

## **Limerick and Clare Officers of the Bengal Army 1758-1834.**

The following list was compiled in July 2015 by Brian Hodkinson, as a by-product of his own researches. It is abstracted from Major V.C.P. Hodson's, *List of the Officers of the Bengal Army, 1758-1834* which itself is based on a much earlier list by Dodwell and Miles. Hodson's work, in four volumes published between 1926 and 1947, gives the full service record (where known) of individuals who joined the service up to 1834. Each entry comprises, where known, of date and place of birth, father and mother's name, date and place of death, date(s) of marriage(s), promotions, regiment and changes thereof, and a list of active service, with medals won.

This list is intended as a search aid and the reader will have to consult the work to get full information. While giving (I hope) all Co. Limerick and Co. Clare references, there is a strong possibility that other Limerick and Clare people are in the list. In some cases place of birth is given just as Ireland, while the origin of those who joined within India is often not given. I have included individuals whose father married into Limerick/Clare families and who themselves married into such families.

N.I. = Native Infantry.

**Archdeacon, Captain John**, (d. 1792) 14<sup>th</sup> Bn. Sepoys. Brother of James, of Limerick and son of Edmund of Keldrummin, Co. Limerick. Died at the storming of Seringapatam.

**Brind, General Sir James**, (1808-1888) Artillery. M. 1) Jane/Joanna Waller, dau. of Conway Waller, 2) Mary Georgina Carter, dau. of Benjamin 3) Georgina dau. of Rev. Henry George Philips, 4) Jane, dau. of Rev. Daniel Henry Maunsell, 5) Eleanor Elizabeth Lumley, dau. of the Rev. Henry Thomas Burne. Ref. under name to Maunsell of Ballywilliam. Co. Limerick in *Burke's Landed Gentry of Ireland*.

**Brockman, Lt. George**, (1811-?) 24<sup>th</sup> N.I. mother, Harriet, dau. of Rev. Thomas Locke of Newcastle Co. Limerick. Became a settler in W. Australia

**Carleton, Lt. Charles William**, (1789-1834) 1<sup>st</sup> N.I. 3<sup>rd</sup> son of Rev. Peter Carleton, Dean of Killaloe, and Mary Griffin, his wife.

**Carleton, Major Frederick Augustus**, (1808-1860). 36<sup>th</sup> N.I. 5<sup>th</sup> son of Rev. Peter Carleton, Dean of Killaloe, and Mary Griffin, his wife. Died unmarried.

**Carleton, Major Henry Peter**, (1814-1900) Bengal European Regt. 2<sup>nd</sup> son of Rev. Peter Carleton, Dean of Killaloe, and Mary Griffin, his wife. Married Eliza Cossart.

**Carleton, Capt. William Cossart**, (1803-1841) 36<sup>th</sup> N.I. 4<sup>th</sup> son of Rev. Peter Carleton, Dean of Killaloe, and Mary Griffin, his wife. Married Catherine Louisa Tritton.

**Carte, Lt. Edward**, (1803-1870) 63<sup>rd</sup> N.I. Born Newcastle Co. Limerick, son of Edward. Subsequently vicar of Gentleshaw, Staffs.

**Cowley, Major Constantine William**, (1793-1848), Invalid Est. 35<sup>th</sup> N.I. Born Dysart, Co. Clare, Son of William, m. Catherine, dau. of Lt. Col. J.F. Meiselback. 1<sup>st</sup> Afghan War, Ghazni, invalided 1841.

**Craigie, Patrick Bt. Major**, (1799-1843) 38<sup>th</sup> N.I. Married Eliza (nee Oliver), mother of Lola Montez and widow of Ensign Edward Gilbert of Limerick H.M. 44<sup>th</sup>. 1<sup>st</sup> Afghan war, Ghazni.

**Cuninghame, Major George**, (1783-1838). 7<sup>th</sup> N.I. Married to Ann Helen, dau. of Sir Joseph O'Halloran (see below).

**Daniell, Lt. Col. James Townsend**, (1811-1887). 7<sup>th</sup> N.I. M. Kate, dau. of Matthew O'Brien, of Newcastlewest.

**Davoren, Lt. Michael Constance**, (d. 1798). Infantry. Joined in India. Possibly son of Rev. Michael Davoren, incumbent of Noughaval and Carrane, Co. Clare.

**D'Esterre, Capt. Henry Martin**. (d. 1801). 17<sup>th</sup> N.I. Son of Norcott D'Esterre of Killura and Castle Henry Co. Clare & Limerick. M. Elizabeth Grace Charlotte, widow of – Bateman.

**D'Esterre, Lt. Norcott Neville**, (1763/3-1781). Infantry. Son of Norcott D'Esterre of Killura and Castle Henry Co. Clare & Limerick.

**Downes, Capt. Dennis**, (1804-1844) 30<sup>th</sup> N.I. Born Atterbury, Kilfinaghty, Co. Clare. Son of John, surveyor of excise.

**Dwyer, Lt. Anthony**, (1785-?) 4<sup>th</sup> N.I. Born Limerick, son of John and Anne Dwyer of Dublin. Resigned service 1806.

**Eagle, Bt. Major George**, (1764-1811) 3<sup>rd</sup> N.I., Son of Dr. Eagle of Limerick, brother of Ann, Henry, Edward, and Eyre Massey Eagle. M. Ann who died at Serampore 19<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1824 aged 45.

**Evans, Capt. John**, (1802-1886) 15<sup>th</sup> I.I. Born Stradbally, Co. Limerick son of George. M. Jane Baily, dau. of John, vicar of Hennock, Devon. D. Cintra House Anerley, London.

**Fitzgerald, Lt. Col. Sir Augustine**, (1809-1893). Artillery. Born Exeter, 4<sup>th</sup> Baronet of Newmarket on Fergus. Co. Clare (1809-93). M. 1) in Agra, Eliza Margaret, dau. of William Gore, obit 1877, 2) Clara Emma, dau. of James Whitaker, of Huddersfield. Died at Carrigoran, buried at Kilnasoolagh Co. Clare..

**Fleming, Lt. Browne Jackson**, (1801-26) 11<sup>th</sup> N.I. Born Limerick, son of Browne Fleming of the Isle of Man.

**Graves, Major Gen. Harry Meggs**, (1803-61). Born Ballingarry, Co. Limerick, son of Rev. John Graves, rector of Ballingarry. Married 1) Louisa Seton Larkins, dau. of John Pascal L. 2) Katherine, dau. of William High Dobbie RN. 1<sup>st</sup> Afghan War, severely wounded at Ghazni.

**Heard, Capt. Edward**, (d. 1810). Infantry. Son of Bickford Heard of Ballintubber and Susan, dau. of John Maunsell of Limerick.

**Hickman, Major George William Jones**, (1797-1871). 70<sup>th</sup> N.I. Born Cawnpore son of Gregory (see below), brother of J.P (see below) M. Miss Mary Anne Judah.

**Hickman, Lt. Col. Gregory** (d. 1828). Invalid Establishment. Probably son of Hugh Hickman of Fenloe, Co. Clare. M. Gertrude Henrietta Vanas, father of George (above) & John (below).

**Hickman, Capt. John Palliser**, (1794-1853) Invalid Establishment, 69<sup>th</sup> N.I.

**Hickman, Capt. Thomas** (d. 1894) 3<sup>rd</sup> N.I. Joined in India. 3<sup>rd</sup> son of Hugh Hickman of Fenloe, Co. Clare. M. Jane, dau. of Thomas Cosby. Probably brother of Gregory.

**Hickman, Capt. Thomas**, (1801-1838). Artillery. Son of Gregory (above).

**Hunter, Lt. Samuel Orby**, (1799-1825). 9<sup>th</sup> Light Cavalry. Baptised Limerick, son of Samuel Hunter of Catherine Street, Limerick.

**Lloyd, Ensign Henry Vereker**, (1793-1870). 4<sup>th</sup> Native cavalry. Born St. Michael's Limerick, son of Frederick of Ballymacrease (of Cranna) and his wife Julia, dau. of Thomas Vereker, of Roxborough Co. limerick. M. Elizabeth Jane Jopp. Resigned 1812. Died in Cork.

**Long, Capt. Stephen**, (1776-?). Bengal European Regt. Born Waterford, son of Peter Long and Anne, eldest dau. of Stephen Roche of Limerick.

**Long, Capt. Thomas**, (1752/3 -1819) Invalid Est. Infantry. Son of Phoebe Long of Limerick.

**Lysaght, Bat. Major Thomas Vallency**, (1804-1849). Bengal European Fusiliers. Married (2<sup>nd</sup> wife) to Maria Nugent, dau. of Sir Joseph O'Halloran.

**McMahon, Ensign Henry**, (1812-36). 1<sup>st</sup> N.I. Born Limerick, son of Mathew, of Dublin, and Frances, dau. of John Tierney, of Ballyscandlend, Co. Limerick, brother of Thomas. (below)

**McMahon, Ensign Thomas**, (1809-94). 41<sup>st</sup> N.I., Pensioner Lord Clive's Fund. Born St. Michael's Limerick, son of Mathew, of Dublin, and Frances, dau. of John Tierney, of Ballyscandlend, Co. Limerick, brother of Henry (above).

**Maunsell, Lt. John**, (1788-1812). 23<sup>rd</sup> N.I. Born Dublin, son of Daniel Maunsell of Ballywilliam, Co. Limerick, and Sarah, dau. of George Meares. Killed by bandits.

**Meade, Ensign John Fulton**, (1808-1820). No regt. Son of Christopher Henry Barry Meade, Lieut 64<sup>th</sup> Regt., of Limerick and Ann dau. of Joseph Fulton.

**Monsell, Fireworker Richard**, (1774-1799). Artillery. Baptised St. Mary's, Limerick, son of Ven. Archdeacon Monsell.

**O'Brien, Bt. Col. Charles**, (1807-1857). 3<sup>rd</sup> N.I. Baptised Drumcliff, Co. Clare; Son of Mathew O'Brien, M.D. and Eliza Ellen McMahon. M. Eliza Young, dau. of Gavin. Committed suicide.

**Odell, Major John Cornwall**, (1784-1833). 41<sup>st</sup> N.I. Born Ballingarry, Co. Limerick, Son of Rev. William Butler Odell of Limerick, Brother of Constance and of Major Robert Deane

Odell 25<sup>th</sup> Madras N.I., brother in law of David Fitzgerald of Limerick. D. Cork, on sick leave/furlough.

**O'Donnell, Lt. Edmund Sexton Pery**, (1762/3-1785). Infantry. Son of John O'Donnell of Limerick, Trough, Mt. O'Donnell and Ing Co. Clare, and Deborah, dau. of William Anderson of Garrincanty, Co. Tipperary. Brother of Henry (below). Killed by dacoits.

**O'Donnell, Lt. Col. Henry Anderson**, (1762/3-1785). Infantry. Son of John O'Donnell of Limerick, Trough, Mt O'Donnell and Ing Co. Clare, and Deborah, dau. of William Anderson of Garrincanty, Co. Tipperary. Brother of Edmund (above). M. 1) Dominajam a Persian princess 2) Maria, widow of John Brownrigg.

**O'Halloran, Lt. John Nicholas**, (1810-1886). 19<sup>th</sup> N.I. Born in India, son of Sir Joseph. Retired June 1835.

**O'Halloran, Major General Sir Joseph**, (1763-1843). 30<sup>th</sup> N.I. Born in Limerick, 3<sup>rd</sup> son of Sylvester O'Halloran, M.D., and Mary O'Casey. M. Frances, dau. of Col Nicholas Bayly. Father of John, above, and Anne Helen, Maria Nugent and Jane Baillie all of who married Bengal soldiers.

**Ouseley, Col. Joseph Walker Jasper**, (1800-1889). 40<sup>th</sup> N.I. Baptised Limerick, 3<sup>rd</sup> son of Major Ralph Ouseley and his 2<sup>nd</sup> wife Mary, nee Collins. M. Elizabeth, dau. of Rev. William Palmer, Bengal chaplain.

**Pepper, Lt. Col. Hampden Nicholson**, (1801-1855) Artillery. Born Ballymackey Co. Tipp. Drowned with fiancée at Kilkee. Co. Clare.

**Powell, Capt. Caleb**, (1739-1797). Infantry. Of Clonshavoy, Limerick, Collector of Port of Limerick. Youngest son of Robert Powell of Newgarden. M. 1) Frances dau. of John Bowen of Frankville, Co. Westmeath, 2) Sarah, dau. of Thomas Westropp of Ballystreen, Co. Limerick, ADC to Cols. Clive and Ford. Resigned onto half pay 1759. Father of Stratford (below).

**Powell, Lt. Stratford**, (1761-1793). 36<sup>th</sup> Bn. Sepoys. Son of Caleb. Died unmarried in the insane hospital, Calcutta.

**Quin, Bt. Lt. Col. Thomas**, (1805-1857). 4<sup>th</sup> Light Cavalry. Son of Rev. Thomas Quin of Dublin and Ellen, dau. of William Wilson, of Caherconlish, Co. Limerick. M. at Nasirabad, Henrietta Wynetta, dau. of Capt. Richard Phillips, Madras European Regt.

**Ryan, Lt. Col. Charles**, (1782-1850). 2/12<sup>th</sup> N.I. Baptised St. Mary's Limerick, son of George. Retired 1826. 1806, court martialled for murder, in a duel at Cawnpore, of Lt. John Corry. Verdict of manslaughter, sentenced to Rs100 fine and 6 months in prison.

**Scott, Lt. Thomas**, (1783-1872). 6<sup>th</sup> N.I. Son of James Scott of Co. Derry and Catherine Elizabeth, dau. of James Leslie, D.D. Bishop of Limerick.

**Sherer, Major Gen. Sir George Moyle**, (1800-1870). 26<sup>th</sup>. N.I. Married to Jane Baillie, dau. of Sir Joseph O'Halloran (see above).

**Shulldham, Lt. Col. Arthur**, (1786-1835). 31<sup>st</sup> N.I. Born York, son of Arthur Lemuel Shulldham, of Dunmanway Co. Cork and Pallas Green Co. Limerick. M. 1) Eliza Sibley, 2) Charlotte, dau. of Innis Delamain.

**Smith, Major Gen. John Nicholas**, (1758-1842). Born Ireland, m. Kilmurry, Limerick 1817, Miss Ellen Theresa Dodd, of Richmond Place. Died at Cheltenham.

**Spelissy, Capt. George**, (1785-1828). Baptised Drumcliff, Co. Clare, ?son of John, M.D?

**Stuart, Major Gen. Charles**, (1757/8-1828) 65<sup>th</sup> N.I. Born Dublin, reputed son of Thomas Smyth of Dublin, brother of Thomas Stuart of Limerick.

**Tierney, Lt. Col. Edward Thomas**, (1808-1872). 28<sup>th</sup> N.I. Born, Rathkeale, Co. Limerick, son of Thomas, paymaster of H.M. 43<sup>rd</sup> L.I. and Elizabeth, relict of John Fitzgerald of Rathkeale. Brother of John (below).

**Tierney, Lt. John** (1806-1829) 40<sup>th</sup> N.I. Born, Rathkeale, Co. Limerick, son of Thomas, paymaster of H.H. 43<sup>rd</sup> L.I. and Elizabeth, relict of John Fitzgerald of Rathkeale. Brother of Edward (above). Died unmarried, of cholera.

**Turton, Lt. Col. Robert**, (1780-1817). Artillery. Son of Francis, attorney, of Limerick, and Frances Anne. M. Frances, dau. of Edward Rowland Jackson "Recruited in Ireland as a gentleman volunteer".

**Waller, Col. Robert**, (1808-1877). Artillery. Born Dublin, 3<sup>rd</sup> son of George, of Prior Park, Co. Tipperary and 2<sup>nd</sup> wife, Elizabeth, dau. of George Studdert, of Kilkishen Co. Clare. M. Anne Caroline, dau. of Charles Griffiths. 1<sup>st</sup> Afghan War, he and his wife were taken prisoner by Mohamed Akbar. Their daughter Frances Tazeena was born in captivity and gets her name from a valley in Afghanistan.

**Wheeler, Major Gen. Sir Hugh Massy**, (1789-1857). 48<sup>th</sup> N.I. Born Clonbeg, Co. Tipperary, son of Capt, Hugh and his wife Margaret, 2<sup>nd</sup> dau of Hugh 1<sup>st</sup> Lord Massy (Clarina Co. Limerick). M. Frances Matilda, widow of Thomas Samuel Oliver. He was commander at Cawnpore during the Mutiny, and was killed there with his wife. 1<sup>st</sup> Afghan War.

**Widenham, Capt. John**, (1737-1767). Infantry. Born Limerick.

**Woodward, Capt. Henry**. Infantry. No birth or death dated in India 1764-5 suggested he is Henry Woodward of Kilmackanlow, Co. Limerick whose will was proved in Dublin 1797.