the noble estate of Nadrid, and another called Rovesmore, both in the county of Cork of which he was twice High Sheriff in very troublesome times.

From the houses of Ballinagar and Lisnabrin, are probably descended, however distantly, every one of the name of Croker, who is entitled to wear the arms and crest of the ancient Crocker family; the latter mark of distinction, we should observe, was given by King Edward the Fourth, to his cup-bearer, Sir John Crocker, Mayor of Exeter.

Mr. Waller Croker was born on the 9th March, 1781, and commenced his highly honourable career early in 1798, as midshipman, on board the *Galates* frigate, commanded by Captain George Byng, under whom he served for a period of four years – During the peace of Amiens, we find in the *Culludon* 74, Captain Charles Henry Lane, (afterwards Commissioner at Antigua); and in March, 1803, joined the *Plantagenet* of similar force, Captain (now Sir Graham Eden) Hammond, from whom at a subsequent period, he received the following testimonial of his early gallantry and zeal; –

“Dear Sir—In answer to yours of yesterday, requesting I will give you a certificate of an occurrence that

happened while you were under my command in the *Plantagenet*. I beg to say, that although it is so long ago, I have a perfect recollection of it, which I believe is nearly as follows :— in the month of July, 1893[recte 1793], I captured, after a very arduous chase, *l'Atalante* a ship privateer of Bordeaux, of 22 guns and 120 men. The night coming on, together with a gale of wind, one boat load of prisoners could only be received on board the *Plantagenet*, and Lieutenant Batt, yourself and another midshipman with about 15 seamen and marines, remained on board the prisoner; you passed company in the night, and I never saw the *Atalante* again. After your parting from the *Plantagenet*, the French crew, then consisting of upwards of a 100, rose upon, more than once, and nothing but great courage and perseverance on the part of yourself, Lieut. Batt, and the few men he had with him, succeeded in getting the privateer into Falmouth; from whence a detachment of soldiers from the garrison of Pendennis Castle, were given to assist your taking the privateer to Plymouth.

"Lieut. Batt, in reporting the circumstance to

me afterwards,' «made high comments on your personal

gallantry, and I am assured he received from

you on the occasion > . . . - '

" I hope this statement will sufficiently answer

your purpose ; for I have nothing to say to you

>Refer to. I refer,

Dear Sir, yodrs verV faithfully,

(Signed) GRAHAM L. HANMONO,"

L'iitihnte was captured on the 27th of July, and

Mr. Croker and his companions continued seven

days and nights in the perilous situation described

by Sir Graham Elamond, One morning, an

enemy's lugger was seen at some distance; but most

fortunately she was deterred from approaching

nearer, by the pikes her being instantly put towards

her, although the numerous Frenchmen below were

than trying at every hatchway to gain the deck.

The Plantagenet was subsequently commanded by

Captain (afterwards Admiral) Ullion. Michael De

Courcy, under whom Mr. Croker completed his

time and service as midshipman, and in whose

own handwriting we find it slated on his leaving

the ship to pass the usual examination at Some set

lieuse, that he had "always conducted himself

with great activity, vigilance, and correctness;

showing him to be a ward for any enterprise, and

setting an admirable example to those around him."

In 1814 and 1815, Mr. Croker was successively

appointed to act as lieutenant of the Tápaté 36.

Captain W. T. Lake; Amsteldam, 32, Captain

William Ferris; and Contour, 74. Captain Murray

Maxwell; the latter ships employed in the West

Indus, to which station he had been sent out on

promotion, '

On the 29th July, 1805, the Centaur, 1, then com

manded by Captain Henry Whitby, and in company

with a squadron under Captain De Courcy, sent

from Jamaica to join Lord Nelson in his pursuit of

the combined (fleet of France and Spain, encountered

one of the tremendous hurricanes which commence

so suddenly, and increase to such dreadful violence

in those seas. Of the squadron, (the  
Centaur suffered

irio-t li oin its destitute rage, in  
consequence of her

having recently run on a shoal, in the West  
Indies

she was thrown on her beam ends ; her  
masts all

went, one after the other, like masts  
her boats

were cast stove and washed overboard ;  
her rudder

was carried away, and for sixteen hours,  
the chain

pumps could scarcely keep her from  
sinking, the

Wreck of the mainmast having caused a  
most alarm

leak, by starting a butt-end under the  
starboard

quarter. In order to save this mist, Lieut  
Croker

had excited himself to get the wreck of  
top-mast

cut away ; but he had not descended  
from the Main-

top above five minutes before it went by  
the board.

By the mercy of Providence, however,  
the fury of

the wind and waves at length abated, and  
thrummed

sail was got under the ship's bottom, as  
well as

hawsers to fasten her shrouds (rains  
together, and in

this style, with only about a dozen guns  
in armament,

she was safely towed to Halifax by the  
Eagle 74,

Captain David Coley.

Upon the above occasion, the crew of  
the Centaur

afforded a striking proof of their high  
state of dis-

cipline ; one man only was guilty of  
resorting to

liquor, still less to drown his apprehensions  
of ap-

proaching death, to gratify with  
impunity a strong

propensity to drunkenness. When  
prayers and

thanks were offered up to the  
Almighty for

their signal deliverance from the waves  
the officers,

seamen and marines, almost to a man,  
were dis-

solved to a man. But for this hurricane,  
it would

in all probability, have been amongst the  
foremost

in this battle of Traralgar.

On her approach to Halifax harbour, the  
Columbia

was supposed to be a French 74 captured  
by the

Eagle, and numerous yachts and boats  
were sent

coming out to welcome the captors of so  
noble a

mite, I'be first person who got on board  
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mayed ship wai Comrr.issi tier  
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miraculous escape from the wreck of the  
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much more

readily conceived than described. He had  
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man led by Captain (now Sir John)  
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frigate, Captain

(now Hear. Admiral) Moubray, hy  
commission

dated Ful), (jtil, 18 tí. The high opinion  
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of lum by that distinguished officer is  
shewn in a re-

cently written letter, ol ivliah we happen  
to have a

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lieutenant in tie

Active under my command, since I can  
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declare tiley were su li as did you infi  
lite credi .-\*

Your eagerness on all occasions lo be  
employed on

enterprises of danger, gave me the lughe-  
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tion ; and your gallant conduct, under  
my eye, in

leading the buardeis when the Turkish  
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trepid chaotic in action ,i

trust faithfully.

" I beg to,assure you that I shall be  
extremely

, (vntd) " JI. II. MOUBIAY."

g'ad to hear of your promotion to the  
next inosde

" To Commander Waller Croker, Lt.N."

gratified to hear of your promotion to the  
next inosde  
Sir, you s

(To be continued.)

## WO 42 Claims of Anne ROSE

I have the recitation from my intimacy & communion with the family of the therein named Anne CROKER now the widow of John ROSE mother of Captain Richard Croker ROSE late of His Magesties 89<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot who was killed on action in the Burmese War. In stating that the said Captain Richard Croker ROSE was baptised in the parish of St Mary in the city of Limerick in the month of October 1781 by the Rev Thomas SHEPPEARD Decd then curate of Sd Parish the Registry of which at that time was neglected that no entry of the baptism appears on the Registry & also that the widow Anne ROSE is in very distressed circumstances & that here deppendance for her support & that of her family was almost entirely dependent on her said son.

Given under my hand at Limerick this eleventh day of November 1825

Henry Ivers Ingram

Rector of Kilmurry Dio of Limerick

*Note Henry Ivers INGRAM was married to Mary TYRRELL a cousin of Anne ROSE.*

On search made in the Registry Office of the Diocese of Limerick I find the John ROSE of the city of Limerick Gentleman was on the twelfth day of August one thousand seven hundred & seventy nine married in the Cathedral Church of Saint Mary in Limerick to Anne CROKER of Fox Hall in the County of Tipperary Spinster, by Licence under the Consistorial Seal of Sd Diocese — Given under my hand & official Seal this eleventh day of November 1825

Bry McMahon Regr  
Limerick Adfert & Aghadoe

## Biography of Richard Aubin CROKER<sup>964</sup>

CROKER, Richard Aubin, Captain (1824–1856)—Grave at Peshawar, No. 969.—Entered H. M.'s Service on 13<sup>th</sup> February 1842 as an Ensign in the 57<sup>th</sup> Foot, which he joined at Fort St. George, Madras, in the course of the same year. On the 5<sup>th</sup> October 1844 he was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. In April 1845 he accompanied the right wing of the regiment to Arni, and in the following December he proceeded with it to Poonamallee. Early in April 1846, he went home with the regiment, and disembarking at Gravesend, he marched with it to Chatham at the end of September. On arrival in England he learnt that on the 3<sup>d</sup> April preceeding he had been transferred to the 24<sup>th</sup> Foot. He accordingly joined the depot of that regiment at Chatham, and served with them until the summer of the following year, when he embarked for Bengal. Landing at Calcutta in October 1847 he proceeded to the Upper Provinces and joined the 24<sup>th</sup> at Agra. In October 1848 he marched with the regiment to Ferozepore, at which place, in the following month, it was detailed to form part of the Army of the Punjab, and he thereafter served with it throughout the Punjab campaign of 1848–49, including the passage of the Chenab, the action of adulapur, and the battles of Chilianwala (in which he was severely wounded) and Gujerat (Medal and two clasps). On the 15<sup>th</sup> January 1849 he attained the rank of Captain. On the termination of the war he accompanied the regiment to Wazirabad, whence he proceeded with it to Sialkot at the end of 1852, and to Peshawar in November 1854. At this place he died on 19<sup>th</sup> July 1856.

Graves in the Jamud Road Cemetery, Peshawar

696 – 19 July 1856

To the memory of Capt Richard Aubin CROKER H. M. 4<sup>th</sup> Regt Who died at Peshawar on 19<sup>th</sup> July 1856 aged 32 years.

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<sup>964</sup> George William De Rhe-Philips and Miles Irving; *Soldiers of the Raj*, Lahore 1910 (reprinted London 1989)

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