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                                                Blennerhassett of BALLYCARTY & BALLYSEEDY, Co.Kerry
R 01
 >>> Capt. Arthur >>> >>> Edward >>>>>>> >>> |>> Rice Blennerhassett of Riddlestown; d.1734 (not 1736); Will pr.1734
                                                     High Sheriff Limerick 1723; Deputy Governor of Limerick City
      Blennerhassett
                            Blennerhassett
alias Blenner Hassett)
                            of Limerick;
(p.BL 4); d.1696;
                            d.c1728 (c1718?)
                                                     m. Mary Buckworth of Cashel, Co. Tipperary (dsp)
(Will dated 23.6.1696,
                            (Will pr.1728)
pr.16.7.1696)
                                                  |>> Rebecca >>>>>> issue
                                                     Blennerhassett
                            Elizabeth Windall
of Ballycarty Castle.
                                                     m.c25.2.1701
Co.Kerry (in 1641)
                            of Riddlestown.
& Loughgur, Bruff
                            Dundonnell,
                                                     William Bowen; of Dooneen (Donee);
 Co.Limerick:
                            Rathkeale
                                                    his 2nd marriage, he had m. 1st <???> Power (?)
also gained Ballynard
                            Co.Limerick
 (aka Ballyagannagh
                                                  |>> Elizabeth >>>>>> |>> issue
 or Ballinaganagh).
                                                     Blennerhassett
 nr Herbertstown,
 Co.Limerick,
                                                     m. <???> Crofts
 through his wife
                            Elizabeth Windall inherited Riddlestown, Co.Limerick from her mother who was heir to to the
                            family of RICE of Riddlestown, she bringing Riddlestown Park to the Blennerhassett family
 Capt, in the army:
 In 1641 he was taken
prisoner by Irish
 rebels; In 1642 he
                        |>> Robert >>>>>>> >|>> Justice Arthur Blennerhassett K.C. (alias "...the Hon. Mr Justice Hassett...");
                                                                                                                                                            JUDGE ARTHUR BLENNERHASSETT
 made a deposition
                                                     b.1687/8 Clonmel, Co. Tipperary; edu. TCD (Pensioner 15.5.1704, BA 1708, LL.D 1734);
 against rebels who
                                                     of Riddlestown Park, Rathkeale, Co.Limerick (which house he built c1730) and of Dawson Street, Dublin
                            Dublin & of
 took part in the seige
                            Clonmel, Tipperary
 of Tralee Castle 1641
                                                     Counsel-at-law 1732; His Majesty's Prime Serjeant at Law 1742-43; MP Tralee in the parliament of 1727-43, then very briefly in the parliament of 1743-60;
                            b.c1652 Loughgur,
                                                     In 1743 became a "...Justice of the King's Bench (Ireland)..." or "...one of the Puisne Judges of His Majesty's Court of King's Bench...", taking the place of Henry Rose, deceased;
One of the "Forty-
                            Co.Limerick; d.1713
                                                     to take this appointment he resigned as MP, being succeeded as MP 1743 by Hon. Thomas Southwell, who was quickly unseated (on petition) by Arthur Blennerhassett of Ballyseedy (1719-1799) (p.B 1)
Nine Officers"
                            Will dated
                                                     One of his cases was published at Dublin, printed by S. Powell 1745, as "The trial of Mrs. MARY HEATH, a WITNESS examined on a trial in the
 ("The '49 Lots")
                            20.1.1712/13.
                                                     Court of Exchequer in Michaelmas Term, 1743... for PERJURY. At the Bar of the Court of KING'S BENCH on Friday the 8th Day of February, 1744."
who served King
                            pr.25.5.1713 [PCA]
Charles I in Ireland
                                                     In 1751 he was a subscriber to "A New History of England, from the time that the Phoenicians first landed in this island, to the end of the reign of King George I;
                            [WELPLY p.594]
in 1649: These
                                                     Taken from the best authors and manuscripts" (6 volumes) by William Blennerhassett of Flimby, 1751 (p.C 8)
officers were later
                            edu. TCD
given 1st priority
                            (Pensioner 1667)
                                                     d.3.1.1758 (dsp) at Dawson Street, Dublin ["Faulkner's Dublin Journal" Tues.3.1.1758-Sat.7.1.1758]; [MO] has d.6.1.1758
in land distribution
                                                     Succeeded at Riddlestown Park by his uncle Gerrard (Gerald) Blennerhassett; Riddlestown remained the principal seat of the Blennerhassett family in Co.Limerick
(acts of 1661-65?):
                            Recorder of Cashel
                            1680, confirmed by
                                                     until inherited by (Desmond) Fitzjohn Lloyd FitzGerald, 27th Knight of Glin and sold by him out of the family c1904 (R 07);
also among the
Forty-Nine Officers
                            James II in 1687 &
                                                     The grand old house at Riddlestown Park, empty 40+ years, is in 2008 derelict, holes in the roof, windows broken, the fine marble fireplaces stolen;
were another Arthur
                            reappointed 1690;
                                                     A description & photograph of the house as it once was is in TA pp.11-12; The Riddlestown silver service (Queen Anne c1700, pre-dating the house) was sold c1904;
Blennerhassett & a
                            Burgess of Cashel
                                                     In the library of Glin Castle, to the right of the chimney piece, is fine portrait in oil of Justice Arthur Blennerhassett, attributed to James Latham (1696-1747);
                                                     this hung at Riddlestown Park until c1904 (some sources, have this attributed in error to Philip Hussey, 1713-1783 - there is a portrait by Hussey at Glin, but not of Arthur BH);
Phillip BH (p.IRE 11)
                            1687:
who are these?
                            [BIFR p.136]
                                                     A fine brass sundial (made for Judge Blennerhassett in 1756 by Charles Harrison of Limerick, instrument & clock maker) mounted on a baluster shaped pedistal
                            in error has both
                                                     of Kilkenny limestone, was moved from the grounds of Riddlestown Park in 1904, when Riddlestown was sold, to the garden of Glin Castle, Co.Limerick
Collector of poll tax
                            "of Clonmel"
Co.Limerick 1661
                                                     m.1st Mary Pope of Derryknockane, Co.Limerick
m. Mary FitzGerald
                                                     m.2nd 2.7.1743 at St.Peter & St.Kevin, Dublin to Mary Rice, widow of Col. (Lt-Col.) William Degge
b.c1625/30 d.1695
                                                     "...the agreeable Mrs Blennerhassett..." ["Faulkner's Dublin Journal" 25.6.1765-29.6.1765]
Will date 15.3.1693/4
                                                     She m.2nd 25.6.1765 (not 29.6.1765) at Dingle, Co.Kerry; to Dominick Trant KC, of Dunkettle, Co.Cork & Merrion Street, Dublin
pr.14.6.1695;
of Ballynard
                            MP for Borough of Clonmel 1692 & 1695; MP Limerick 1703;
(Ballyagannagh,
                            2nd Justice; Master of the Rolls of Ireland;
Ballinaganagh),
                            Seneschal of the Liberties of the County Palatine of Tipperary" from 1705;
nr Herbertstown,
                            Prothonotary of the Liberties and Regalities of Tipperary;
& Emly, Co.Limerick:
                            "His Maiesty's Prime Serieant-at-Law" 1711-13
buried Ballynard
                            Had a lease on the lands of Gorbally & Ballyvoreen, & of Lissavarne, Limerick
eldest dau, of Ven.
                            ["Extracts from the Minutes of the Corporation of Fethard, Co.Tipperary" (paper in IGRS journal "The Irish Genealogist" vol.4 1968-73, p.308)]
Garrett (Gerard)
FitzGerald,
                            NOTE: The burial resister of St.John the Evangelist, Dublin, is said to record a Robert Blennerhassett,
Archdeacon of
                            MP Clonmel, buried in 1705 or 1765; This is either a date error for 1713, or someone else;
Emly 1617-38
                            m.bef.1687 Alice Osborne of Ticmor, Co.Waterford;
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                            widow of Thomas Warter of Cullen, Co.Limerick
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BLENNERHASSETT family of RIDDLESTOWN PARK and ROCKFIELD in Co.LIMERICK

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>> Rose Nash; b.c1889 Co.Kilkenny

R 02

m.30.6.1729 at St.Bride, Dublin;

Eugene O'Lavery (Lavery) d.1733; Attorney-at-law; of Moira, Co.Down

(son of Elizabeth Blennerhassett of Littur & Capt. Arthur O'Lavery; p.C 07)

edited "First Fruits of an Early Gathered Harvest" (1854); author of "Casuistry and Concience" two discourses (Dublin 1854);

"Gleanings After Grand Tourists" (pub. anon. 1856); "Tralee & its Provost, Sixty Years On" (pamphlet 1860)

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                                                                                                                                  "Brief Memorials of the Case and Conduct of Trinity College Dublin A.D. 1686-1690, compiled from the College Records" (Dublin 1858);
                                                                                                                                  "Life of the Blessed Franco, extracted and englished from a verie anciente Chronicle" (London 1858);
                                                                                                                                  "The Old Countess of Desmonde, her identitie, her portraiture, her descente.." etc (Dublin 1860), replied to by Sainthill;
                                                                                                                                  another item <title? date?> in [MGH NS: vol 3, p.116];
                                                                                                                                  publisher and editor of "The Kerry Magazine", the first Co.Kerry antiquarian journal, 1854-1856
                                                                                                                                  Contributed to Notes and Queries"; contributed to "The Gentleman's Magazine" [GM] as follows:
                                                                                                                                  2nd Series: "Etymology of Smerwick, Co.Kerry" vol.18 pt 2, Oct.1842 p.351-2; "Sir Isaac Newton" vol.18 pt 2, Nov.1842 p.491-2;
                                                                                                                                  "Family of Roper, Baron of Bantry, & Visc. Baltinglass" vol.19 pt 1, Jan. 1843 p.2;
                                                                                                                                  "Historic Doubts respecting the Massacre at Fort del Ore" June 1849; "Autograph Letter of Queen Elizabeth" vol.32 pt 2, Jul 1849 p.31;
                                                                                                                                  "Coningsby Family" vol.33 pt 1, Jan.1850 & p.2 Apr.1850 p.346; "Descent of Rev. Thomas Fuller & Mary Roper"
                                                                                                                                  vol.34 pt 2, Oct.1850 p.346; Letter to "Notes & Queries" Series 2, vol.2, 23.8.1856 pp.154-155 (re: Queen Anne's foster-father)
                                                                                                                                  at his death in 1861 he left unfinished a "History of the Earl of Strafford" and a "History of Kerry" - where are these Ms. now?
                                                                                                                                  NOTE: c1858 (or 1855) he transcribed original c1736 MS of "Black Jack's Book" by Capt. John "Black Jack" Blennerhassett
                                                                                                                                  (d.c1738) of Castle Conway (p.K 01), a pedigree of Blennerhassett & related families c1580-1736; This MS he borrowed from
                                                                                                                                  John Hurly of Fenit House, Tralee (p.K 34); a brief letter of 25.6.1858 from him to Sir Bernard Burke, Ulster King of Arms,
                                                                                                                                  discussing this loan is now in a genealogical scrapbook in the library of the IGRS, London; Black Jack's Book was also transcribed
                                                                                                                                  in [BJB/OKR] by Mary Agnes Hickson (p.K 06), another prominent Kerry local historian; The location of the 1858 Rowan Ms is
                                                                                                                                  unknown to me, but a photocopy is at [NLI Ms.5629], listed in ["Hayes Manuscript Sources for the History of Irish Civilisation"]
                                                                                                                                  d.12.8.1861 Belmont, Tralee; bur. in his family vault at Ballyseedy old churchyard (where is this vault?);
                                                                                                                                  A marble memorial plaque & four brass chandeliers were erected to his memory at St.John (C.o.I.) Ashe Street, Tralee
                                                                                                                                  Obituaries pub. in [KEP 14.8.1861]; [PRIA series 1, vol.8, 1861-4, p.91]; [GM Third Series vol.11 part 2 Nov.1861 p.565-6];
                                                                                                                                  ["Memorial Pages to Archdeacon Rowan" Dublin 1862]; he has an entry "by D.J. O'D" in [DNB 1885-1900, vol.49]
                                                                                                                                  m.16.11.1825 (not 1821) Tralee;
                                                                                                                                  Alicia "Alice" (not Mira) Thompson
                                                                                                                                 b.c1800: of Tralee; d.1876 Tralee;
                                                                                                                                  dau. of Anne Blennerhassett of Annadale House & Peter Thompson (p.K 45)
                                                                                                                              |>> Arabella Margaret >>>: >|>> Charles Fairfield >>>>: >|>> Letitia Fairfield
                                                                                                                                  Blennerhassett Rowan
                                                                                                                                                             b.c1841 Co.Kerry
                                                                                                                                 b.13.2.1806 Tralee:
                                                                                                                                                                                      >> Winifred Fairfield
                                                                                                                                  bapt.23.2.1806 Tralee;
                                                                                                                                                             Journalist; gunnery
                                                                                                                                 ioined the
                                                                                                                                                             instructor with 2nd
                                                                                                                                                                                      |>> Cicily Isabel Fairfield >>|>> Anthony West b.1919 d.1987;
                                                                                                                                  Plymouth Brethren
                                                                                                                                                             Rifle Brigade, "Prince
                                                                                                                                                                                         "Dame Rebecca West"
                                                                                                                                                                                                                     author & critic; wrote a biography of his father,
                                                                                                                                                             Consort's Own",
                                                                                                                                                                                                                     "H.G.Wells: Aspects of a Life" 1984
                                                                                                                                  m.1833 Maj. Charles
                                                                                                                                                             serving in Canada;
                                                                                                                                                                                         b.1892 Kerry d.15.3.1983
                                                                                                                                  Geo. Fairfield of Kerry;
                                                                                                                                                             received his
                                                                                                                                                                                         of Buckinghamshire
                                                                                                                                  said to be illegitimate
                                                                                                                                                                                         & London: D.B.E.
                                                                                                                                                                                                                     Dame REBECCA WEST
                                                                                                                                                             commission from
                                                                                                                                  son of a Royal Duke;
                                                                                                                                                             Queen Victoria in
                                                                                                                                  a gambler, he lost two
                                                                                                                                                             a private audience
                                                                                                                                                                                         outstanding journalist, novelist & critic (under her pen name "Rebecca West");
                                                                                                                                  small inherited
                                                                                                                                                                                         joined the staff of feminist paper "Freewoman" in 1911;
                                                                                                                                  fortunes; d.1853
                                                                                                                                                             witnessed U.S. civil
                                                                                                                                                                                         reported on Nuremberg War Crimes Trials 1945-46;
                                                                                                                                                             war battles and was
                                                                                                                                                                                         author of numerous works:
                                                                                                                                  (he previously
                                                                                                                                                             once pressed into
                                                                                                                                  m. Frances Crosbie
                                                                                                                                                             service as a stretcher
                                                                                                                                                                                         friend of Violet Hunt, Ford Madox Ford, Wyndham Lewis, George Bernard Shaw,
                                                                                                                                  b.bef.1803 d bef.1833,
                                                                                                                                                             bearer; he ran a saw
                                                                                                                                                                                         Charlie Chaplin & Max Beverbrook (proprietor of "Daily Express" newspaper);
                                                                                                                                  dau. of William Arthur
                                                                                                                                                             mill in Virginia & a
                                                                                                                                                                                         see ["Rebecca West: a Saga of the Century" by Carl Rollyson 1995] etc
                                                                                                                                  Crosbie, MP for Trim)
                                                                                                                                                             mine in Colorado
                                                                                                                                                                                         p.1st 1913-1923 Herbert George "H.G." Wells
                                                                                                                                                             m. Isabella Mackenzie
                                                                                                                                                                                         historian, novelist & science fiction writer
                                                                                                                                                             (they met on board
                                                                                                                                                                                         NOTE: In his 1909 novel "Tono Bungay", H.G. Wells introduces a character
                                                                                                                                                             a ship to Australia);
                                                                                                                                                                                         who "...had been maid to the widow of Sir Roderick Blenderhasset Impey,
                                                                                                                                                             pianist
                                                                            |>> Mary Rowan >>>>> >|>> Frederick Mullins
                                                                                                                                                                                         some sort of governor or such-like portent in the East Indies..."
                                                                                                        of Burnham House
                                                                                                                                                           >> Digby Fairfield;
                                                                                                                                                                                         Sir Roderick perhaps based on Sir Arthur Blennerhassett Voules (1870-1954),
                                                                               m.10.6.1716
                                                                                                        (p.K 19, p.C 04)
                                                                                                                                                             served in tha army;
                                                                                                                                                                                         senior British civil servant in Malaya and Resident Councillor at Penang,
                                                                               William Mullins
                                                                                                                                                             d. aged 25 while
                                                                                                                                                                                         whose family had extensive interests in the rubber industry
                                                                              b.1691 d.3.5.1761
                                                                                                        m. Jane Collis.
                                                                                                                                                             on leave from India
                                                                              of Ballingolin (later
                                                                                                        living 1733;
                                                                                                                                                                                         m.2nd 1930 Henry Max Andrews
                                                                               renamed Burnham)
                                                                                                        dau, of Avice
                                                                                                                                                           >> Arthur Fairfield:
                                                                               Dingle, Co.Kerry;
                                                                                                        Blennerhassett
                                                                                                                              |>> Ellen Rowan b.c1818
                                                                                                                                                             Civil Servant with
                                                                               son of Martha
                                                                                                        & Rev. Thos Collis
                                                                                                                                 d.Jun-Mar.1878 Tralee
                                                                                                                                                             the Board of Trade
                                                                               Blennerhassett of
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                                                                              Littur &
                                                                                                                                                          >> Edward Fairfield;
                                                                              Frederick Mullins
                                                                                                                                                             Civil Servant
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R 05
                                                                                                  |>> Thomas Mullins >>> >|>> issue (p.K 17)
                                                                                                    (later 1st Lord Ventry)
                                                                                                    b.25.10.1736 d.11.1.1824; of Burnham House, Burnham, Dingle;
                                                                                                    c1795 he purchased Conway Castle estate from Harman Blennerhassett (p.K 04),
                                                                                                    at time of Harman's marriage to his niece Margaret Agnew, before the couple emig. to USA
                                                                                                    m.5.10.1755; [BP] has m.1757 in error;
                                                                                                    Elizabeth Margaret Gun of Ratoo, Lixnaw, Kerry
                                                                                                    b.14.9.1736 d.16.1.1823 (dau. of Elizabeth Blennerhassett & Townsend Gun - p.K 17)
                                                                                                  |>: Mary Mullins >>>>>|>> Louisa Goddard >>>>> |>> issue (p.K 11)
                                                                                                                            fl.1785
                                                                                                     m.3.4.1740 Dingle;
                                                                                                                             m.2.2.1765
                                                                                                    Ensign/Capt.
                                                                                                                            Rev. John Blennerhassett
                                                                                                    Thomas Goddard,
                                                                                                    Earl of Rothe's Regt.
                                                                                                                            "Parson Jack"
                                                                                                    d.1757 Dublin; bur. St. b.bef.1733 d.28.3.1804
                                                                                                    Anne's; Will pr.2.5.1757 Rector of Tralee
                                                                                                                            (p.BL 02, p.K 11)
                                                                                                  >> Martha Mullins
                                                                                                  |>> <son> Mullins
                                                                                                  |>> <son> Mullins
                                                                                                  |>> <son> Mullins
                                                                                                  |>> <dau.> Mullins
                                                                                                  |>> <dau.> Mullins
                                                                         |>> Sarah Rowan >>>>> >|>> George Cashell b.bef.1733
                                                                            of Droumbegg,
                                                                           Co.Kerry; b.c1702
                                                                                                 >> Mary Cashell b.bef.1733
                                                                           m.1st
                                                                                                  >> Frances Cashell b.bef.1733
                                                                            William Shiercliffe.
                                                                           of Loughbegg or of
                                                                                                 |>> Ruth Cashell b.bef.1733
                                                                           Castle Gregory (dsp)
                                                                                                 |>> Francis Cashell >>>: >|>> George Cashell
                                                                            m.2nd George
                                                                                                    b.post 1733
                                                                                                                            b.c1765; of Tralee
                                                                           (Francis?) Cashell
                                                                                                    (perhaps b.c1735)
                                                                           of Shally,
                                                                           Co.Tipperary
                                                                          >> Margaret "Margaree" Rowan
                                                                            m. Roger Crimble of Dunaghadee, Co.Down (dsp)
                                                                         >> Ruth Rowan
                                                                           m. Charles Chambers of Letterkenny, Co.Donegal (dsp)
                                                                         |>> Katherine Rowan >> >|>> issue
                                                                           m. Pierce Chute; of Brenane (O'Brenane)
                                                                         >> Jane Rowan
                                                                         >> Elizabeth Rowan
                                                 |>> Jane Blennerhassett : >|>> Mary Hall
                                                   d.1725
                                                   m. Richard Hall
                                                                         >> Joanna Hall
                                                   of Ballyconnigan,
                                                   Co.Cork
                                                                         |>> John Hall b.9.1.1725
                                                |>> "dau. of a Thomas >>>|>> Ellen Granville >>>> >|>> <son> Elliott (from whom descended the owner of Tanavalla, nr Listowel)
                                                   Blennerhassett..."
                                                                           m. Alexander Elliott
                                                                                                    NOTE: There was a Thomas Elliott Blennerhassett; of Ballyegan, Co.Kerry
                                                  (perhaps this Thomas?)
                                                                            of Dowville,
                                                                                                     d.?.2.1772 Co.Kerry (admin. I 228); also on p.IRE 1; He may be connected;
R 05
                                                   m. <???> Granville
                                                                           Co.Limerick
                                                                                                     ["Dublin Hibernian Journal" Feb.1772 & OCM vol. IV, p.359]
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Park c1904

Sept/Oct 1799, in

also a declaration

the Union, 1830

support of the union

against the repeal of

of Ireland with Britain:

Dublin Hell-Fire Club seated at a table, drinking; this also hangs in National Gallery of Ireland, Dublin

R 06

"Celinda" Hayes is alleged to have been the

only lady member of "Limerick Hell Fire Club"; formed in 1740, the club met in a red brick house erected c1740 next to the tower of the ruined Askeaton Castle, Co.Limerick;

Ruins of the house survive

by Sir William Nott-Bower in his autobiography Fifty-two Years a Policeman (FYP):-

... A typical old Irish family was that of the Blennerhassets, of Riddlestown Park, near Rathkeale. Mrs Blennerhasset (Geraldine) was a daughter of a former Knight of Glin. The park was large, entered by a "tumble-down" Lodge, and a long drive overgrown with grass led to the house. The large entrance-hall was filled with tables, littered with newspapers, novels, hunting-crops, walking-sticks, hats and coats, in endless confusion; chairs with broken legs, and rickety cabinets loaded with priceless china, never cared for, and never dusted.

The household consisted of only two or three good-natured, but absolutely inefficient, servants, though devoted to the 'ould' family. At Riddlestown there was always the most cordial of welcomes and the truest |>> Annabella | "Annabel" | Blennerhassett | (dsp)

> m.5.11.1694 Capt. Abraham Green of Ballymacross (Ballymacreese, Ballymachrist) Co.Limerick; d.c1727 (Will dated 7.4.17

d.c1727 (Will dated 7.4.1724 pr.26.11.1727) "...A Derry Officer 1689..." (one of the defenders of Derry during the long siege of 1689)

Margaret's portrait in oil (by John Lewis, fl.1740-57) until c1904 hung at Riddlestown Park, when house inherited by Desmond F.L. FitzGerald, 27th Kt of Glin; he sold Riddlestown Park out of the family and moved the portrait, with other paintings, antiques and sundial, to Glin Castle; The portrait hangs above the chimnevpiece in drawing-room at Glin Castle, the "...splendidly carved & gilded Irish mid-georgian frame..." matching the marble of a superb inlaid c1790 chimney-piece by Bossi; LHFC member Daniel Hayes wrote a poem about the club, dedicating this to Margaret Blennerhassett (his poem later published, in 1769); an oil by James Worsdale, painted for Edward Croker of Ballinagarde, Co.Limerick, depicts 14 members of "The Limerick Hell Fire Club", including Margaret Blennerhassett, gathered around a table; this work hangs in the National Gallery of Ireland (NGI) at Dublin and is illustrated in "The Painters of Ireland c1660-1920" by Anne Crookshank & The Knight of Glin, p.48; a popular drink of HFC members was said to be scaltheen, a mixture of hot whiskey & butter

Limerick Gen. Advertiser or Gazette 4.1.1813:

"...To Gerald Blennerhassett Esq, High Sheriff of Co.Limerick. We the undersigned request that you will convene a meeting of the Protestant noblemen, gentlemen & freeholders and other Protestant inhabitants of this Co. for the purpose of expressing or making known to the legislature the sentiments on the question of Catholic emancipation ...Edward Croker...Richard Croker...Henry Lee..."

MOONLIGHTING

"Moonlighting" was the name given in late 19th century Ireland to nightime acts of agrarian violence; From about 1880, National League "police" were called Moonlighters. They were clandestine, sometimes masked, groups that supported and attempted to enforce the land reform aims of the 'Land League' & 'National League', often using violence to do so; They encouraged tenant farmers not to pay their rent and tried to ensure that no tenant would take on property from which another tenant had been evicted; If a tenant families was evicted, they and their furniture were put out of the house & the doors/windows boarded up; At night 'Moonlighters' would sometimes take away the boards and put the furniture back in.

"The difference 'twixt moonlight and moonshine, the people at last understand for moonlight's the law of the league, and moonshine is the law of the land"

Agrarian violence in Ireland generally ceased following the passing of Lord Ashbourne's 1885 "Irish Land Purchase Act"; this made available to tenant farmers state credit, enticing them to buy the land they farmed and encouraging landlords to sell it to them; This was followed in 1903 by the Wyndham "Irish Land Purchase Act", after which the average ownership of land in Ireland was reduced from about 1000 acres to about 200 acres

In 1821 he and others offered a reward for information leading to conviction of those who attempted to assassinate Alexander Hoskins

Gerard Blennerhassett Jr was a leading figure in the

Colleen Bawn tragedy of 1819, being the man who arrested Lt. Scanlon; NOTE: [BIFR p.136] in error names his son

Gerald FitzGerald Blennerhassett, (b.1809) as the man making this arrest...

Gerald BH & his son Gerald BH Jr. are in a list of Landholders that appeared in the "Limerick Chronicle" Sept/Oct 1832

/
d.22.1.1845
Riddlestown;
[The Cork Examiner
29.1.1845] obit.
said of him, his death
was "deservedly and
universally regretted"

m.23.4.1805 Elizabeth "Eliza" Massy [BIFR p.136] has m. July 1805 in error;

b.c1776; d.1872 Rathkeale, aged 96; [BIFR p.136] has her d.1837(?) in error

dau. of William Massy of Glenville, Ardah, Co.Limerick; She had 21 brothers...

Her portrait in oil hangs opposite that of her husband on a chimneypiece wall at Glin Castle

|>> Elizabeth "Eliza" | Blennerhassett | d.8.4.1807 | at Riddlestown; unm. | ["Cork Morning | Chronicle" 15.4.1807] hospitality - the best of everything that was going, a good bottle of claret after dinner, which was at once whipped off the table the moment the ladies disappeared and replaced by a bowl of steaming whisky punch. The one thing always lacking was 'money', but that did not seem to affect life. The son (Gerald), one of the best men with the Co.Limerick Hounds, was always splendidly mounted, as also was the daughter (Clara), and old Mr.Blennerhasset (Gerald) kept open house for everyone, rich or poor..."

William Massy Blennerhassett DL, JP, perhaps b.14.7.1814; bapt.22.7.1814 Rathkeale;
 of Cloughnarald, Rathkeale, Co.Limerick; of Shannon Lawn, Glin, Co.Limerick 1875;
 C.o.I. Synodsmam & Parochial Nominator for Kilfergus 1875

R.I.C. Officer; Sub-Inspector Co.Waterford 1843-46; served at Killadysert, Co.Clare 1846-51, where he had property (GV Co.Limerick 1850-52); at Kilrush, Co.Clare 1851-8, where he had property at Cappagh, Kilrush [GV Co.Limerick 1850-52]; and at Broadford, Co.Clare 1858; in 1848 recommended new R.I.C. recruit John McKenna of Kerry, RC, age 21; received the Inspector General's commendations 1853 & 56, the latter for "his judicious arrangement in quelling a riot"; retired 1858; High Constable of Limerick & Clare; County Inspector of Limerick; His constabulary & personal journals are in the archives at Glin Castle (ref: P1/20-33) d.c21.11.1903 Shannon Lawn, Glin [death notice "Limerick Chronicle" 21.11.1903] bur.23.11.1903 (dsp);

m.9.9.1847 Margaretta "Margaret" Sophia FitzGerald; b.c1818 d.19.4.1872; dau. of John Fraunceis FitzGerald, 24th Knight of Glin, of Glin Castle; sister of John "Jack" Fraunceis Eyre FitzGerald (R 07) & Geraldine Anne FitzGerald (R 06)

>> Clara Anne >>>>>>> (Desmond) John >>>>> (Desmond) FitzJohn >> (>> Desmond Windham > Edmund FitzGerald Blennerhassett LLoyd FitzGerald Otho FitzGerald DL. IP 27th Knight of Glin, of Glin Castle: d.21.1.78 [BIFR p.136] 26th Knight of Glin of Glin Castle; DL JP 28th Knight of Glin d.20.1.78 [BIFR p.420] of Glin Castle, b.12.3.1862 d.17.9.193 "The Nippy Knight" Co.Limerick; known b.20.1.1901 m.10.8.1835 as "The Big Knight" edu. Cheltenham Coll. edu. Lancing Coll. John "Jack" b.25.3.1840 d.17.8.189 to 1880: d.2.4.1949 Fraunceis Evre High Sheriff 1870-71 High Sheriff FitzGerald, DL, JP Co.Limerick 1904; m.9.1.1929 25th Knight of Glin enjoyed "...hunting, Capt. South of Ireland Veronica Villiers of Glin Castle, b.1909 London; shooting, fishing Imperial Yeomanry Co.Limerick: known as and entertaining..." & Capt. 3rd Battalion "a considerable "The Cracked Knight" Royal Dublin Fusiliers beauty and cousin of Sir Winston "Cracked Jack" in the period 1880-85 or "Jack the Devil"; he came into conflict Following the passing Churchill MP" b.26.5.1813 at with supporters of the of the 1903 Wyndham Reading, England; "Land League" and "Irish Land Purchase of Salisbury. [BIFR p420] d.24.11.6 National League Act" he sold to his Wiltshire, England; ("Moonlighters"), tenants 3200 acres of Edmonton, Alberta; [BIFR p136] d.25.11.6 denunciations by him Glin estate, followed Vancouver Island. his sisters Geraldine and by supporters of a few years later BC, Canada; d.1998 & Margaretta married by a further 800 acres Oualicum BC: dau. the League being of Ernest Villiers bro's of his wife (R 06) published in the press (see NOTE to LEFT, said to have been a "MOONLIGHTING"

his cousin Jane
Augusta Richardson,
"the beautiful
Mrs Richardson",
was believed to be
his mistress

m.30.5.1861 Isabella Lloyd Apjohn of Linfield House, Co.Limerick; d.29.10.1907

it is alleged that "in a tantrum" he burnt most older (pre 1800) documents at Glin; surviving documents are in the University of Limerick Archives (special collections P1)

temperamental and

eccentric character:

a brilliant horseman.

he had the curious

habit of riding his

horse into the homes

of those he visited.

on one occasion

up the stairs;

at Tralee races

attempting to ride

He publicly whipped

Col.Henry Kitchener

son of L1-Col.John Fraunceis FitzGerald, 24th Knight of Glin (1791-1854) it was he who restored previously ailing family fortunes and remodelled Glin House, adding battlements & turrets in the fashion of the day In Feb.1923, during the Irish Civil War, a group of anti-Free State republicans came to burn Glin Castle; FitzJohn refused to leave the house, roaring, from his chair "Well, you will have to burn me in it boys"; they left and did not return

In 1904 inherited Riddlestown Park (home of Blennerhassetts in Limerick since built c1730) on the death of 2nd cousin Clara Urmston Eliz. Fosberry (R 06) last of BH family of Riddlestown

because of the 1903 act, he immediately (c1904) sold Riddlestown Park estate to Mr Magner, whose family has since then farmed the land; The Riddlestown silver service (Queen Anne c1700, pre-dating house) was also sold c1904; The Magner family resided in the house for 70 years, until 1976; Mr Magner's g.son (who was born there) at his marriage moved to his wife's house at Rathkeale, leaving Riddlestown; Their son Pat Magner inherited Riddlestown Park when his father d.c2002 & he nows farms; This grand old house, empty since 1976, derelict, with holes in the roof, windows broken, the fine

marble fireplaces stolen; a pedestal sundial from

R 07

R 08 |>> Mary >>>>>> John Wall; Blennerhassett d. shortly bef.1733; "..a young gentleman m. Maurice Wall; of great hopes..." of Dunmovlan. Co.Limerick; >> Mary Wall Barrister at law. "an able lawyer..." "the representative of Wall of Dunmoylan..."

R 08

& renaming the house "Glin Castle"; he also added the atmospheric walled kitchen garden; this work has strong echoes of that done at "Elm Grove", Ballyseedy, Co.Kerry, remodelled in similar fashion 1821 by Arthur Blennerhassett and renamed as "Ballyseedy Castle" (p.B 09)

EARL OF DUNRAVEN:

At the start of WWI the 4th Earl of Dunraven (father of Lady Rachel FitzGerald, wife of the 27th Knight of Glin - R 07), well known politican, sportsman & vachtsman (who attempted to win the America's Cup in 1893 & 1895 with his vacht "Valkyrie") offered his home Dunraven Castle, Glamorgan as a convelescent home

he also donated to the war effort his private 390 ton steamship "Greta", used as a hospital ship by the Australian Voluntary Hospital, and his large steam yacht "Grianaig" (built for him to a high standard by Scotts of Greenock 1904), with his personal services as its captain, used as an ambulance ship in the Mediterranean

These ships were were painted white, with a red cross on each side and large red strip around the hull, to deter German submarines; "Grianaig" was eventually returned to its owner as "...unsuitable for use as a hospital ship or patrol vessel... but she served again during WWII as the "Lady Shahrazad"

Riddlestown is installed in the garden at Glin; in 2008 there is talk of the house being restored; a description & exterior photograph of the house as it was is in [TW pp.11-12]

m.28.10.1897

Lady Rachael Charlotte Wyndham-Quin dau, of the 4th Earl of Dunrayen (R 08) d.30.1.1901 following the birth of her only child

>> Urmston FitzOtho FitzGerald; b.29.6.1864; edu. Cheltenham Coll. to 1882 (rugby XV 1882); Lieut. Royal Irish Fusiliers 1885; d.19/26.7.1886 unm. of Enteric Fever (Malaria) at Charat, India

>> Louis de Rottenburgh FitzGerald Capt. Royal Irish Fusiliers; emig. South Africa; b.16.1.1867 d.c1924; edu. Cheltenham College

|>> (Clara) Nesta >>>>> >|>> issue (p.B 09) Richarda FitzGerald MBE (1918); b.c1864 Co.Kerry; d.16.1.1945 Ballyseedy Castle, bur. Ballyseedy new churchyard [IT 27.1.1945]

in the entrance hall of Glin Castle (on right-hand wall by the staircase arch) is a portrait in oil of Nesta in her court presentation dress, painted in 1882 on honeymoon at Rome by Norwegan artist Christian Meyer Ross (1853-1904); she spoke Irish & English

during WWI Nesta nursed with VAD (Voluntary Aid Detachment) in the mediteranean on board Lord Dunraven's SS "Greta" & steam yacht "Grianaig", in use as hospital/ambulance ships; she and Lord Dunraven becoming close friends; her dau's Hilda & Vera also nursed on Grianaig

unusually for a civilian, Nesta was awarded the B.E.F. 1914-15 star (aka Mons Star), awarded to military personnel & some civilians who served in France/Belgium between 5.8.1914 & 31.12.15); also the British War Medal (for service abroad) and the Victory Medal (awarded to all military & civilian personnel serving between 1914 & 1918)

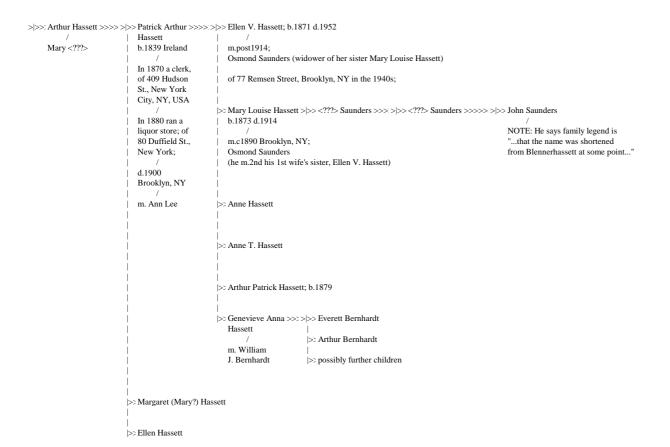
For her services Nesta was made MBE 1918; her decorations are displayed at Glin Castle, in a small frame adjacent to her portrait; her official medal record notes that she "...served on Lord Dunraven's Ambulance ships Greta & Grianaig August 1914 onwards but became V.A.D. members only in April 1916..."

It was widely known that Nesta was mistress of Lord Dunrayen until his death in 1927: in 1922 she performed the naming ceremony for his new yacht Sonya, 554 tons [IT 17.6.1922]: at his death Lord Dunraven bequeathed to Mrs Nesta Blennerhassett £10,000 and "an annuity of £1,500 during her life", also "...his two silver statuettes (one of himself), other articles, and Kenry House, Putney Vale, and lands, and his house, 22 Norfolk Street, Park Lane, London" [IT 22.1.1927]

m.6.6.1882 Glin Castle; Maj. Arthur Blennerhassett MBE (1917/18), DL, DI, JP (Magistrate); b.26.6.1856 & bapt.11.7.1856 at Ballyseedy: of Ballyseedy Castle, Ballyseedy, Tralee, Co.Kerry R 09 |>> Gerald Blennerhasstt >: >|>> son (d.young) FitzGerald b.20.2.1842; Capt. Royal Limerick Artilliary; emig. to Manitoba, Canada m.5.6.1880 Sarah Georgina FitzGerald; b.1.8.1838; of Ballydonoghue >> William Urmston FitzGerald; d.26.7.1878; unm. |>> John Fraunceis >>>>> >|>> Otho Blennerhassett FitzGerald Eyre FitzGerald b.9.1.1885 d.18.11.1901 b.6.6.1846 d.7.10.1924 |>> George Fraunceis >>>> >|>> Gerald Joseph FitzGerald emig. to USA 1878 b.8.5.1910; of Chicago, Illinois, USA FitzGerald LLB; b.12.10.1886 d.19.4.1963 m.20.4.1882 New York Lawyer, of Chicago; edu. Univ of Chicago & John Marshall Law School Mary Bedelia edu. ChicagoLaw School (LL.B.1946; JD1970) Culhane, of Glin, Hon. LLD University of East Florida (1971) Co.Limerick; m.18.4.1909 d.6.5.1922 Catherine Pearl Lawyer & Politican; Diplomat US Treasury Department; Veronica Walsh A.D.M. on the staff of Governor of Nebraska; of Chicago, Cook Co., Reporting Broker, U.S. Attorney Anti-Trust Division; Illinois, USA; d.1.6.1965 State's Attorney of Cook County, Illinois; Hon. Commander, US Navy Submarine Fleet; Author of: >> Florence Clare FitzGerald "Nebraska Admirals" & "The FitzGeralds of Desmond" b.23.8.1883 d.21.7.1884 >> Thomas Otho FitzGerald; b.23.2.1849; Lieut. 27th Punjab Infantry; served in Afghan War d.21.11.1878, KIA at Ali Musjid, bur. at Peshawar >> George William Massy FitzGerald b.5.7.1850; d.25.4.1872 unm. |>> Geraldine Elizabeth >> >|>> <dau.> Greer b.10.1.1866 Blennerhassett FitzGerald, |>> <dau.> Greer b.1.8.1869 b.17.4.1836 Riddlestown m.13.10.1863 St.Stephen's Church, Dublin [BLG] has m.13.12.1863 in error; Capt. Thomas Harpur Greer, Royal Artilliary; b.5.4.1828; of The Grange, Moy, Co.Tyrone & of 8 Mount Street Crescent, Dublin (1863) |>> Clara Bridget FitzGerald b.7.8.1837 d.23.9.1850 >> Florence Sophia FitzGerald; unm. |>> Margaretta Maria >>>> >|>> Hugh Heneage Finch b.1871; Fraunceis FitzGerald of Maryville, Limerick; Capt. RFRA; b.24.10.1841 served at Ashanti & Northern Nigeria 1900-01 m.1869 m.1906 Amy Margaret Sandes; George William Finch of Sallow Glen, Co.Kerry JP (Magistrate); d.24.9.1907 >> George Finch of Maryville, Co.Limerick; |>> Otho Finch >>>>>> >|>> Desmond Otho Hon, Col, Limerick of Rock Hill, Horsham FitzGerald Finch County Militia Road, Sussex b.1910 m.1909 Florence Hilda Lucas: of Fox Hunt Manor, Sussex >> Harry Finch |>> William Finch d.1900 >> Frederick Finch

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R 10
                                                                                                                         family DESCENDED
                                                                                                                            Blennerhassett
                                                                                                                                                      b.c1811 Co.Limerick; emig. to USA;
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       of Alpine, Texas.
                                                                                                                                                      d.12.3.1885 Chicago, Illinois, USA
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       USA c1979
                                                                                                                            m.4/8.5.1804
                                                                                                                                                      ["Limerick Chronicle" 31.3.1885]
                                                                                                                            Nantenan Church
                                                                                                                            Co.Limerick;
                                                                                                                                                    |>> Bessie Harding >>>>>> >|>> Alfred William Russell; b.c1843 Ireland
                                                                                                                            Lt. Samuel Harding.
                                                                                                                                                      b.c1816/19 Co.Limeric
                                                                                                                            18th Light Dragoons
                                                                                                                                                       Ireland;
                                                                                                                                                                               >> Letitia Caroline Russell; living on own means 1901 (census)
                                                                                                                                                       of 5 Pralason Park Villa | b.c1844/47 Jersey, Channel Islands; unm. in 1901
                                                                                                                            of Harding Grove,
                                                                                                                                                      The Terrace, Isleworth,
                                                                                                                                                                                 boarder at 44 Surrey Street, Brighton, Sussex 1901
                                                                                                                            Co.Limerick
                                                                                                                                                      Hounslow, Middlesex
                                                                                                                            (son of
                                                                                                                                                                               >> James Spaight Russell; b.c1847 Jersey, Channel Islands
                                                                                                                            Maj. Henry Harding
                                                                                                                                                        m. Alfred Russell
                                                                                                                                                                              >> Eliza M. Russell; b.c1851 Ireland
                                                                                                                            of Harding Grove)
                                                                                                                                                       b.c1815/18;
                                                                                                                                                                               >> Jane M. Russell; b.c1853 Portsea, Hampshire
                                                                                                                                                      edu, TCD
                                                                                                                                                                               >> Elinor Russell; d.young
                                                                                                                            ["Limerick General
                                                                                                                                                      (admitted 21.10.1833)
                                                                                                                            Advertiser or Gazette
                                                                                                                                                                               >> Emmeline Blennerhassett Russell
                                                                                                                                                      clerk in the convict
                                                                                                                            of 9.5.1804]
                                                                                                                                                       service; d. bef.1891
                                                                                                                                                                                 living on own means 1901 (census)
                                                                                                                            has m. "yesterday"
                                                                                                                                                                                 b.c1855/57/61 Portsmouth, Hampshire; unm. in 1901
                                                                                                                            (i.e. 8th May)
                                                                                                                                                                                 boarder at 44 Surrey Street, Brighton, Sussex 1901
                                                                                                                            ["Ennis Chronicle"
                                                                                                                            of Wed 13.5.1804]
                                                                                                                                                                               >> FitzHarding Russell; b.c1859 Portsea, Hampshire
                                                                                                                            has m. "on Monday"
                                                                                                                            (i.e. 4th May)
                                                                                                                                                    >> Joseph Harding; b.c1822 Co.Limerick (youngest & last surviving son)
                                                                                                                                                       emig. to USA; settled Chicago, Illinois; d.16.11.1885 Chicago [Limerick Chronicle 5.1.1886]
                                                                                                                         |>> John Blennerhassett >> >|>> Letitia Grace Blennerhassett; b.c1821; of Rockfield, Kilpeacon;
                                                                                                                            JP; b.c1778
                                                                                                                                                       of the "Protestant Aid Home", Co.Limerick 1915, which may be where she died;
                                                                                                                            of Riddlestown Park:
                                                                                                                                                      d.31.3.1915; bur. Crecora; unm. ["Limerick Chronicle" 1.4.1915]
                                                                                                                            of Whiskey Hall,
                                                                                                                            Kilmoylan, Limerick
                                                                                                                                                       [BIFR p.136] shows this same Letitia Blennerhassett twice, in error; correctly in this generation
                                                                                                                            1813-1832; of
                                                                                                                                                      (as Letitia Blennerhassett, d.unm) and also incorrectly in the next generation
                                                                                                                            Rockfield (Rochevale)
                                                                                                                                                      (as Letitia Grace Blennerhassett d.31.3.1915 unm.; a dau. of John Brooke BH)
                                                                                                                            Ballycahane, near
                                                                                                                            Kilpeacon, Rathkeale,
                                                                                                                                                    |>: John Brooke >>>>>>|> John Frederick Blennerhassett b.26.2.1857 at 3 Mountjoy Square, Dublin;
                                                                                                                                                                                 bapt.1.4.1857 St.George (C.o.I.) Dublin; of Rockfield, Co.Limerick; Lieut. with the
                                                                                                                            Co.Limerick 1834-71
                                                                                                                                                       Blennerhassett
                                                                                                                                                      b.c1827
                                                                                                                                                                                  88th Connaught Rangers; invalided from Mauritius c1879, as a result of which
                                                                                                                            Magistrate (JP)
                                                                                                                                                                                  he d.24.11.1879 at Rockfield "after a long and painful illness, from the effects of
                                                                                                                            1834-38; Ballyneety,
                                                                                                                                                       of Rockfield.
                                                                                                                                                                                  climate, and borne with perfect Christian resignation"
                                                                                                                            Co.Limerick Petit
                                                                                                                                                       Ballycahane, near
                                                                                                                                                                                  [Limerick Chronicle" 27.11.1879]; unm.
                                                                                                                            Sessions 1838
                                                                                                                                                       Kilpeacon, Rathkeale
                                                                                                                            ["Limerick Standard"
                                                                                                                                                      [GV Lim. 1850-52];
                                                                                                                                                                               >> Richard Alfred >>>>> >|>> (Richard John) Verdon >|>> Richard >>>>>>> >|>>
                                                                                                                            newspaper 30.3.1838]
                                                                                                                                                      of Rock View, Limericl
                                                                                                                                                                                 Blennerhassett
                                                                                                                                                                                                            Blennerhassett
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       Blennerhassett
                                                                                                                                                       & 3 Mount Joy Square
                                                                                                                                                                                 of Rockfield:
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       b.22.10.1949
                                                                                                                                                                                  Ballycahane, near
                                                                                                                            held game certificate
                                                                                                                                                      Dublin North 1854-7
                                                                                                                                                                                                            Ballyregan, Crecora
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       of Ballyregan,
                                                                                                                                                                                  Kilpeacon, Rathkeale
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       Crecora, Co.Limeric
                                                                                                                            (licence for killing
                                                                                                                                                                                                            Co.Limerick
                                                                                                                                                      In 1870-8 he owned
                                                                                                                            game) 1813-21;
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                                                                                                                            In 1830 signed a
                                                                                                                                                       1829 acres
                                                                                                                                                                                  Mountjoy Sq. Dublin
                                                                                                                                                                                                            bur. Crecora New Cem.
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       m. <???>
                                                                                                                            declaration against
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                                                                                                                                                                                  George (C.o.I.) Dublin
                                                                                                                            the repeal of Union
                                                                                                                                                       John Blennerhassett
                                                                                                                                                                                                            m. Catherine "Kitty"
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    >> Patricia
                                                                                                                            with Britain; in the
                                                                                                                                                       who leased land at
                                                                                                                                                                                                             Bennett
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       Blennerhassett
                                                                                                                            list of Landholders in
                                                                                                                                                      Finnoo, Kilmoylan,
                                                                                                                                                                                  d.23.12.1930 Rockfield
                                                                                                                                                                                                            of Ballingarry,
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       b.30.12.1944
                                                                                                                            ["Limerick Chronicle"
                                                                                                                                                      Co.Limerick)
                                                                                                                                                                                  [IT 27.12.1830 &
                                                                                                                                                                                                            Co.Limerick
                                                                                                                            Sept/Oct 1832]
                                                                                                                                                                                  3.1.1831] bur. Crecora
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       m.19.10.1971
                                                                                                                                                       Capt. Limerick Co.
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       Donold O'Brien
                                                                                                                            d.1871 Limerick
                                                                                                                                                      Militia 1854
                                                                                                                                                                                  at the death of
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       of Churchfield, Clarina, Co.Limerick
                                                                                                                                                                                  Arthur Blennerhassett
                                                                                                                            m.1st ?.10.1807
                                                                                                                                                       d.22.2.1892 Croom;
                                                                                                                                                                                  of Ballyseedy Castle,
                                                                                                                                                                                                         |>> Louise Manders >>>>> |>> David "Dave" >>>>> >|>>
                                                                                                                                                                                  Co.Kerry on 3.5.1939
                                                                                                                            at Littur, nr. Tarbet
                                                                                                                                                      [BIFR p.136] has
                                                                                                                                                                                                            Blennerhassett
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       Charles Johnson Sr.
                                                                                                                            <???> Wren, dau. of
                                                                                                                                                      d.22.2.1897 in error
                                                                                                                                                                                  (p.B 14) he became
                                                                                                                                                                                                            b.8.1.1910
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       (formerly David
                                                                                                                                                                                  head of the family
                                                                                                                                                                                                            of Rockfield
                                                                                                                            Thomas Wren of
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       Blennerhassett)
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       b.18.5.1948 Banbridge
                                                                                                                            Littur (probably dsp)
                                                                                                                                                       m.7.12.1854 St.George
                                                                                                                                                                                  worldwide, i.e. the
                                                                                                                                                                                                            Ballycahane,
                                                                                                                                                       (C.o.I.) Dublin;
                                                                                                                                                                                  most senior of the
                                                                                                                                                                                                            Co.Limerick;
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       City Hospital, Belfast,
                                                                                                                            m.2nd 18.9.1817 (issue)
                                                                                                                                                       Emmaline Maria
                                                                                                                                                                                  ancient family of
                                                                                                                                                                                                            housekeeper 1948
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       Northern Ireland
                                                                                                                            Athlacca Church,
                                                                                                                                                       Manders;
                                                                                                                                                                                  Blennerhassett
                                                                                                                                                                                                            unm.
                                                                                                                            Co.Limerick:
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       adopted 1950 by Mr & Mrs Charles Johnson of USA
                                                                                                                                                       of Brackenstown.
                                                                                                                            Mary Anne Bennett
                                                                                                                                                       Co.Dublin;
                                                                                                                                                                                  m.30.8.1907
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       (then residing at Liverpool England; later of London,
                                                                                                                        of Ballincallow, Co.Limerick
                                                                                                                                                       d.14.4.1865
                                                                                                                                                                                  Lousia Chomley
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       England; also of Florida, Washington DC, Boston, Mass.
                                                                                                    ["Limerick General Advertiser or Gazette"
                                                                                                                                                                                  Farran;
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       & Atlanta Georgia in USA);
                                                                                                    22.9.1817] ["Limerick Evening Post" 22.9.1817]
                                                                                                                                                      d. of Richard Manders
                                                                                                                                                                                 of Toorleitra,
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       of Atlanta, Georgia; edu. Georgia Institute of Technology
                                                                                                                                                                                 Woodford, Galway
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R 12
                                                                                                    "Wild Oats", 1791 (revived by Royal Shakespeare Company, London 1976 and Royal National Theatre in 1990s)
                                                                                                    "Valentine and Orson; or, the Wild Man of Orleans", 1795
                                                                         |>> Christiana Heaphy
                                                                           b.bef.1733
                                                                                                    "The Wicklow Gold Mine", 1796 (opera), revised as "The Wicklow Mountains"
                                                                                                    "The Dramatic Works of John O'Keeffe, Esq (4 vol) T. Woodfall, London 1798
                                                                                                    author of:
                                                                                                    autobiography "Recollections of the Life of John O'Keeffe: written by himself" [O'KEEFFE] in two parts
                                                                                                                       ["The New Monthly Magazine"; part 1 April 1826, vol.16 No.64, pp.345-360;
                                                                                                                       part 2 <???>], also pub. in 2 vols., H. Colbourn, London 1826
                                                                                                    "O'Keefe's Legacy to his Daughters", 1834 (poems and recollections)
                                                                                                    composer of songs:
                                                                                                    "I am a Friar of the Orders Grey"
                                                                                                    "The Thorn"
                                                                                                 >> Lt. Gerald Blennerhassett Heaphy; army
                                                                                                    32nd Regt. of Foot; d. in Martimco
                                                                                                 |>> Rachel Heaphy (youngest daughter); fl.1826
                                                                                                    m. Rev. George Alley
                                                                                                    Rector of Moymett, Co.Meath; fl.1826
                                                 |>> Eleanor "Ellen" >>>> >|>> Ellen Spiers Gabbett b.c1726-1730, fl.1733
                                                   Blennerhassett
                                                   m.1726 Co.Cloyne; Thomas Spiers Gabbett [BIFR p.136 & p.456]
                                                   b. post 1700 Co.Cork; of the Gabbett family of Baggotstown, Co.Cork;
                                                   of Tivoli, Glanmire, Co.Cork; d.1796
                                                   2nd son of William Gabbett of Caherline House, Lisnagry, Co.Limerick
                                                   TSG m.2nd 9.4.1730
                                                   Carrigaline, Co.Cork
                                                   Mary Davies >>>>>|>> Thomas Spiers >>>> >|>> Thomas Spiers Gabbett
                                                                           Gabbett
                                                   (not Ellen Davies)
                                                                           prob. d.c1769 and
                                                   of Donneybrook,
                                                   Co.Cork
                                                                            Will proved 1769 (copy of this Will not found)
                                                   TSG perhaps
                                                                         >> Mary Gabbett
                                                   m.3rd 1732 Cloyne;
                                                   Mary Southgate
                                                                           m. Michael Roberts of Kilmoney
                                                                         |>> Richard Gabbett >>> >|>> John Spiers Gabbett
                                                                                                    moved to Bath, Somerset
                                                                            m. <???>
                                                 |>> Elizabeth >>>>>> |>> issue
                                                   Blennerhassett
                                                   m.1733 William Harding
                                                   of Carrigduff (Coomgriff, Croomgriff), Co.Limerick
                                                 |>> Christiana >>>>>> >|>> Richard Lloyd
                                                   Blennerhassett
                                                                           b.1731 d.c1731/3
                                                   m.c1731
                                                                         |>> Richard Lloyd b.c1733/5
                                                   Thomas Llovd
                                                   b.1703 d.1791;
                                                                        |>> son b.1735
                                                   of Kildromore; also
                                                   of Dunnsallugh,
                                                                         >> Ellen Lloyd b.1733/5
                                                   Co.Limerick
                                                                         |>> Anne Lloyd
                                                                           m. William Lloyd of Tower Hill, Co.Limerick
                        |>> Ellen >>>>>>> |>> Mary Bailey
                           Blennerhassett
                           d.bef.1695
                                                >> Ellen Bailey
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                           m. Capt. Henry Bailey; of Loughgur, Bruff, Co.Limerick
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DISCONNECTED BLENNERHASSETTs - Co.Limerick: Blennerhassett (alias Hassett) of Riddlestown Mr Blennerhassett, said to have m. as his 2nd wife "...perhaps in Limerick..." a "Mrs Bovenizer" NOTE: Bovenizer is a Palatine name Perhaps(?) ider Lieut. George B John Blennerhassett f GM Oct.1847] M.16.7.1844 at St.Michael, Limerick; Hannah Boyle >>> John Arthur >>>

Arthur Blennerhassett
d.ca8.8.1756 Co.Limerick
[Magazine of Magazines death notice 8.8.1756]

Elizabeth Josephine Hassett b.1872 Rathkeale, Co.Limerick

Moved to Liverpool, England with her new husband; (She is said to be related to Lindsay Hassett of Geelong, Victoria, Australia (p.A 4), the Victoria & Australia Cricketer, but I have found no connection)

m. Vincent Gabriel Delaney; b.1868 Tuam, Co.Galway; Son of Thomas Delaney of Galway, a stable-boy, and Mary Ann Brown, the only dau. of wealthy parents ("...possibly a Lord...") disinherited for marrying beneath her, the estate being "..left to monks..."

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>|>> George >>>>>>> |>> Dorothea Hassett
                            bant 6.7.1760 Rathkeale
                          |>> Catherine Hassett
                            bapt.15.11.1762 Rathkeale
                          |>> son b.c11.10.1780
                             ["Dublin Hibernian
                             Journal" 11.10.1780]
     Perhaps(?) identical with, but dates do not fit well...
    Lieut. George Blennerhassett; 3rd Regt. Vet. Battalion;
    of Facnet and St.Servan; d.14.6.1847 Carhaix, France
    [GM Oct.1847]
>|>> John Arthur >>>>> >|>> Samuel Arthur Blennerhassett
                            b.22.1.1893 Limerick City:
    (not John Alfred)
                            bapt, Trinity Church, Limerick
    Blennerhassett:
    b.c1861 Co.Kerry;
                            d.c23.7.1912 Manchester, England
    of 17 Country (County?) ["Limerick Chronicle" obit 23.7.1912]
     View Terrace, Ballinacurra,
    Co.Limerick:
     Accountant; of 26 Colooney Street, Limerick 1902; Scripture Reader;
    of 17 County View Terrace, Ballincurra, Co.Limerick 1912-13
    d.c6.11.1913 bur.8.11.1913 at St.Munchins, Limerick
    ["Limerick Chronicle" death notice 6.11.1913, funeral report 8.11.1913]
    m.c1884 Marion <???>
    b.c1861 Co.Kerry; of Ballinacurra;
    d.1932; bur.8.8.1932 at St.Munchins
>|>> Thomas >>>>>>> John Blennerhassett
                             bapt, cApril/May 1761
    Blennerhassett
                             Rathkeale, Co.Limerick
    m. <???>
>|>> Martin Hassett >>>> |>> Patrick "Pat" Hassett
  of Co.Limerick
                        1| of Lakyle, Arna Crucia,
    b.1910 Limerick
                            Co.Clare (nr Limerick)
    d.1960
                          |>> Martin Hassett
   m. Mary Kirby
                            of Widnes, Cheshire,
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A tradition of this family is that a young Blennerhassett man, a Protestant, married a Catholic Irish girl, was disowned by his parents and eventually the name became shortened to Hassett: This remains unverified

[Anthologica Hibernica June 1794, p.478]

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Thomas Hassett >>> >|>> Alice Hassett b.c1879 d.6.10.1950; b.c1860 d.26.2.1942; bur. St.Mary's, Limerick bur. St.Mary's, Limerick  
m. Alice Baldwin d.16.9.1927, bur. St.Mary's, Limerick Dr.James Hassett, MD d.2.6.1794 Limerick  
"...occasioned by fall from a horse..."
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HASSETTs from Co.Limerick, Ireland:
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John Hassett >>>>>>|>> Margaret Hassett bapt.23.4.1758 St.John, Limerick

Dr. James Hassett MD:>|>> Mary Anne Hassett
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/ b.c21.1.1819 St.George's Quay, Limerick d.9.6.1794 Limerick "by a fall from his horse" m.c21.1.1819 Thomas M'Mahon

m. Susanna <???>, a Midwife;

of St.George's Street, Limerick from 1817; of St.George's Quay, Limerick from 1818

["Clare Journal" 12.6.1794 & 21.1.1819] [["Ennis Chronicle" 12.6.1794] ["Limerick Evening Post" 25.8.1817 & 22.10.1818]

John Hassett of Co.Limerick; Convict; Transported to NSW, Australia on ship "Asia V" (2.12.1831)

Michael Hassett (Hayset) of Co.Limerick; Convict; Transported to NSW, Australia on ship "Minerva I" (30.4.1818)

Lieut. Thomas Hassett RN, d.25.5.1818 of Typhus Fever;

at Denmark Street, Limerick "...in the prime of his life"
["Limerick Chronicle" 27.5.1818] & ["Limerick Evening Post" 25.5.1818]

Timothy Hassett of Co.Limerick; Convict; Transported to NSW, Australia on ship "Forth" (3.2.1835)

Thomas Hassett b.c1826 d.cJun1886 at Glin (vol.5 p.201)

Patrick Hassett b.c1866 d.1866 Rathkeale (vol.20 p.382)

John Hassett b.c1809 d.cSep1879 at Rathkeale (vol.5 p.351)

John Hassett m. 1868 Rathkeale (vol.5 p.737)

John Hassett b.c1864 d.1864 Glin (vol.20 p.185)

John Hassett b.c1822 d.cMar1882 at Rathkeale (vol.5 p.463)

Ellen Hassett b.c1799 d.1869 Rathkeale (vol.10 p.396)

Margaret Hassett b.c1787 d.1872 Rathkeale (vol.15 p.404)

Margaret Hassett b.c1790 d.cMar1880 Rathkeale (vol.5 p.488)

Mary Hassett b.c1792 d.1872 Rathkeale (vol.10 p.488)

Mary Hassett b.c1839 d.cDec1884 at Rathkeale (vol.5 p.399)

George Hassett b.c1801 d.1871 Rathkeale (vol.15 p.329)

George Hassett m.1869 Rathkeale (vol.15 p.344)

Alice Hassett m.31.7.1793 St.John, Limerick; George Moss

Faith Hassett bapt.14.1.1727 St.John, Limerick

Catherine Hassett m.1.5.1765 St.Munchin, Limerick; David Evans

Thomas Hassett

m.7.4.1820 Limerick Cathedral (St.Mary); Mary Rice

John Charles Hassett >>>|>> from whom descended >|>> Theodore F. Hassett b.1838 Limerick of USA emig. to USA 1852

Alice Hassett

m.31.7.1793 St.John. Limerick, Co.Limerick;

George Moss