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BALL FAMILIES  
OF  
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and to  
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*who, in the past and present,*  
*have added lustre and distinction*  
*to their name and families*  
*by their scientific discoveries*  
*and writings,*  
*This Book of Ball Family Records at home and abroad*  
*is Dedicated*  
by  
*the Author.*



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## FOREWORD.

The study of Family History has become so general during the last quarter of a century that no defence is needed for issuing another work on that subject. It will always, however, seem a matter of folly and a waste of time to any who not only have not the taste for it, but actually dislike and despise it; yet it is only National and County History in miniature. The time is past when a genealogist proper may dread the odium of being thought to indulge in family pride or of being accused of a desire to discover a claim to money.

Now, when every facility is given by the Public Record Offices and the Probate Registries and Public Libraries for free literary search, when an International Genealogical Directory has been published, when there are numerous magazines devoted to genealogy, when a famous Historian like the late Bishop Stubbs, of Oxford, could make pedigree-hunting a diversion, and a late eminent judge, Sir Edmund Bewley, could throw himself with ardour and success into its pursuit, no one need be ashamed of trying to learn something of the history and characteristics of one's own or other's ancestry.

It was my privilege to spend ten years as a Missionary in Japan from 1873 onward, and I was greatly struck with the way in which that interesting people preserved the records of their forefathers. One of my first Christian converts had been a Shinto priest, who could trace his ancestors as hereditary priests for 25 generations, and others in like manner were able to follow up their line.

On my return home, I resided for five years in Dublin, and there for the first time was able to investigate the history of the old Dublin family to which my mother belonged; the research I then entered on led to the necessity of distinguishing the lines of other Balls,

and with the kind assistance of some members of those families I published a book which has had a considerable circulation, paid its way, been quoted as an authority and is out of print. My second work, "The Ussher Memoirs," undertaken by the advice of the late Bishop Reeves and Sir J. Bernard Burke, was even more successful and is also out of print. Since then I lived for seven years in America, where I found that all literary people took a much greater interest in their family origin than is the case in England; clubs have been formed (such as the Ball Family Club, founded at Ball College, N. Y. State, in 1901), to investigate origins and celebrate reunions.

Having frequently received letters asking for copies of the Ball Records and been forced to reply "out of print," I have at last mustered courage to bring out a second and enlarged edition. This I have now accomplished, though not with the same ease as the first edition. I am now living at York, away from the great sources of information, which I had personal access to before. I have, however, had kind friends in Dublin, London, America, and South Africa, some of whom have laid themselves out to make researches, and others to finance the cost of printing.

Besides the many obscure or unimportant individuals bearing the Ball name who are mentioned in these pages, are some of great distinction in Science and Law, others who were mothers of eminent sons. Such were the late Dr. J. T. Ball, Lord Chancellor of Ireland, the late Judge Nicholas Ball, of Dublin, the late Mr. John Ball, F.R.S., founder and first President of the Alpine Club, and author of the famous Alpine Guide; also the late Dr. Robert Ball, of Dublin, the Naturalist, and his three accomplished sons; Sir Robert S. Ball, F.R.S., Professor of Astronomy at Dublin and then at Cambridge, more at home among the stars than many are in their native land; the late Dr. Valentine Ball, C.B., the Geologist, and Sir Chas. Bent Ball, of Dublin, the eminent surgeon. Going further back, there was

Sergeant John Ball, M.P. for Drogheda in 1800, and an eloquent opponent of the Union.

Mrs. Bartholomew Ball, of Dublin, of Royal descent from Edward I., in 1584, was a noble confessor of the faith of her fathers, even unto prison and death, and was the wife of a Mayor, mother of two, and grandmother of two Mayors of Dublin City, when it was a distinction to hold that office.

Mother Superior Frances Mary Teresa Ball, of Loretto Abbey, Rathfarnham, was a great foundress and ruler of a widespread order of Educational Nuns; and Mary Ball of Virginia was the mother of the great George Washington, who resembled her in features and character, and owed to her the training which made him noble and patriotic.

The mass of materials accumulated in the course of preparing this volume would fill yet another book, and it is my hope that others will work out the history of Ball families, for which I could find no room, without delaying the issue of this volume, and incurring more financial responsibility than I cared to undertake. I should have liked especially to trace the ancestry of Sir Alexander John Ball, the friend and correspondent of Nelson, whose biography is given in the D. N. B. and whose portrait hangs in the Painted Hall at Greenwich Hospital. He had a great share in the capture of Malta, was appointed first Governor of the island, died, and was buried there in 1809. His father was Robert Ball, of Stonehouse Court and Ebworth Park, Co. Gloucester, who married Mary, only daughter of Marshe Dickinson, Lord Mayor of London, 1756-7. Robert Ball was High Sheriff of Gloucestershire in 1748.

Sir Alexander, who was the fourth, but third surviving, son, was probably born at Ebworth, baptized at Painswick Church, July 22, 1756. His eldest brother was George Robert Ball, a Major in the Marines. Sir Alexander died Oct. 20, 1809. He was educated partly at Stroud School. It is said that the boys once held a mock trial and execution, and the question was who

should hang. Young Alec volunteered. When turning black, they cut him down. He married on July 7, 1785, Mary Smith Wilson, daughter of John Wilson, of Westminster. His only son and successor, Sir Wm. Keith Ball, a Norfolk Baronet, a bachelor till his 82nd year, married a lady 45 years his junior and d.s.p. A family descended from the first cousin of Sir Alexander's father still resides at Stroud, and one of them, Mr. A. Morton Ball, is Registrar of the Gloucestershire County Court in that town.

I now beg to express my gratitude and thanks to those who have helped me in any way in the work of writing and compiling this book; first, to Mr. James Mills, I.S.O., Deputy-Keeper of the Irish Public Records, for kind permission to have researches made in the Irish Record Office; to Mr. H. F. Berry, D. Litt., I.S.O., for kind assistance in drawing up the pedigree of the Balls of Shannon; to Mr. G. D. Burtchaell, LL.B., of the Ulster Office of Arms, for valuable notes and corrections; to Mr. Thos. Hand Ball, of Philadelphia, for similar help regarding some American families of Ball, and also for his generous subscriptions; to Mr. F. Elrington Ball, the well-known historian of the Co. Dublin, who, together with his late relative, Mr. B. Manly Ball, has been a liberal subscriber and also has carefully revised the history of his family, besides making researches for me; to Mr. H. Houston Ball, of Ealing, for important notes contributed by him on all the Ball families; to Mr. Tenison Groves, of Blackrock, Co. Dublin, for the kind loan of the exhaustive notes of his researches in the Irish Record Office; to Miss Emma S. Yerby, of Virginia, for topographical and family notes in Chap. XIV.; Miss Helen A. Crofton, of Dublin; Mr. George J. Ball, of Rathmines; Revd. H. B. Swanzy, Rector of Carrowdore, Co. Down; Mr. R. S. Boddington, of Worthing; Revd. Dr. Lockett Ford, of Ardee; Revd. E. A. Hardcastle, Vicar of All Saints', Maidstone; Mr. R. Ball Dodson, of Brighton; and Revd. Canon Flavin, of the Pro-Cathedral,

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## CHAPTER I.

### THE ORIGIN AND EARLY MENTION IN THE BRITISH ISLANDS OF THE NAME OF BALL.

The name Ball not being a high-sounding patronymic, but one that is apparently identical with a word meaning anything round in shape, it will be necessary to seek for information as to its origin. A great authority, Camden, says that Baul and Bald are nurse or nick names for Baldwin, which, as a personal name, was the favourite name of the Counts of Flanders, and so became most popular in that part. When William the Conqueror married the daughter of Baldwin the VIII., and many Flemings came to England, the name Baldwin, too, came over. In Belgium the name, spelt "Bal," is still very common, but an early and interesting example of the name is found in the Patent Rolls of Henry III., when a letter is written to Henry de Balle, E'chivin (Sheriff) of Mechlines, and to the other E'chivins and Consules, asking them to see that justice is done on a certain Englishman (1320).

Bardsley, too, in his well-known work on surnames, agrees with Camden, and thinks the notion of a derivation from *bald* ancestors an absurd one. A recent writer on the Homes of English Surnames, Mr. Guppy, in his interesting work, for every detail of which one need by no means vouch, says that the name "Ball" is chiefly confined to the west side of England, and is most frequent in Lancashire, Staffordshire, Warwickshire, and Gloucestershire. It is distinct from "Balls," which is found on the east side of England, in the Counties of Norfolk, Suffolk, and Essex.

Guppy also adds that in the Hundred Rolls, in every

10,000 names the proportion of persons named Ball in Cheshire is 14; in Cornwall, 14; in Denbighshire, 15; in Devon, 14; Gloucestershire, 27; Lancs., 34; Somerset, 11; Staffs, 36; Warwickshire, 40.

Amongst early mention is one, that Edward II. wished to give the Bishopric of Dol to his cousin, Guy de Balle. This cousinship may have been through his grandmother, Eleanor de Provence.

In a Cal. of Charter Rolls, 1233, Sept., Richd., Rex., "Osbert Ball, &c., are said to hold lands in the Manor of Russuth under Adam Esturney, the King's Yeoman."

In Pat. Rol. 9, Henry III., 1225, License is given to Jordan Bal of Dovre and other mariners who came to Portsmouth by the King's command to carry troops. In the Close Rolls of Edw. i., 1272—79, p. 179, "Peter Balle and others of Northampton imprisoned at Peterboro for the death of Wolnoth de Kempeston appealed, and have letters to the Sheriff of Northampton to bail them."

Robert Balle and others were imprisoned at Oxford for the death of Ralph Balle of Lamburn; letters to the Sheriff to bail them. These were, doubtless, quarrels.

1276. Walter Balle, huntsman of John Gifford, to have 6 oaks from the Constable of Devizes Castle, in the forest of Melksham, of the King's gift.

1275. May 6. The death of Wm. Balle, of Glen; men imprisoned at Northampton for his murder.

1281. Richard Balle came before the King at Clarendon, and sought replevy of lands of a certain lady, taken into hands of the King.

Pardon for the death of Wm. Balle, of Arnhale, Co. Lincoln, 1282, to Ralph de Marton; the death of Henry Balle de Bromleigh in Staffs.

Patent Rolls 1276. Mandate to Robert le Ball, City of Winchester, 20l., for a loan to the king (48 H. iii.).

27, Ed. i., 1290, Inq: p.m. on Wm. Balle of Sandy Acre, at Derby. Peter, his son, aged 24, next heir.



In the Calendar of Ancient Deeds there are instances of Balls having lands and houses in Herefordshire at an early period. In Liverpool, too, Wm. and Adam Ball appear as witnesses to several undated deeds of the time of Edwd. II. (Moore Papers).

1294. Dec. 12. Pardon to Adam Balle, of Lichfield, Chaplain, for death of a man unknown. 1283. 31 Decr., pardon to Thos. Balle, of Athelynton, for the death of Robert de Wydeford, whom he killed in self-defence. 1312. 10 Nov., London, to Thos. Balle, of Castle-framlingham, for various acts committed in Norfolk and Suffolk. 2 Sept., 1292, an appeal of John Ball, of Ely. 1327, 5th May, pardon to Benedict, son of Simon Ball of Hereford. Acc. to *Chronicon Angliæ* and Froissart, John Ball, priest of St. Mary's, York, and afterwards of Colchester, born about 1338, became a preacher of Socialistic and Wycliffite doctrines, and engaged in Wat Tyler's rebellion. He was executed at St. Alban's, July 15, 1381.

Calendar of Ancient Deeds, Vol. i., c. 912, 1450, "Release by *Cecilia Balle, broiderer*, Henry, Duke of Exeter, Anne, Duchess of Exeter, Richd. Caudray, and Thomas Mannyng, clk. of all actions," 18 Decr., 29 Hen. VI. Several Deeds of John Balle of Bradfield in Herefordshire, 12 Henry VI., 1433-4.

In Wales Reginald Balle was Constable of the Castle of Hope in Denbighshire in 26 and 27 of Edw. III. Robert Ball was appointed 29 Jan., 3 of Hen. 5, Keeper of the Forest of Roste in Hopedale.

The Town Records of Nottingham mention Elias Balle, Bailiff 1324; John Ball, 1407; Thomas Ball, surgeon, 1482, defendant in an action for the loss of a man's leg; Wm. Ball, Town Clerk, died 1573.

These fully illustrate the wide extent of the name in England in the 13th Century. We find, however, in Scotland the name in ancient days and up to late times is quite unknown in Records. But a similar name, viz., Bald, is, however, found there.

Turning now to Ireland, in Archbishop Alan's Register, par. 99a, is memo. of a grant by Barth. Hodges and Ysolda Ball, his wife, to John Russell, son of Golf the Miller, of 4a. arable land, called Culecrostin, lying between the lands of William le Brygge on the south, and Dovenaghbroke on the east. Paying to the Lord of the Fee 3d. per acre, and to Wm. B. 1d. per acre, annually (13th Century, *undated*).

The earliest mention of the name in Dublin is in a document in Dr. Gilbert's Cal. of Early Irish Documents, viz., the Roll of the Norman Citizens of Dublin, in probably the latter part of the 12th Century: "Radulphus Balle de Fornaiice." (Qu: if Furness in Lancs.).

In the time of Edward I., 1278, Sept. 17th, the King notifies to his bailiffs and subjects in Ireland that Theobald de Verdun (who had married the heiress of Hugh De Lacy), had attorned before the King, John Stub and Hugh Balle, in all pleas and complaints in Irish Courts. The King, at Theobald's instance, grants that John and Hugh may make attorneys for John, in the King's Chancery of Ireland. (Pat. Rol. Ed. i., 6). Shotwick. In 1396 William (styled) Balle was Bailiff of Drogheda.

In a Deed preserved among the Christ Church Deeds, Dublin, "Robert, son of John de Curroc, grants to the Canons of Lanthonie, near Gloucester, two shillings rent, payable by Ralph Balle for land in Drogheda towards Meath, held of Reginald the Miller, &c. Witnesses Ralph Balle et alii. circa 1260.

At an assize of fresh force before Wm. Symcok, Mayor of Drogheda, Robert Ball, &c., Sheriffs, and a jury 11 May, 1414, 2 Henry V., John, Prior of Llanthony, complained by his attorney that certain persons named had disseised him of a rent of 14s. from his tenement in Drogheda; 13 years' rent, £9 2s., being in arrear. It was adjudged to him. (Cal. of Xt. Xch. Deeds.)

In the Roll of Receipts for Mich. Term, 1290, is a receipt of Nicholas de Clere, Treasurer of Ireland, to *Stephen Balle*, for pledge of Richard Roy, to the amount of half a mark.

In 1291, May 29, Letters of Attorney in Ireland, for three years, are given under the name of *William Balle*, for Richard of Paris remaining in England. Norham, 19 Edw. I.

On the back of a Patent Roll of the first year (1400) of Henry IV., 20th July, it is stated that the King appoints *Roger Ball*, in the barony of Dundalk, to supervise the collection of the subsidy which they have granted to the bands of Uriel (Louth, &c.) to resist Nelan O'Neill, Captain of the Irish, &c.

In a Patent Roll of the fourth year of Henry IV. the King gives permission by letters of peace to leave the Kingdom at Atherdee, 4th December, to *John Balle*, and at Dublin, the 2nd of February, to *Richard Ball*, Chaplain; dated Conall, 7th March, 4th Hen. IV. (1402-3).

Also in a Patent Roll of the 3rd year of Henry VI. it is said that *Thomas Ball*, Merchant, is allowed to go in the King's service to England for France, with permission of absence for one year. This is dated Atherdee, May 1st, 3rd Henry VI. (1426).

In the Records of Christ Church, Dublin, the name of *William Ball* appears among the Canons in 1514, and Richard Ball, sub-prior in 1539, is appointed to the Rectory of Balgriffin, and again in 1541 he is sub-prior. A Richard Ball, of Balscadan, also called Villa Radulfi, was also a benefactor to the Convent, and Precentor after the Dissolution. A *John Ball*, Sub-Precentor and Sacrist, is made Treasurer and Rector of Balscadan, whilst in the Christ Church Obit Book, "Ricardus Balle of Ballischadan ob. qui. dedit priori et conventui xls. 1525."

*John Ball*, of Mellifont Abbey, monk, received in 1539 a pension of 40s.

In 1571 *William Balle* petitions Burghley for payment of money in Ireland.

In the Chartularies of St. Mary's Abbey, 1165, Account of Lands 1539 villata de Ballybaghill, Co. Dub. 21 tenements, held by Simon Ball and others by indenture: the sd. S.B. reddit unam alteram caretam ad ducendum foenum apud. Vill. usque ad dict. nuper Mon. precii in toto xis. viiid.—Parish of St. Michan's, Dublin.

That Wm. Ball holds at the same time for a term of years one house and pays p.a. ixs. 3d. In the Fiants of Elizabeth, 1602, 22 Novr., No. 6709, there is a pardon to Anne Warren, gent, of Balscadan, Co. Dublin, Owens, Kegan, Thos. Ball, Patrick Ball, &c., gentlemen.

No. 6605, 1602, 21 April, Grant to Michael Ball, gent, of a pension of 12d. per day, Eng., during good behaviour.

No. 3400, 1578, Captain Peter Balle of Causeton, Co. Meath, gentleman, a Pardon, 4 Aug.

In a List of Gentlemen of the Pale, 1596, published by Father Hogan, S.J., Richard Ball of Feydorffe in barony of Ratoath, Co. Meath, is mentioned (cf. Cal. Carew Papers).

In a mem. roll 2 Henry VII., Robert Báll, of Paynston et ors are called electors of Taafe of Co. Meath.

In 1573 Sir N. Arnold, in writing to Burghley, prays that John Rogers, who has recovered £80 against him on an obligation to *Walter Ball*, of Dublin, deceased, may be paid. This was probably a brother of Bartholomew Ball.

In 1584, William Ball, gent, petitions the Privy Council for payment of arrears of one Christopher Plunket, deceased. In 1596-7, there is a note in Cal. S.P., Irish Book of Payments, "Paid Thomas Ball for bringing the heads of 17 of Feagh McHugh's men to Dublin, by warrant XVth Decembris, 1596, £15.

A letter from Lieut. Thos. Ball, Aug. 11, 1597, to Piers Hackett from Reibane, where he was under Capt. Thos. Lee and Sir Conyers Clifford, fighting the O'Kellys under Feriagh McHugh.

These instances will show that right away from the Conquest by Henry II. the name was not unknown in the Pale of Ireland.

Much earlier than any of the above names is the mention in Domesday Book for Devon, p. 461, which may be rendered thus: "The King has 1 Manor, which is called Branton. To this is added 1 rood three p., which belonged to — Bal, Sheriff, on the day when King Edward, &c., value 20s. a year."

## CHAPTER II.

THE FAMILY OF BALL OF ST. AUDOEN'S PARISH, DUBLIN,  
AND  
SUBSEQUENTLY OF BALLYGALL AND BALLSGROVE.

This family, which was a prominent one in Dublin in the 16th and 17th Centuries, is the first whose pedigree can be clearly traced. This chapter is founded on the pedigree registered in the 14th Vol. of Ulster Office Pedigrees, which is drawn from the Funeral Entries, and the Visitations of the County and City of Dublin, together with old wills in the Irish Public Record Office. These have been supplemented by searches in the Irish Registry of Deeds, and the genealogical MSS. in the Library of T.C.D.; the Parish Registers of St. Audoen's, St. Mary's, St. Peter's, St. Thomas', and St. Michan's, Dublin, and of the Drogheda Churches have also been examined.

There seems to be some ground for believing the tradition that Robert Ball, Sheriff of Drogheda in 1414, who was concerned in obtaining the Charter for the town from King Henry IV., was the ancestor of the Ballsgrove family. According to Dalton's Hist. of Drogheda, vol. i., p. 170-1, there were continual jealousies between the Corporations on the Meath and Louth sides of the river Boyne, leading to bloodshed, and especially on one occasion when the bridge became the scene of a fierce fight. At length Father Philip Bennet, a monk of the Dominican Friary, invited the dissentients to hear him preach in St. Peter's Church, his text being Psalm 133, v. i: "Behold how good and pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." Then on his appealing to them: "Will



THE ARMS OF BARTHOLOMEW BALL.

ALDERMAN; BAILIFF OF DUBLIN, 1541-2.

MAYOR OF DUBLIN, 1553-4.





ye be united to the body of Christ?" one of them, Wm. Simcock, cried out in the name of all: "We will," and then it was agreed to transmit a petition to the King to consolidate the two bodies. This was signed by Nicholas Fleming, Archbishop of Armagh, and sent to London by the hands of ROBERT BALL, who brought back the Charter, dated 1412, whereby the Corporations were to be called the town of Drogheda, to be governed by one Mayor and two Sheriffs only. Wm. Simcock was elected first Mayor. It was probably a grandson of this Robert Ball, named John Ball, who in 1501 is said to have erected the Market Cross at his own expense.

THOMAS BALL, gent, of Stephenstown, in the parish of Balrothery, who may have been son of John Ball, of Drogheda, married about 1500, Margaret, daughter of Nicholas Bermingham, of the County of Meath, gentleman. Perhaps she was one of the family living at Rathroan, near Trim. This Thomas Ball is probably identical with Thomas Ball, "servant" to the seventh Earl of Ormonde, who in 1501 paid for the Earl 26s. 8d. rent for his lodging for a year in the Monastery of St. Thomas Acres in London. The Earl at that time was owner of Turvey, Rush, and Balscadden, lying in the same barony as Stephenstown (*cf.* Calendar of Ancient Deeds).

Thomas Ball, by his wife Margaret Bermingham, had issue, with others:—

BARTHOLOMEW BALL, who was born at Stephenstown, came to Dublin when seven years of age, and afterwards became a leading merchant and an Alderman of that City. He was Bailiff of Dublin from October, 1541, to October, 1542; in 1547-8 he was auditor of the accounts of All Hallow's Monastery, and in 1554-5 he was Mayor of Dublin, and Keeper of the Keys of the Treasury. On 2nd March, 1570, he was living in his house on Merchants' Quay (*cf.* Christ Church deeds, No. 1317). From the acts of the Privy

Council at Greenwich, 19 Jan, 1551-2, we find that a warrant was issued to pay to Tade Duff, Bartilmewe Ball, and James Sedgrave, mchts. of Ireland £600 in recompence of 800 pds. Irish by them delyvered in Ireland to Sir Wm. Brabazon, Knt., Vice Treasurer of Ireland.

Bartholomew Ball married, c. 1530, Margaret, daughter of — Bermingham of Corballis, in the barony of Skrine, Co. Meath, and his wife, Katherine\*, daughter of Richard de la Hide, of Drogheda. It is a misfortune that the will of Bartholomew Ball, alluded to in his son Walter's (1598) has not been preserved, as it would no doubt have given many valuable details as to the family.

Bartholomew Ball probably died about 1573, and, as we learn from the will of his son Nicholas, both he and his wife were buried in St. Audoen's Church, Dublin. In a Chancery Decree, 13 May, 1575, Margt. Bermingham, widow, and her sons Nicholas and Thos. Ball are plffs. From a document written by Father John Howling, of which the original Latin is given in the Appendix to this work, it appears that he had been in Dublin some time previously to 1583, and "had met bishops, priests, and literary men at the hospitable

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\* Katherine de la Hide had a royal descent from Edward I., as appears by the Stearne MS., F. 3—27 in Lib., T.C.D. She was daughter of Richard de la Hide of Drogheda, who married Margery, daughter of Robert de la Feld of Corduff, Co. Dublin, who was son of Robert de la Feld of Aylesbury, who married Eleanor, daughter of Thomas Butler, Chief Justice of Munster, 1380, and second son of James, second Earl of Ormonde, and his wife, Elizabeth Darcy.

James, second Earl of Ormonde, was the son of James, first Earl of Ormonde, who married, in 1328, Eleanor de Bohun, daughter of Humfrey, 4th Earl of Hereford, and his wife Elizth. Plantagenet, daughter of Edward I. The same is also found in MS., E. 3, 2, T.C.D., dated 1577, with the addition that John de la Hide was a son of Sir Walter de la Hide of Moyglare, who married in 1411 Elizabeth, daughter of Sir Christopher Preston of Gormanston, (cf. De la Hide Pedigree in the Appendix).

house of Mrs. Margaret Ball, a remarkable Catholic lady, who brought these gentlemen into her house, chiefly in order that by their example, arguments, and prayers they might bring back her son to the Catholic faith. She also trained and taught her servantmen and servantwomen in the doctrine and practices of that faith, and sent them to serve in the houses of divers gentlemen, where they won not only their fellow-servants, but also their masters and mistresses to the true religion. This worthy widow was twice flung into prison, the second time when her son was Mayor of Dublin. She died in her prison cell in the year 1584."

Bartholomew Ball and Margaret, his wife, had the following issue:—

I. Walter Ball, of Dublin and Drogheda, born about 1538, of whom after.

II. Nicholas Ball, of Dublin, born c. 1540, Master of the Merchants' Guild, 1584-5 and 1592-3, Alderman of Dublin 1574, Sheriff of Dublin 1570-71, Mayor of same 1582-83, M.P. Dublin City 1585; died 26th February, 1609-10, and was buried in St. Audoen's Church. His will, which is given in the Appendix, was proved in the Prerogative Court in 1610, and renewals of grants admon. were made successively to his son Bartholomew, and to his descendants, John, Rose, and Michael, down to 1688. The Dublin Corporation Records show that he held many houses and lands by lease from that city. An inquisition of his goods was taken at Kilmainham the 4th May, 12th Jac I. A second inquisition, taken at the Tholsell, in the City of Dublin, April 2, 1624, shows that "Nicholas Ball, late of Dublin, Alderman, was seized of one large house on the Wood-quay, one house in Bridge-street, one house in Corn-market, a portico and curtilage in High-street, and one water-mill in St. Patrick-street. The aforesaid Nicholas's son, Bartholomew, is heir, aged 44 years, and married."

Also from an inquisition taken in Co. Meath, 10th of

—, 1663, it appears that on the 20th Sept., 1636, it was found that "Nicholas Ball had been seised of the house and land of Lunderstown, or Londerstown, in the Co. Meath, containing 6 mes.' and 120 acres of arable land. Thus seised, Bartholomew Ball, son and heir of the said Nicholas, at Michaelmas Term, in the seventh year of the late King's reign, without obtaining the King's license, regained the premises with all belonging to the said Nicholas, by virtue of which the said Bartholomew Ball was seised of the premises in fee. The said Nicholas Ball died 26 years ago; the said Bartholomew Ball was then thirty (?), and married. The premises are held of the King-in-Chief by military service."

Nicholas Ball was married to Begnett Luttrell, probably a near relative of John Luttrell, who was Sheriff of Dublin 1567 and 1568, and whose interesting old cage-work wooden house in Cook Street, Dublin, was taken down in 1745 to make room for new houses. On an oak-beam over the door, and carried the whole length of the house, was the following inscription:—"QUI FECISTI COELUM ET TERRAM BENEDIC DOMUM ISTAM QUAM JOHANNES LUTREL ET JOAHANA [PENTO] NEI (?) CONSTRUI FECERUNT. A.D. 1580, ET ANNO REGNI REGINAE ELIZABETHAE. 22." They were scions of the old family of Luttrell of Luttrellstown, who traced a royal descent from Edward I., through Lady Elizabeth Courtenay, wife of Sir Andrew Luttrell. The will of Begnett Ball was proved 1619, but only a small fragment remains intact.

By Begnett, his wife, Nicholas Ball, who remained, like his mother, a staunch member of the Roman Catholic religion, had issue a son, named *Bartholomew Ball*, of Sprickleston, Co. Dublin, who was 30 years old at his father's death. He was admitted a freeman of Dublin 1585, and was for some time a student at Lincoln's Inn, in which he is enrolled under date 17th May, 1596. From Chancery Roll i. 58, Car. II.,

it appears that he was a gentleman "always loyal and faithful, and inoffensive, and acted nothing against the Ormonde interest, and that he died in November, 1643."

A second son of Nicholas Ball died in infancy.

Bartholomew Ball was married first to Jane, daughter of John Finglas, of Tobbersole, Co. Dublin, who died in 1618; and, secondly, to Anne Gough, of Dublin, who died 25th February, 1682-3, and on February 27th was interred in St. Audoen's Church, Dublin. Anne Ball, alias Gough, made application to the Court of Chancery for power to administer the goods, &c., of Bartholomew Ball, late of the City of Dublin, her deceased husband; and on the 5th of April, 1652, that Court appointed her to be administratrix, and accepted her as security.

From the old Vestry Book of St. Audoen's Parish, now in the Irish Public Record Office, we take the following items in the notes of assessment on parishioners for the Parson's stipend, 1635-6:—

Mr. Bartholomew Ball, 8s. od.; Ditto, 1636-7, 8s. od. The widow Ball, Schoolhouse Lane, 5s. od., 1644—5s. 6d. For re-edifying of the Church 1688, widow Ball 10s. od. It appears from the registers of St. Audoen's Church that at a meeting Novr. 17th, 1673, to arrange the tombs and stones in the Church after a restoration, a note was made as to the various stones, and that "Mr. Bartholomew Ball's stone lay neere Mr. Warren Westenra's seat, and Alderman [Robert] Ball's gravestone under the pulpit" (before the change) "and both are now placed in the North Alley."

By his first wife, Jane Finglas, Bartholomew Ball had issue four sons and three daughters, viz.:—I., Thomas Ball; II., Nicholas Ball; III., Matthew Ball; IV., John Ball; V., Begnet, wife of Matthew May, secondly of William Lattin, of Naas, died Sept. 27, 1678; VI., Catherine, wife of Patrick Seagrave, of

Killeglan, Co. Meath; VII., Jane, wife of George Tadpole, gt., of Dublin, 1645. By his second wife, Anne Gough, he had: VIII., Rose, wife of William Blackney; she was buried in the churchyard of St. Audoen's, Sept. 22, 1687. The name of one, Bartholomew Ball, appears in the Muster Roll, Dublin, April 26, 1644, as in Captain Peasley's Company. Of these

I. Thomas Ball, the eldest, born c. 1608, freeman of Dublin, 1652, being a Roman Catholic, in order to preserve his inheritance of Londerstown, sold it, according to the Survey Book, to his brother-in-law and sister, Matthew and Begnet May, and to Thos. Houghton. It contained 167a. 2r. 30p. In Roll vi., 63, of Chas. II., "Thomas Houghton, a Protestant, did exhibit his claim, setting forth that Thomas Ball, of Dublin, gent, owner in fee of the town and lands of Lunderstown, on the 13th April, 1654, did by deed for five shillings sell them for two years, and then for £40 did sell them for ever, but Thomas Houghton was expelled by the late usurped power because Thomas Ball was a Papist. A grant was made accordingly."

An interesting Chancery Decree, 3 July, 1656, in reply to a petition of Begnet and Rose Ball, daughters of Barthol. Ball, deceased, to recover £300 from Thos. Ball, their brother, and 3 others, states that whereas Thos. Ball says he has supported them for a long period, it appears that Rose Ball received from him in clothes to value of £4 2s. od., and hath been dieted 7 years, and Begnet Ball in clothes £5 7s. od., and hath been dieted 5 years. The rate of diet mean, and during that time they ministered as servants to debt. without wages. £5 per ann. enough for diet. The Plaintiffs were to have £17 16s. 6d.

It further appears that a deed was made by Thomas Ball, of the City of Dublin, gent, unto Robert Nevill of a messuage or house on the Wood-quay in Dublin aforesaid, divided into several tenements, dated the 17th day of September, 1653.

Thomas Ball fell gradually into difficulties, for in Roll i., 58, 15th year Charles II., we read that he pleaded before the Commission for Innocents, as against Capt. James Stopford and Thomas M'Gendral, defendants, that whereas in 1641, October 22nd, Bartholomew Ball, his father, was seized of houses, lands, and tenements of Bolton and Robinston, in the Parish and Barony of Kilsker, Co. Meath, also two houses in Pipe Street, and a house and entry and back-side in High Street, and of the town and lands of Milleston, and was dispossessed by the Rebels; and by the usurped power, of the Dublin houses and interests, "and whereas the defendant ought to have such premises of his deceased father, and whereas claimant always lived in Dublin, a native and freeman, but was dispossessed of all only one house, reduced to great want, and in a very starving condition, he claims to be heard. It appears he was and is an innocent Papist."

The court granted his claim for the High Street premises, but the others were left for recovery by law.

In the Vestry Book of St. Audoen's he is entered as living in Schoolhouse Lane, and in 1644 subscribed 4s. to the Parson's stipend. In 1648-9 holding the office of Sessor, he again subscribed 4s., and again in 1653.

On February 13, 1679, Thomas Ball (brother to Mr. John Ball) was buried in St. Audoen's Church. It is uncertain whether he was ever married. The burial of a Thomas Ball is recorded in St. Audoen's Registers on December 29, 1719, who must have been one of the family.

II. Nicholas Ball, second son of Bartholomew Ball, gent, born about 1610, is mentioned in his grandfather Nicholas's will, and is left the house built by him near Ormonde Gate. He lived at Landerstown, in the Co. Meath. By his wife Thomasin he had a son John and a daughter Anne. His prerog. will was proved by his wife 3rd of May, 1652. His son was probably married,

and had two sons. In the Matric. List of T.C.D. is the name of John, son of John Ball, gent, born at Trim, Co. Meath, in 1670, entered T.C.D. April, 1687. It was his will which was proved at Trim Feb. 25, 1735. He bequeaths lands to his daughter Amy Reynolds, and £30 each to his grand-daughters Margaret Reynolds and Susanna Ball. In 1660, Sept., Ann, daughter of Nicholas Ball, gentleman, was buried in St. John's, Dublin. A Nicholas Ball, who was probably son of John Ball of Landerstown, lived at Drogheda for a time, where on 15 April, 1677, Esther, daughter of Nicholas Ball, was christened, and on 4 March, 1678, Bartholomew, son of Nicholas Ball, was baptized. In the will of Michael Ball, son of John Ball, and grandson of Bartholomew Ball, pr. 1703, he gives to Grace Ball, Ellinor Reilly, and Joan Chapman certain legacies or keepsakes. They were evidently sisters, and were no doubt great grandchildren of Nicholas Ball of Landerstown.

On 9th April, 1705, Benjamin Jones and Grace Ball were married at St. Audoen's, and had one son named Benjamin, d.y. She married secondly Jonathan Swinburne, Tanner, of Blackpitts, Co. Dublin, and made her will 21 September, 1747. There was no probate, but the will is endorsed, 1759. She settled some property in Pill Lane, to vest on her decease in her nephew, John Ball.

John Ball, her nephew, born about 1710, a saddler by trade, was married in St. Michan's Church, Dublin, July 18, 1733, to Martha Stringer, and had issue three daughters, baptized in St. Michan's Church, viz.:—Dorothy, bap. May 22, 1736; Grace, bap. Aug. 19, 1739, md. Jacob Sherard, gent; Martha married Richard McGrath, mcht, of Dublin. John Ball's will was proved in 1759, and he was buried in St. Michan's churchyard. Admin. of the goods of his daughter, Dorothea Ball, spinster, was granted the same year to her sisters.



John Ball left to his wife and daughters a house in Pill Lane, two houses lately built in Summerhill, and a house in Capel Street, Dublin. In 1750 Nicholas Ball, victualler, was in possession of the Blackbird Inn in Henry Street.

This is rather a fragmentary account of the descendants of Nicholas Ball of Landerstown, but nothing more can be found.

III. Matthew Ball, the third son of Bartholomew Ball, gent, and who seems to have had land in Co. Kerry, appears to have died unmarried. His brother, John Ball, merchant, obtained grants of admon. in the Prerog. Court, 4th November, 1662, of the effects of Matthew, who died intestate, and also of part of the effects of his brother Nicholas.

IV. John Ball, merchant, of Schoolhouse Lane, Dublin, freeman of the city in 1641, and also of the Merchants' Guild same year, died in 1684; his will is dated 14th March, 1684, proved in the Prerogative Court. In it he desired to be buried in St. Audoen's Church among his ancestors.

His daughters, Elizabeth and Mary Ball, are left executors. His cousin, Robert Ball, of Ballygall, is one of the overseers to see the will carried out. He left £50 in charity. His house in the Cornmarket is mentioned, and £80 left to redeem a mortgage on it. He leaves his house in High Street, plate, linen, woollen, brass, pewter, &c., to his wife and two daughters. To his only son Michael he left the debt due on Irishtown in the County Dublin, he to pay the overseers of the will £10 in charity. His will was proved in 1685.

The name of Mr. John Ball also appears in the Vestry Book, as contributing, in 1665-6, the sum of 16s. to the assessment for repairs of the Church, and also in 1668, 10s. for the re-edifying of the Church. He was buried in St. Audoen's Church the 19th of March, 1684.

His funeral entry states that he married Katherine, daughter of Michael Browne, of Dublin, Sheriff of that City, who died the 4th April, 1640, and was buried on the 7th in St. Audoen's. Her sister was Elizabeth Browne, who married John Plunket, Esq., of Rathmore.

John Ball had by his wife Catherine two daughters, Elizabeth and Mary, and an only son, Michael, whose wife's name was Margaret; her surname is unknown. Michael Ball was appointed by Chancery on the 16th October, 1688, administrator of certain matters of the estate of his great-grandfather, Nicholas Ball, as natural and lawful descendant and nearest in blood.

There is also a notice of Michael Ball in a Chancery Inquisition taken in Dublin Tholsell, October 31, 1693, from which we learn that he as grandson and heir of Barthol. Ball claimed a certain messuage in the Cornmarket, Dublin, the house being forfeited by the outlawry of James Talbot, of Templeogue, who was seized of it.

In 1696 in a Chancery Bill Nicholas Barnwall, merchant, of Dublin, complains that "in 1685 Michael Ball, gent, being seized of the Rectory of Portrane and a chief rent from the lands of Bolton and Robinston, Co. Meath, and plaintiff being tenant of the Rectory at £15 a year, rent, Michael Ball being anxious to get money to relieve his necessity, and get out of gaol, agreed to sell for £172, and asked an advance of £80, &c."

The will of Michael Ball was signed and sealed the 27th of December, 1703. By it he bequeaths all his furniture to Mr. Symon Anyon, whom he makes executor and residuary legatee, and whose will was proved in 1730.

He gives and bequeaths to Grace Ball [his kinswoman] one of his gold rings; also Ellinor Reilly, Joan Chapman, and Grace Ball, his linen, equally to be divided; to Grace Ball his looking glass; £12 in charity; £3 to the poor.

He was buried in St. Audoen's Churchyard the 29th of December, 1703, having died of "ould age," according to the entry. His wife, Margaret Ball, had been buried in the same place, Nov. 10th, 1703.

One of his sisters, Mary Ball, married Richard Archbold of Eadestown, Co. Kildare, and brought the tithes of Portrane into that family. She is buried in Taney Churchyard.

In the Registers of St. Audoen's, besides those identified are the burial entries of Mrs. Ball, of Bridge Street, May 17, 1710; of Ball from James' Gate, Oct. 29th, 1733; and of Andrew Ball, of Bridgefoot Street, 10th April, 1739. There is, moreover, a marriage between Michael Ball and Ellen Gaffney, 30th of March, 1746; a Mr. Ball was buried on August 19, 1791, and another Mr. Ball on April 12th, 1793.

The descendants of Nicholas Ball's son and grandsons can be no longer traced. He left, however, five daughters, viz. :—

1. Jane Ball, married, firstly, Robert Cusack, of Garrison, who died Dec. 8th, 1597, leaving one son. She married secondly Richard Ussher, of Santry, the senior member of the whole Ussher family, who died the 18th August, 1615; she died 26th July, 1641. Her eldest daughter, Margaret, married Edmund Malone, Alderman of Dublin, who died 1635, leaving one son and eight daughters, the fourth of whom, Frances, married Richard Dillon of Clonbrock.

2. Elizabeth, wife of William Dungan, receiver of the first fruits, a widow, 1607, buried in St. John's, Dublin, 15th February, 1650-1.

3. Agnes, first wife of Captain Sir Edward Trevor, of Rostrevor.

4. Margaret, wife of Robert Ussher, of Santry, eldest son of Richard Ussher above mentioned.

5. Katherine, wife of John, son of Patrick Browne, of Dublin, Alderman, died 3rd November, 1616.

III. Thomas Ball, admitted freeman of Dublin,

1587, third son of Bartholomew Ball, Senior, Mayor of Dublin, died without issue 29th of October, 1595. He was a Barrister-at-law, and Counsellor to the Citizens of Dublin; at Michaelmas, 1588, "he was appointed Treasurer of the city for the year, and was to receive the rents and profits thereof, for which he was to be accountable without supers, except such as be desperate." He married Jane, daughter of Michael Penteney, of Dublin, Alderman, a descendant of Ralph de Repentini, one of the companions of Earl Strongbow, and was buried in St. Audoen's Church, 3rd of August, 1595. Admon. of his goods was granted to Walter Ball and Walter Segrave in October, 1595, he having died intestate.

IV. Katherine, daughter of Bartholomew Ball, Sen., and wife of Thomas Shelton, of Dublin, merchant.

V. Elinor, daughter of Bartholomew Ball, Sen., wife of Walter Segrave, of Dublin, Alderman, and died 10th December, 1621.

The eldest son of Bartholomew Ball, Sen., and his wife, Margaret Bermingham, viz.:—

WALTER BALL, of Dublin, and Ballygall in the Parish of Finglas, Sheriff of Dublin, 1572, Alderman, 1573, Mayor, 1580-81, who died 8th of December, 1598, was buried in St. Audoen's Church, the 10th of December, 1598. His will, which is given in the Appendix, was proved in the Dublin Diocesan Court, same month. By it he bequeaths to his wife his house on Merchant Quay, the Park of the Inns, the Nutpark, and the taking in Finglas and Ballygall. After her death he leaves them to his son Robert, to whom he leaves with other property his house in Drogheda. To his sons, Ned Ball, George Ball, and John Ball, £300 each. Inquisitions of his lands taken in Dublin, 11th May, 43rd year of Elizabeth, and in Drogheda 27th February, 42nd year of Elizabeth, are given in the Appendix. The Corporation Records of Dublin, too, show that he held much land, and many houses from

the city. A Chancery Decree, 1586, in which he was Plaintiff, and Thomas Duff, Mayor of Drogheda and another, defendants, says:—

“That the Complainant shall hold and enjoy the Priory of St. John’s, lying and being by Drogheda and within Co. of the same, with the precinct and Demaynes thereof within the said franchises being manured and used by any the said Priors before the suppression of the same for the maintenance of their hospitality, freely discharged and acquitted of all and singular coss, imposition or charge whatsoever of the said Mayor, Commonalty, Incorporation or their successors and officers for time being, and that the said Priory and the precinct thereof together with the ancient demesnes shall henceforth be a place privileged and free from bearing either scott or &c., in form and manner as all other the like religious houses within Dublin City or elsewhere.”

Walter Ball took a great interest in the foundation of Trinity College, Dublin, for the building fund of which he was one of the collectors; and on December 29, 1592, an order was issued by Queen Elizabeth, by the grace of God, &c., to our beloved, Walter Ball of Dublin, Alderman, Wm. Ussher, and John Terrel of the same, gentlemen, greeting, touching All Hallows’ Monastery, that they were to take possession for the College. He left in his will the reversion of 40 marks to maintain 4 scholars to the College, and two of his sons, George and John, were among the first students. He was Master of the Trinity Guild of Merchants in 1593-4, 1596-7, and 1598-9.

Walter Ball married Elinor, daughter of Robert Ussher, Esq., Sen., of Santry, Alderman of Dublin, by his wife Margaret FitzJohn. She died the 5th of December, 1613, having married as her second husband Dr. Robert Conway, Master of Chancery, and as her third husband Sir John Eliot, Knt., Baron of the Irish Exchequer. As Mayor of Dublin, 12th March, 1581-2, he convicted Walter Curren of stealing 2 oxen, but Pardon was afterwards granted to the delinquent.

On 10th April, 1581, Walter Ball and John Ussher, Aldermen, were appointed Commissioners of Ecclesiastical Causes. Father Hogan, in “Distinguished

Irishmen of the XVIth Century," quotes a letter which says that "in 1599 Walter Ball, a Dublin Alderman and persecutor of his own mother and of the priests of God, with a company of searchers, was looking for a holy and famous Franciscan, and a Jesuit. *Being disappointed, he went mad, died breathing blasphemies, and went to join in Hell all the other persecutors of priests.*"

As Walter Ball's will breathes a spirit of sincere piety, and he was no doubt an earnest adherent of the Reformation, the present writer has sometimes felt inclined to ask the good Father whence came the curious bit of information thus acquired as to the end of Walter Ball, and to point out that he died in 1598, and not in 1599.

Walter Ball had issue by Elinor Ussher, his wife, four sons and two daughters, viz.:—

Firstly, Robert Ball, of Dublin and Ballygall, born 1572, of whom below.

Secondly, Edward Ball, of Bride Street, Dublin, born c. 1579, admitted freeman of Dublin 1601, Sheriff of Dublin 1610-11, Alderman 1616, Mayor 1621-2, died 1st December, 1625, buried in St. Audoen's Church. He married Ales, daughter of Nicholas Weston, of Dublin, Alderman, Mayor in 1608, and of Anne Segrave, his wife, by whom he had an only child and heir, Anne Ball, born in 1609. Edward Ball was Warden of the Merchants' Guild 1611-12, Master 1623, 1624.

By an Inquisition held at Trim, the 14th of June, 1640, it appears that "Edward Ball seised in fee of half the tithe called 'the long tithes of Ratoath,' had died (over) ten years ago. Ann Ball his daughter was 16 years old at the time of her father's death, and not married. The premises are held of the King as of his Castle of Dublin."

The will of Edward Ball was proved April, 1626. He left to his wife, Alson Weston, his dwelling-house



PHŒBE, WIFE OF ARCHBISHOP JAMES USSHER,

DAUGHTER OF REV. LUKE CHALLONER AND HIS WIFE  
ROSE, DAUGHTER OF WALTER BALL, MAYOR OF DUBLIN.

(From a painting by Sir Peter Lely, formerly at Shotover House, Oxford.)

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in Bride Street, also legacies to his brothers John and Robert Ball, and to his nephews George and Richard Ball. [The absence of his brother George's name seems to shew that he was dead.] His daughter was sole heir. The will is fully given in the Appendix. On July 14, 1662, Alson Ball als Weston, relict of Edward Ball, stated that the moiety of the long tithes of Ratoath enjoyed by her before the late wars and also of late were worth very little, and she appeals to Chancery, &c. Anne Ball, daughter of Edward, married a man named Dillon, perhaps that Thos. Dillon, who was apprentice to her father. Her will (Prerog.) was made 9th October, 1657, pr. 5 June, 1661. In it she desires to be buried in St. Audoen's Church, Dublin. Mentions her two daughters, Amy and Alice Dillon, and her son, Talbot Dillon, who with testatrix's mother, Alice Garland, als Ball, als Weston, is appointed Exor.

Thirdly, George Ball, student in "the new college" of the Holy Trinity, near Dublin, in 1607, student at Gray's Inn 1610, probably deceased before 1625.

In the Particular Book of Trinity College, Dublin, edited by Dr. Mahaffy, it is mentioned that Messrs. James and Ambrose Ussher in 1605 paid Commons for "Ball."

Fourthly, John Ball, gent, living in 1649, ordered in his father's will to be put to school in "the Colledge," died unmarried c. 1650.

Fifthly, Rose Ball, wife of Revd. Luke Challoner, D.D., one of the Guisboro family, and prominent in the foundation of Dublin University. She died 26th October, 1604, of the plague, with all her children but one, and is buried in the Chapel of Trin. College. They had an only surviving child, Phœbe Challoner, who became the wife of the learned James Ussher, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of all Ireland, and kinsman of her grandmother. By him she had issue a daughter, Elizabeth, who married Sir Timothy Tyrrell, of Shotover, Oxon.; portraits of her, by Lely, and of

her husband (from the Bodleian picture) are published in this work.

Sixthly, Katherine Ball, wife of Patrick Segrave, of Killeglan, Esq., died 30th September, 1633. There were two other sons, who died in their infancy.

ROBERT BALL, the above-mentioned eldest son of Walter Ball, born in Dublin in 1572, was Sheriff of Dublin 1600-1, Alderman 1604; on the 20th November of the same year he was elected Mayor of Dublin, in place of John Shelton (who was removed four weeks after his election for refusing to take the Oath of Supremacy), and held office for the remainder of Alderman Shelton's turn. He was again Mayor in his own turn 1609-10.

In 1596-7, 16th March, there was an explosion of gunpowder at "the Crane" on Merchants' Quay, at the corner of Wine Tavern Street. An examination was held before the Mayor, in consequence of the loss to life and property, at which among others Robert Ball, of Dublin, gave testimony, for which cf. Gilbert's Hist. of Dublin. He died the 25th January, 1635-6, and was buried in St. Audoen's Church. He was probably the "Alderman Ball" whose gravestone lay near the pulpit before 1673, and after that in the North Alley.

From the Patent Rolls of Jac. I. we find that on February 24, the 6th year of that King, a grant was made to George Sexton and two others, of forfeiture, &c., incurred by the intrusion of heirs, and alienations of lands without license of Robert Ball, Alderman, of Dublin, during his minority. And also in 1603 a livery of lands to Robert Ball, Alderman, son and heir of Walter Ball, deceased, was granted for a fine of £100 on the 26th April, in said year, &c.; livery of the lands, &c., of which Walter, died seized—saving for this turn the advowson of any churches now vacant and the homage due in their behalf.

In Roll VIII., p. 20, 1622, it is recorded that Robert Ball was Mayor of the Staple of the City of Dublin.



JAMES USSHER,  
ARCHBISHOP OF ARMAGH AND PRIMATE OF ALL IRELAND,  
HUSBAND OF PHOEBE CHALLONER.  
(From a portrait taken in 1644, in the Bodleian Library.)

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He was Master of the Merchants' Guild, 1601-2, 1602-3; Warden, 1607-8, 1611-12, 1614-15, 1616, 1621, 1622. Also in a Chancery Inquisition, taken in the Tholsell at Dublin, by the Mayor, on the 11th April, 1633, it is stated that "Rob. Ball of Dublin, Alderman, was seised of 'the Monastery' called 'the Whete Fryers of Dublin,' containing one large mansion-house, two gardens, four messuages and ten acres of land, and of two messuages and two gardens in Sheepestreite (Shipstreet). The same Rob. and Jana Usher, late his wife by a deed of indenture dated 29th Novr., 1616, between the said Rob. and Jana on the one part, and Francis, baron of Longford, Rad.' Leventhorp of Dub. and Thos. FitzGerald of the same, on the other part, granted the premises to the aforesaid barons, his heirs and assigns for his and their use, by virtue of which the aforesaid Baron was seised of the premises, as the law requires, &c."

Alderman Robert Ball was married, firstly to Jane or Jenet, eldest daughter of Henry Ussher, Archbishop of Armagh, before December, 1598 (*cf.* Inq. Walter Ball). She died the 5th June, 1620, having resided with her husband at Ballygall House, Finglas, which is still existing, though the property was sold by George Ball in the 18th century, and the top story has been taken down. There is a tradition that James II. slept a night in it during his march past Dublin. Robert Ball married, secondly, Margaret Barry, daughter of Richard Barry, Alderman of Dublin, and widow of Nicholas Kerdiffe, sergeant-at-law. She had a good deal of litigation with the Guardians of the different minors, after the death of her step-son, William Ball, in 1649. She died in 1650, and by her will proved that year, desired to be buried with her first husband, N. Kerdiffe, in St. Mary's Chapel of Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin. Even after her death the litigation in Chancery was continued by her Administrator down to 1674.

The will of Robert Ball was proved in 1635, and is given in the Appendix. To his wife, Margaret Barry, he left the farm of Ballygall for her life; to his son, William, the lands in Drogheda, and in the counties of Louth and Westmeath, the houses, lands, &c., in the city and suburbs of Dublin; also Baltray, &c., Finglas, Glasnevin; to his sons George and Richard £150 each; to his daughters, Margery, Eleanor, and Elizabeth, £150 each; his son and heir, William, was to be bound to Robert Ussher, D.D., Bishop of Kildare, and his son-in-law, Nicholas Browne, in the sum of £1,000 for the use of his said children. The witnesses are Robert Ussher, Nicholas Browne, Thomas Ormes, and John Kerdiffe.

Robert Ball by his first wife, Jenet Ussher, had issue:—

I. Walter Ball, born 1603, died without issue, unmd., v. patr.

II. WILLIAM BALL, of Ballygall, Esquire, second son and heir, student, Leyden Univ. 1633, a Captain in Lord Castlestewart's Regt. of Foot, also Barrister-at-Law, M.P. for the borough of Kells, Co. Meath, 16th August 1642 to 1649; born 1606, High Sheriff, Co. Dublin, 1643; died 10th October, 1649; prerog. will pr. 11th Decr., 1649, of whom below.

III. GEORGE BALL, Esq., of Dublin, born after 1607, mentioned in his father's will in 1635, died in 1636, in which year his widow is mentioned in St. Audoen's Vestry Book. He married Jane, daughter of William Rowles, Esq., who was probably a native of Staffs., and on May 22, 1601, was granted the office of Collector and Receiver of all fines, Ecclesiastical Commissions and the Prerogative Court E., at £40 per ann. He was one of the original Corporation of Newcastle Lyons, and M.P. for that borough. In 1630 he was appointed a Corn Commissioner for the Counties of Dublin and Kildare. There are letters of his, addressed to Sir Philip Percival, in the Egmont MSS., Hist. MSS.

Com. Report. William Rowles was married to a daughter of John Lutterell of Dublin, merchant. She died 10 Decr., 1625, leaving issue, Henry, Nicholas, John, Thomas, Jane, Mary, and Sibilla. By Jane Rowles his wife, George Ball left one child, Robert Ball, eventual heir of Robert Ball, Alderman, and of Capt. Wm. Ball.

IV. Richard Ball, Esq., born after 1608, named as Alderman of Dublin in the inquisition of Walter Segrave, reign Chas. I., but it is probably an error. He was admitted to the freedom of the Merchants' Guild, Dublin, on April 9, 1632, after serving apprentice to Robt. Barnwall. He was probably the Richard Ball who married Ann Salisbury, of St. John's Parish, Dublin, in that church on August 19, 1632, and had issue—1, Elizabeth, bap. 11 August, 1634, buried May 22, 1653; 2, John Ball, bap. 9 Feb., 1639, buried St. John's 16 May, 1642; 3, Jane, bap. July 3, 1642. Mrs. Ann Ball was buried in St. John's, July 11, 1642, and Richard Ball was buried 1 September, 1651.

V. Mary Ball, born 1602, wife of James Kerdiffe of Killamanagh, in County Dublin.

VI. Margaret Ball, married about 1631 to Henry Bennett, of Dublin, Merchant, younger brother to Thomas Bennett, Clerk of the Decrees of the Court of Chancery, and 4th son of John Bennett, Esq., of Sanghall Massey, Cheshire. She had issue Elizabeth and others.

VII. Margery Ball, wife of Thomas Dowding, of Dublin, gent, secondly of Richard Burder, merchant, by whom she had two daughters, Frances and Mary, cf. St. John's Registers, Dublin. She was buried in St. Audoen's Church April 2, 1688.

VIII. Eleanor Ball, died unmarried.

By his second wife, Robert Ball had one daughter, Elizabeth, who married Nicholas Browne, by whom she had two children, Robert and Alice.

William Ball, the eldest surviving son, and heir of Robert Ball, Law Student of Leyden Univ. and Barrister, in December, 1642, was a Captain in the Army in Ireland, and received £22 7s. od. as seven days' pay to his foot Company (Cal. Ir. S.P.). He took a leading position in the Irish Parliament. In the journals of the House of Commons, Dublin, we read that on the 16th of August, 1642, William Ball took the Oath of Supremacy, as M.P. for Kells—nor was he the first M.P. of the family. His grand-uncle Nicholas Ball, Esq., Alderman, was M.P. for the City of Dublin in 1585.

Wm. Ball was one of a committee of seven to find out the lands and rents of rebels in the County and City of Dublin, and to present the same, and desire them for the College.

In 1642, Decr. 12th, William Ball was on a committee of eighteen to consider a Bill touching the Powers of Testators, and to report to the House; and a Petition of the Protestant inhabitants of Dublin on the abatement of rents was referred to a Committee, including Mr. William Ball, which was continued for one month.

In 1645, November 18, in a debate on Fr. Taylor's Petition, Mr. Wm. Ball moved and called for the statute, as, in his opinion, against it.

26th March, 1647, Mr. Ball was on a committee concerning the case of William Roberts, Ulster King-at-Arms; also 29th April he was on a committee on the answer of Francis Peisly, M.P. On the 3rd May, 1647, he was one of a Committee to declare the privileges of the members of this House, that they be not "billeted-with" soldiers in their houses or lodgings. Item, he was on a Committee to draw up a message to the House of Lords concerning Mr. Cosny Molloy, M.P.; also 7th May, 1647, to draw up a Vindication of Cosny Molloy, M.P., as to his holding converse with the rebels, his letters having been brought to Lord Lambert, the Governor. May 21st, 1647, Wm. Ball,



Esq., and others were absent at call, and had to pay the Sergeant-at-Arms one shilling apiece.

May 29th, 1647, he was on a committee to peruse Bills transmitted out of England to this House, and from time to time to do the same. The 11th June, 1647, as it was said there were Papists in the House, and that the Speaker wished there were more, Wm. Ball and others were appointed a Committee to draw up an instrument in behalf of the Speaker, and explain his words. The Parliament was prorogued to 15th June, 1648, and to 27th March, 1649, before which date the Kingdom was overthrown and the King beheaded.

William Ball, while living at Ballygall, married Ellinor, daughter of Christopher Bisse, Esq., Second Remembrancer of the Exchequer, and sister of John Bisse, Lord Chief Baron. She was buried at St. Audoen's, 3rd February, 1679. By her he had issue:— I., Charles, who died unmarried; admon. of his goods granted 1666. II. Christopher Ball, died intestate; admon. granted August, 1663, to his aunt, Margery Dowding. III. Elizabeth, died intestate; administration, August, 1663. All three died before Decr., 1653, of Chancery Bill, and Decree 1655.

The name of Captain Wm. Ball appears also in the Vestry Book of St. Audoen's. In 1644 he was one of the Sessors, and paid 12s. to the parson's stipend; in 1645 he was an overseer for the poor; in 1646 he signed the Vestry Book; in 1647-8 Wm. Ball, Esq., was again a Sessor. He then is said to have lived in Cook Street, and paid 12s. towards the parson's stipend.

In his will, proved 11th Decr., 1649, he bequeaths to his son and heir, Charles Ball, the inheritance derived from his father; failing issue, to his second son, Christopher Ball, and for lack of issue to his daughter, Elizabeth; for lack of his children's issue, to Robert, son of his deceased brother, George. To his daughter he left a diamond ring and "the wedding ring which was her mother's." The residue, with the

old silverplate, to his son. His brethren, John Bysse, Recorder of Dublin, and John Exham, of Dublin, and John Ball, his uncle, were appointed Executors, and John Exham guardian to his sons.

On the decease of all his children without issue, his nephew, Robert Ball, son of George, succeeded under his uncle's will to the estates in 1652.

In that year it was ordered by the Commissioners of Justice at Dublin that in answer to her request, Jane\* Ball of Dublin, widow and relict of George Ball, gent, deceased, late brother to Wm. Ball, Esq., deceased also, should be Tutor to her son Robert, an orphan, nephew and next heir to Wm. Ball, and that for the better management of the estates her sister Sibilla Taylor, widow, may be joined with her in the guardianship of the orphan. Jane Ball must have died that year or the next, as Mrs. Margery Burder, Capt. Wm. Ball's surviving sister, obtained a grant admon. of the goods of Robert, Wm., Charles, Christopher, and Elizabeth Ball deceased, on the 16th May, 1653, and with her was joined her husband Richard Burder.

ROBERT BALL, of Dublin, Alderman, and, after, of Ballygall, Finglas, finally of Drogheda, Esq., was born c. 1635, and died intestate May, 1699. He married

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\* When the first edition of this work was published in 1887, it was found impossible to say who Jane Ball was, but since that time, although there is no marriage licence or entry to be found, nor will of either George or Jane Ball, a Chancery Bill, 24 Decr., 1653, supplies the missing evidence. The Decree, 31 July, 1655, states that Margt. Ball, widow, or her exor. was plff, and John Exham, Robert Ball, Henry Rowles, Sibilla Taylor als Rowles, Richard Burder and Margery his wife, and others were defts. The Petition was to recover £184 15s. od. out of the lands of Robt. Ball, decd., bequeathed to Wm. Ball, decd. Now in describing a wife or widow, her married name always came first; and her maiden name or alias, after. So that Henry Rowles and Sibilla Taylor were brother and sister of Jane Ball. This agrees with the funeral entry of Mrs. Rowles, in which Henry and Jane are two of the children, the name of Sibilla either being omitted or Mary written in mistake for it.

on April 24th, 1671, Anne Desminieres, widow of John Partington, goldsmith, of Dublin, and daughter of John Desminieres, Esq. (Alderman, Lord Mayor of Dublin, 1666) by his first wife, Katherine Billy. John and Lewis Desminieres had accompanied their father, Robert Desminieres, from Rouen. The Pedigree of this family is given in the Appendix. By her first husband, John Partington, Anne Desminieres had a son William, Doctor of Physic, and Surgeon of the 9th Regt., known as Norris's Dragoons.

In 1673 Robert Ball was High Sheriff of the County Dublin. In 1681 "Squire Ball paid £1 in Tithes at Finglas. He removed from Dublin to Ballygall, where we find he was dwelling when his eldest surviving son George was born. From Add. MS. Brit. Mus. 28,688, fo. 42b., we learn that—

I. *Robert*, his eldest son, died an infant, born c. 1673, buried at St. Audoen's.

II. *George*, his second son, was born 19th April, 1676, buried at St. Audoen's, Dec. 7, 1678.

III. *John*, his third son, was born 1677, and buried at St. Audoen's, May 16, 1679.

IV. *George*, his fourth and eldest surviving son, acc. to T.C.D. Matric. List, was born at Balligall in 1678-9, and educated at Pontana, or Drogheda School, whence on Jan. 26, 1695-6 he entered T.C.D., but his name does not appear as a Graduate.

V. *John*, his fifth and second surviving son, was born at Balligall 20th Decr., 1681, and d. 1755.

VI. *Charles*, his sixth son, and third surviving, was born 1683 at Balligall, educated at Drogheda, under Mr. Walker, and entered Trinity College, March 26, 1700, where he graduated B.A., 1704.

1. *Jane*, born 9th April, 1672, eldest child, married Edward Dudgeon, of Dublin.

2. *Anne*, born 5th October, 1674, third child, married Capt. Paul Espinasse, of Dublin.

Robert Ball seems to have moved from Ballygall to

Drogheda between 1692 and 1699. A Chancery Bill, Jany. 1693, of Robert Ball, Esq., of Ballygall, says that in Decr., 1684, Samuel Desminieres, lately deceased, borrowed £100 from Robert Mason, of Dublin, gent; Robt. Ball, and James Gardien lately deceased, became bound for Saml. In Jany., 1687, he repaid £55 in part payment and afterwards as R.B. believes, other sums. Now the said Robert Mason requires Robt. Ball to pay.

Robert Ball died intestate at Drogheda, and was buried at St. Audoen's, Dublin, 1st June, 1699. His widow, Anne Ball, 3rd July, 1699, took out a grant of administration and tutelage of her younger children, John, Charles, Jane and Anne.

Of these,

John Ball, born 1681, second surviving son of Robert Ball, entered the army; for in a deed in the Irish Registry of Deeds, dated 1713, Lieut. John Ball was guardian to Isabella, daughter and heiress of his half-brother, Wm. Partington, and held Newtown, Co. Meath, as mortgaged for £1,000 due by Henry Meredyth of said place. In his burial entry, he is styled Captain John Ball, and he left his steel-mounted sword, inlaid with gold, to John Ball, his brother Charles' second son. In the notice of his death in Faulkner's Dublin Journal, he is called "Capt. John Ball, of the late General Churchill's Regt. of Dragoons. He served under Queen Anne, King George I., and the beginning of his present Majesty's reign." In 1715 he was on the half-pay of Colonel Charles Churchill's Regt. of Foot (*cf.* Brit. Mus. Add. Mus. 29, 880), the Coldstream Guards. He must have been present at Blenheim and all the other great battles of Marlborough.

In 1722, when living at Finglas, on July 10th he married Miss Elizabeth Duclos, at Finglas Church. She was the youngest daughter of the Revd. Chancellor Paul Duclos, a Huguenot, Rector of Rathdowney,

Queen's County, by Frances Massiott of Shandon. He had one daughter, who d. young, and was buried at Finglas, March 13th, 1738. Capt. Ball afterwards bought a house in Bolton Str., Dublin, where he died in 1755, on Sunday, March 9th. He was buried in St. Audoen's Church, March 11th, 1755. His will is a voluminous document, dated 1750, 8th Novr., with a codicil, and contains much interesting information. In the codicil he desired "to be buried after a very private manner," "that my body be not buried until four days after I am dead, except it visibly corrupts sooner, that I be carried to my grave by the first light in the morning, summer or winter, in an hearse attended by two mourning coaches, that the clergyman who officiates have a guinea instead of a scarf, and the sexton, if he makes my grave eight feet deep, to have a guinea;" bequeaths to the Charity School of St. Audoen's £10; [this is written on the Board in the Tower entrance]; to nephew Robert Ball his gold watch, seal, and picture; to nephew John, 2nd son of his brother Charles, his steel mounted sword inlaid with gold; leaves house in Bolton Str. to his brother George, his brother's wife Mary, his brother's sons John and Charles, and his brother's daughters with all the furniture and plate in it; Deborah Ball now Johnston, daughter of his brother Charles, bound apprentice to Mrs. Margaret Johnston, milliner in Capel St., to whom "I paid thirty guineas as an apprentice's fee, but in a few days the aforesaid Deborah absented herself from her said mistress, and was married to Samuel Johnston, gent [of the County Fermanagh], the said money is lost to her or any of her friends.

He gave to William Green and Francis Forster, of Dublin, gents, his estate in towns and lands of Logadowding, Dowdingstown, and Tipperkevin, in County Dublin; also the houses, &c., in Cook Str., Skipper's Lane, and Fishamble Street, as follows—

From Logadowding and Dowdingstown £100 per ann. to be drawn until it was £1,200. Then £400 each to be paid to Charles, George, and Edward, younger sons of brother George, when they are 23. Subject to this he left those lands to Robert, eldest son of George; failing issue, to John Ball, George's 2nd son; failing issue, to George Ball, eldest son of Revd. Chas.; failing issue, to John Ball, 2nd son of Revd. Chas.; and their male heirs lawfully begotten. He says: "I bequeath Tipperkevin, which I bought in 1744 for £4,000 from Maurice Eustace, Esq.; to use of John Ball, second son of George Ball; in default of issue, to George Ball, eldest son of Chas.; failing issue, to John, 2nd son of Chas."

The estate of Tipperkevin after the death of John Ball, 2nd son of George in 1820 without male issue surviving, came to Henry Ball, eldest son of George Ball, eldest son of Revd. Chas. Ball. Henry Ball, being tenant in tail, on his marriage in 1821 barred the entail, and in 1858 left it to his two daughters, who gave it to their brother George by deed, who, dying unmarried in July, 1884, bequeathed it once more to his sisters.

Jane Ball, the elder daughter of Robert Ball and Anne Desminieres, was born 9th April, 1672, and married by license to Alderman Edward Dudgeon at St. Audoen's Church, 6th July, 1714. In 1745 Alderman Dudgeon, who was a brewer, was elected Lord Mayor, but paid a fine, and retired, having previously served, in 1731-2, as Sheriff; he was elected Alderman 1735; died 19 July, 1754.

Anne Ball, the second daughter of Robert and Anne Ball, married by license Paul de l'Espinasse or Espinasse, a native of Languedoc, who had a brewery in Rainsford Street. He arrived in Dublin 1689, and died 1740. Miss Ball was his 2nd wife.

Revd. Charles Ball, youngest son of Robert and Anne Ball, who graduated B.A. 1704, was ordained

Deacon at Dublin on Decr. 21, 1707, and was probably priested by the Bishop of London. He died in 1758, aged 75. When the first edition of this book was published, the present writer could not trace Revd. Chas. Ball as having held any curacy or preferment in the Church of Ireland, but some years after, when living in America, he examined a MS. Journal sent to a cousin in Albany, U.S.A., from Dublin, in which the author, Robert Jas. Ball, says that his father told him that his grandfather, Revd. Chas. Ball, was a Chaplain in the Royal Navy. Acting on this statement the present writer had searches made in the Public Record Office, Chancery Lane, and found that there was a Warrant, dated 24th Novr., 1710, for Mr. Charles Ball to be Chaplain to the Hampshire, and in 1713 to the Squirrel.

As he could not be traced further in the log-books, it is thought he must have retired in 1715, on the proclamation of peace, and settled in Dublin. He certainly lived in Rainsford Street, Dublin, from 1724 onwards, as a number of leases made by him attest. He probably married about 1725; the exact date and place of the marriage is unknown, but his granddaughter, daughter of his son George, stated that he married Miss Ellinor Thomas, daughter of Captain Thomas, R.N. He mentions his wife in his will proved 1758, and in a Deed June 13, 1771, Ellinor, widow of Revd. Chas. Ball, decd., gave certain houses in Dublin which her husband had left her to her eldest son George Ball, of Castle Bellingham. She was buried in St. Audoen's Church, May, 1788.

An article in the Dublin Penny Journal, 1832-3, p 270, says "Of the houses of Queen Anne's reign built in Dublin, we have even whole streets remaining, of which Rainsford Str., in the Liberty, once the abode of a great portion of the wealth and respectability of the City, affords the most striking example."

Revd. Chas. Ball, died April, 1758, at his house in

Rainsford Str., and was buried in St. Audoen's Church the 27th April. In the burial entry he is styled "Revd. Dr. Ball," but this was perhaps from courtesy. His will was proved the same day in the Prerogative Court. By his wife Ellinor he had issue:—

I. George Ball, born 1726, became an Exchequer Court Attorney before 1755, and married Novr. 1st, 1758, at Carrickmacross, Miss Poole, daughter of Samuel Poole, Esq., of that place, "a most agreeable young lady with a large fortune" (Pue's Occurrences). By her he had one daughter, married and had a daughter who married Mr. Eiston. In 1771, according to the Deed above-mentioned, he was of Castle Bellingham, where he probably had a country house.

On March 31, 1759, he received the appointment of Commissary of the Musters in place of Chudley Dering who had resigned. This post he held till his death. He resided at 75 Dorset Street, and on 14th October, 1791, married secondly in Dublin Miss Henrietta Pearce Willington, of the Castle Willington family, by whom he had issue four sons and five daughters:—

I. Henry Moreland Ball, born 1792, of whom below.

II. George Ball, went to America, where he married and died, leaving issue.

III. Charles Ball, died at Sierra Leone.

IV. Faviere Francis Ball, bapt. St. George's, Dublin, July 27th, 1803, d.y.

1. Harriet, born 1795, died 1882. 2. Maria Araminta, married Capt. Henry James Pountney, 1823. 3. Charlotte Eliza, married Dr. Gilbert Wakefield McMurdo in 1824. 6. Jane, died 1866. 7. Louisa Henrietta, born 29 October, 1805, died 1888.

George Ball, Commissary of the Musters, died in Dorset Str., Dublin, and was buried in St. Thomas' Churchyard, Dublin, March 13, 1816, aged 89. His will was proved same year.

Henry Ball, his eldest son, who was first a clerk in the Muster Office, on succeeding his father's first



cousin John Ball of Glasnevin, in the Tipperkevin estate, under the will of Capt. John Ball (1755), married in 1821 Jean, daughter of Capt. Eiston, late of the 70th Regt. of Foot, and of Kersie Bank House, Stirlingshire, by whom he had issue three children, viz.:—

I. George Henry Willington Ball, Captain in the East India Company's Forces, who through sunstroke was retired, and lived unmarried at Llandudno, where he died in July, 1884.

2. Catherine Elizabeth Ball, married Robert Stevens of Antrim, and d.s.p. 1905.

3. Elizabeth Henrietta Ball, who married, 18 June, 1852, the late Theobald George Samuel Wolfe, Esq., of Bishopsland and Forenaughts, Co. Kildare, J.P., who died 12 January, 1872, leaving issue:—

I. Richard Wolfe, of Forenaughts, eldest son and heir, M.A., LL.B., Trin. Coll., Dublin; born 6 July, 1855, Senior Lieut. Royal Scots Greys, was killed at Abu Klea, Soudan, 17 January, 1885, unmarried.

II. George Wolfe, now of Forenaughts and Acomb Priory, York, formerly Lieutenant 8th Hussars, married Oct. 25, 1888, Emily Maud Mary, widow of J. J. Leeman, M.P. for York, and only child of the late R. Smethhurst, of Ellerbeck Hall, Chorley, Lancs., and has issue one daughter, Emily Maud.

III. Elizabeth Caroline Wolfe, married 14 April, 1884, at St. Ann's Church, Dublin, Wm. J. R. Rainsford, Lieut.-Col. R.A.M.S., eldest son of the late Capt. Wm. R. Rainsford, of Cradockstown, Co. Kildare, and has issue. (cf. The Wolfes of Forenaughts, by Lieut.-Col. R. Wolfe.)

II. Deborah Ball, born c. 1735, married in 1755, to Samuel Johnston, gent, of the Co. Fermanagh.

III. John Ball, of Dublin, born about 1738; his name appears in the Roll of the Merchant Guild of Dublin as "John Ball, Attorney, 1st Jan., 1761"; in the Dublin Directory of 1787 as "John Ball, Attorney, K.

65, Dorset Str." On May 8, 1765, having become previously examiner of the Spirit Books belonging to the Revenue, he married at St. Mary's Church, Dublin, Christian, daughter of Henry Standish, Esq., and his wife Susanna. Mr. Standish, who lived in Bolton Str., Dublin, was the owner of Rathbeggan, County Meath, which he inherited from his brothers, his father, James Standish, being son of James Standish, who was a midshipman on the *Triumph* 1659, and was nephew and heir of James Standish (*cf.* Memoir in *Journal R.S.A.I.* 1889), of Dublin, and afterwards of Hatton Garden, London, Vice-Treasurer of Ireland under the Commonwealth. James Standish was one of the junior scions of the Standishes of Duxbury Hall, Lancs., as appears by the arms and crest on his seal, attached to letters in the Brit. Mus. and the Bodleian Library. John Ball in later years moved to Digges Str., and then to Camden Str., Dublin, where he died in 1807, at the age of 68, and was buried on March 25 in the Standish vault in the annex to St. Kevin's graveyard, known as "the Cabbage Garden." His will, proved April, 1807, shows that he bequeathed a good estate to his three sons.

By his wife, Christian, who decd. in 1806, and was buried in the same place 3rd of Novr., he had issue:—

I. Henry Ball, of Hollybrook, Clontarf, County Dublin, born about 1766, attorney-at-law, who Oct. 20th, 1801, married Lucinda, daughter of — Ward, Esq., at St. Ann's Church, Dublin, and by her had issue:—1, John Charles Ball, bapt. St. Peter's Dublin, 23 Oct., 1807, d.y. 2, Lucinda Mary, bapt. St. Peter's, 19 Aug., 1810. 3, a dr, d.y.

Henry Ball lived for some years at Chester, and died in 1851. His will was proved by his widow, Lucinda Ball, who died in 1857, leaving her property in trust to E. J. Smith, of Rutland Square, Dublin. He and his wife are buried in "the Cabbage Garden."

II. Susanna Ball, born about 1767, married Novr., 1783, at St. Mary's, Dublin, Capt. Richard Jennings, and had issue.

III. Christian Ball, bapt. St. Peter's, Dublin, 27 July, 1770, buried there from Garden Lane 29 April, 1785.

IV. Robert Ball, of Digges Str., Dublin, and afterwards of Rathfarnham, bapt. at St. Peter's, Dublin, 30th Novr., 1774, his godfather being his father's first cousin, Robert Ball, of Ballsgrove, Drogheda, who on his way home was thrown from a chaise in Capel Street and broke both his legs, an accident which eventually was the cause of his death. Robert Ball studied at King's College, Edinburgh, and became a Solicitor in 1795; he married in October, 1795, Elizabeth, daughter of Alderman Peter Alley,\* of Bishop Str., Dublin, and had issue:—

1. Robert James Ball, born 1798, B.A. Trin. Coll., Dub., 1823; who for many years in London and then in Dublin was an Instructor in Public Reading and Elocution, and was the author of a very useful work, "The Notation of the Liturgy." He died in 1878 in Dublin, and is buried at Mount Jerome Cemetery. He possessed a most remarkable memory, and could deliver, without effort, all the speeches of the great Parliamentary orators, such as Pitt, Fox, Burke, Sheridan, and also many others, together with the masterpieces of the great English poets. His system of teaching Liturgical Reading was perhaps the best ever devised. He married 1 Sept., 1838, at St. Andrew's Church, Holborn, Sarah Jane, daughter of Mr. James Johnstone, of London, a grandson of Sir

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\* Peter Alley was son of George Alley, the eldest son of Revd. Peter Alley, Junr., Rector of Donoughmore, Queen's County, who again was son of Revd. Peter Alley, Senr., Rector of Kilrush, Co. Kildare. Revd. Peter Alley, Senr., was grandson of Jerome Alley, gent., son of Wm. Alley, D.D., Bishop of Exeter, 1560—1570, who translated the Pentateuch in the Bishop's Bible.

David Johnstone, of Piercy Hall, Annandale, (who pre-deceased him), and by her had issue:—(1), Emily Sarah, born 1842, d.s.p.; (2), Eliza Jane, born 1844, resident near Albany, U.S.A.; (3), Edith, born 1844, married Henry Cleave, of Windsor, and afterwards of Buenos Ayres, now deceased; she lives at 553, Calle Uruguay, Buenos Ayres; (4), Mary Ellen, born 1845, married her first cousin, Capt. William Johnstone, R.E., who died leaving her a widow, s.p., she resides at Maidenhead; (5), Louisa, born 1849, married Robert James Mouldsdale, merchant, of Buenos Ayres, 19 Sept., 1878, and died s.p. 15 May, 1896. Mr. Mouldsdale resides at Delgarno, Colwyn Bay, Wales; (6), George Henry Ball, born 1 Feby., 1851, went to Canada, and was a Volunteer in Wolseley's famous expedition to Fort Garry (now Winnipeg), he afterwards settled in U.S.A., and entered Dun's well-known Mercantile Agency as an employé, he subsequently joined a similar and equally well-known one, Bradstreet's, and has been for many years Superintendent of it for the Northern Counties of New York. He resides at Menands, near Albany. He married, April 14, 1879, Frances E., daughter of Alexr. Witbeck, a descendant of one of the original Dutch Patroons at Fort Orange (Albany).

He has issue by her five sons, viz.: [1] Robert James Ball, b. 1880, Superintendent of Bradstreet's Agency, Elmira, N.Y. [2] George Henry Ball, b. 1881, deceased 1900. [3] Percyval Ledger Ball, b. 1883, of Albany. [4] Harold Eric Ball, b. 1884, of Albany. [5] Donald Standish Ball, b. 1887, of Albany.

(7) Arthur Ball, of Brooklyn, New York, born 1 Jan., 1856, in Dublin, married Amy Moffatt of London, and has issue: [1] Maud. [2] Thomas Ball.

Robert Ball, Solicitor, of Digges Str., who died July, 1862, aged  $87\frac{1}{2}$  years, and is buried at Mount Jerome, married, secondly, Editha, daughter of Thomas Gurly, J.P., of Carlow and Wexford, by his



ROBERT BALL, OF DUBLIN  
(1774 to 1862).  
(From a painting by Miss Hamilton )



GEORGE HENRY BALL,  
OF ALBANY, NEW YORK STATE U.S.A. GREAT-GREAT-GRANDSON OF  
THE REV.D. CHARLES BALL, CHAPLAIN R.N.  
AND OF BALL'S GROVE, DROGHEDA.



wife Elizabeth, daughter of Joshua Tench, Esq., of Wexford. They were married on June 10, 1802, at St. Mary's Church, Dublin. By her, who died in 1844, he had issue:—2. Jemima (Jemma) Ball, born April 24, 1803, in Dublin, married 11th April, 1825, at St. Peter's Church, Dublin, Thomas Nisbett Wright (eldest son of Stephen Bennet Wright, of Foulksrath Castle, near Ballyragget, Co. Kilkenny), and by her had issue seven sons and two daughters, viz.:—(1), Stephen Bennet; (2), Robert Ball; (3), John Wilson; (4), Thomas; (5), Meade Nisbett; (6), Emma Edith; (7), James William; (8), Revd. William Ball Wright (the present author); (9), Lucy Olivia Wright. (*cf.* Pedigree in the Appendix.) Mrs. Jemima Wright als Ball died at St. Ann's Vicarage, Birkenhead, April 13, 1869, and is buried in Claughton Cemetery, Birkenhead.

3. Editha Ball, born April, 1804, married in 1831 Francis Penrose Cherry, of Waterford, and afterwards of Birkenhead, who pre-deceased her. She died at Birkenhead Feb. 17, 1893, in her 89th year. She had issue by Mr. Cherry: (1), Mary Cherry, of Boscombe; (2), Louisa Cherry, of Boscombe; (3), William Cherry, Cotton Broker, of Liverpool, decd., married Miss Emily Lees, and had issue two sons, Malcolm and David.

4. Christiana Ball (Kitty), decd. in Australia, having married John Alexr. Palmer, of Co. Dublin, in 1829, and had issue, Katherine, John, William.

5. Thomas Ball, twin brother of Christiana Ball, B.A., Trin. Coll., Dub., Solicitor, of Summerhill, Dublin; married in 1838 his first cousin, Mary Campbell, daughter of Surgeon T. Young, 10th Regt., and his wife, Mary Gurly, and died at Kingstown, Ireland, in 1859; he is buried at Mount Jerome. His widow, after his death, settled at Capetown, near her husband's brother, Capt. W. W. Ball, and died there in 1870.

Thomas Ball, of Summerhill, had issue by his wife, Mary Campbell, two sons and two daughters, viz.:—(1) Wm. Chas. Ball, of Capetown, born 1840, deceased

s.p. 1903, married Emily Glenwright, of Simonstown, Cape Colony, who survives him.

(2) Mary Jane Ball, Maritzburg, born 1843, married James Walton, of Natal, who died 1904, and by him has issue: Campbell, Eustace, Donald and Hubert (twins), Edith, Ethel, Florence, Norah, m. Raymond Hooper, of Durban, Muriel.

(3) Thomas James Ball, born 1847 in Dublin, went as a child to Capetown, and has been engaged in banking at Kimberley, Port Elizabeth, and Johannesburg. He is now J.P. Witwatersrand and Transvaal. He married, in 1880, Jessie Philipson, daughter of the late Frederick Stow, of Dutoit's Pan, Cape Colony, and sister of the late Sir F. Philipson Stow, Bart., of Petsworth, and has had issue five children, viz.:— [1] Nora Frances Campbell Ball, died 1882. [2] Thomas Campbell Ball, died in a railway accident near Durban, 1895. [3] Harry Standish Ball. [4] Robert Walton Ball. [5] Jessie Aisleen Standish Ball.

(4) Editha Ball, deceased at Capetown, youngest child of Thos. and Mary Ball.

5. Maryanne, born 1807, died in Dublin 1886, and was buried at Mount Jerome.

6. William Walker Ball, of Capetown, born Dublin 1810, matric. Trin. Coll., Dublin, and after two years became a Midshipman in the Indian Navy. When that was broken up, he joined the P. and O. Steam Company, and afterwards was engaged as a Captain in the East India and China trade, on his own account. He eventually settled at Capetown long before the opening of the Suez Canal, and became a successful merchant. He died there in 1877.

He married at Capetown, in 1843, Eliza Legge, youngest daughter of Wm. Tollemache Parke, of Capetown, whose mother was daughter of John Talmash, of New Place, Ipswich (d. 1777), son of Nicholas Talmash, who was believed to be son of Hon. Capt. Wm. Tollemache or Talmash (d. 1691), youngest





MRS JEMIMA (JEMMA) WRIGHT NÉE BALL.  
(From a Miniature by Samuel Lover, 1833.)



CAPTAIN WILLIAM W. BALL,  
LATE OF CAPETOWN, SOUTH AFRICA.  
(Born 1810, died 1877.)



son of the famous Duchess of Lauderdale, Countess of Dysart. By her, Capt. Wm. Ball had issue, viz. :—

(1) William Curraghmore Ball, born 1844, d.y.

(2) Anne Elizabeth Ball, born 1846, married, firstly, 1861, Surgeon-Major Alexr. Wm. Atkinson, M.D., Bengal Army, decd., and had issue : Sub.-Lieut. Alexr. Wm., R.N., perished in H.M.S. Wasp, Sept., 1887, in a typhoon in the China Seas. She married, secondly, 1872, Major Archibald Ernest Arbuthnot, Madras Cavalry, grandson to the late Field-Marshal, Viscount Gough, by whom she has issue three sons and one daughter, viz. :—

(a) Editha Gertrude, born 1873, married, in 1903, Basil Stephenson, Esq., of Shanghai.

(b) Archibald Hugh, born 1875, Capt. in H.M. 59th Scinde Rifles, married, 1899, Gertrude Alice, daughter of Revd. F. C. Green, and has issue 3 sons.

(c) Ernest Kennaway, Lieut. R.N., born 1876.

(d) William Patrick, born 1878, Capt. Royal M.L. Infantry; married, 1904, Olive, only daughter of Hon. Justice Gregory, of the High Court, Sydney, N.S.W., and has two daughters, Olive Joan and Patricia Gwynn.

(3) Editha Jemima, born 1848, married William Frederick Mills, of Capetown, in 1872, and has issue

(a) Frederick Ernest Mills, born 1873, of Seapoint, Capetown, married, 1901, Ethel Maud Taylor, and has issue Helen Calverley, Joan Calverley, Norah Calverley. (b), Blanche Helen. (c), Spencer Daniel Walker. (d), Rupert Ball. (e), Emily Florence. (f), Jessie Edith. (g), Harold Alexander.

(4) William Robert Ball, of Capetown, born 1853, married, 1885, Frances Alice, daughter of J. H. Robinson, of Blackburn, Lancs., and has issue Dorothy Maude, Kathleen Mary, Arthur Shirley.

(5) Mary Isabella, born 1850, married, 1886, late Col. J. W. Pearson.

(6) Emily Lydia, born 1855, married, 1879, Col. C. F.

H. Spencer, formerly of the Inniskilling Fusiliers, grandson of the 1st Lord Churchill, and has issue one son, Francis Elmhirst, born 1882, Lieut. R.A.

(7) Arthur Hedley Vicars Ball, born 1857, of Port Elizabeth, S. Africa, married, 1894, to Margaret, 2nd daughter of the late Revd. R. Wickham Legg, and niece of Dr. Wickham Legg, the noted Liturgiologist; and has issue, Phyllis Mary, Richard Wykham, Emily Cherry, Arthur Chatterton, William Osborne.

(8) Florence Victoria Nightingale, married to F. S. Lamont, and has one son, Rollo Bedar.

(9) Jessie Campbell Ball, of Pretoria, unmarried.

(10) Robert Edward Ball, born 1862, manager of late Cecil Rhodes' fruit farm; married to Annie, eldest daughter of H. Newman, and has issue, Robert Wardroper, Norah, George Danford, Shielah.

(11) Albert Thomas Ball, of Bloemfontein, Orange River Colony, Insurance Agent, born at Capetown, 8th Feb., 1864, married 28 March, 1894, Martha Hendrina, daughter of Jan Jacobsz, Esq., of Gevelhaus, district of Senekal, Orange River Colony, and has issue:—(1), John William Ball, born 26 Jan., 1895; (2), Jessie Editha Ball, born 30 August, 1897; (3), Aletta Eliza Ball, born 1st Novr., 1899; (4), Albert Robert Ball, born 20th June, 1902.

(12) Nina Alexandra Ball, married to John Mosse Wright, C.E., of Claremont, Cape Colony, eldest son of the late Robert Ball Wright, J.P., of Foulksrath, Co. Kilkenny, Ireland.

Mrs. Eliza Legge Ball, widow of Capt. W. W. Ball, lives at Erin Cottage, Wynberg, Capetown.

Robert and Editha Ball, of Dublin, had issue:—7, Maria Louisa Ball, who went to America, and died unmarried at Sacramento, California, June 1, 1855. 8, Elizabeth Ball, born Decr., 1814, married Wm. Cherry, of Croywell, New Ross, Co. Wexford, in 1836 (brother to her sister Editha's husband), by whom she had issue:—(1) Wm. Cherry, of New Ross, retired

Brigade-Surgeon in the Army, married Margaret Helen Maxwell, daughter of Hugh Maxwell, of Cawnpore, and has issue Norah Helen; Constance Mabel; Hubert Maxwell, decd.; Apsley Dunbar Maxwell; William Norman Lyndon; Arthur Maxwell; Kathleen Lilian, decd.; Ralph Eric Maxwell.

(2) Arthur Ball Cherry, born 1843, of New Ross, decd., married Charlotte Catherine, daughter of Edward Carr, and left issue: Eileen, Sarah, Henrietta, Wm. Arthur, Mary. (3) Helen, of Greystones. (4) Frances, died 1907. (5) Edith, died 1904. (6) Lily, married Lyndon Irwin, decd.; she died 1906, leaving issue two sons and one daughter.

We now return to John Ball, of Dublin, and his wife, Christian, who had issue:—(v.), Elizabeth, bapt. St. Peter's, Dublin, 12 Jan., 1777, d.y.; (vi.), Charles, a wine merchant at Teneriffe in 1807, who was killed by falling from a cliff.

Having now traced out all the descendants of Revd. Chas. Ball, R.N., and his wife, Ellinor Thomas, we return to the senior branch of the Ballsgrove family.

GEORGE BALL, Esq., born 1678, of Ballygall, Co. Dublin, which he sold in 1725 to John Cuthbert, lived for some years in Bolton Street, Dublin, while the house at St. John's, Drogheda, to which he gave the name of Mount Ball, but which was afterwards named Ball's Grove, was being built. This is said to have been erected from plans of Sir Christopher Wren. George Ball was High Sheriff of Co. Louth in 1722, married about 1725 Mary, daughter of Peter Roe, Esq., of Drogheda. By her he had issue:—I., Jane, born 12 Jan., 1726; II., Anne, born 29th Jan., 1727, buried in St. Audoen's, from Drogheda, 6th April, 1732. III., Mary, born Feb. 23, 1728, d.y.; IV., Robert, born June 9th, 1729, of whom below. V., John, born Sept. 24, 1730; VI., Alice, born Dec. 8th, 1731, died unmarried; VII., Charles, born Dec. 8, 1733, died unmarried. The baptism of all the above seven took

place in St. Mary's Church, Dublin. VIII., George, born at St. John's, Drogheda. IX., Edward, born at Drogheda. X., Wilhelmina, born at Drogheda.

By "Pue's Occurrences" for 1740, we learn that great rejoicings took place at Drogheda on July 12th, 1740, "upon Vernon taking the Castle of Chagre; the town had a vast quantity of cannon fired, and *was answered by the cannon of George Ball, Esq., from St. John's, &c.*" It is probable, therefore, that George Ball had removed to Drogheda finally, when the present house on the summit of St. John's Hill was completed in 1734. An interesting extract from a letter of Mrs. Delaney, written from Mt. Panther, 25 June, 1752, thus describes it:—

"We then descended and went quite through the town, which is large, and went to what are called 'Ball's Walks.' You wind up a very steep hill (which otherwise would be insurmountable) planted with trees—some in walks, others in groves, so that part of it looks like a thick wood; on the top is a long level walk, with old trees on each side of it, and at the end a pretty, clean house and spruce garden full of flowers, which belongs to Mr. Ball, who is so obliging to the town as to permit that fine walk to be a public one, and it is *the Mall* of Drogheda. The view from it is surprisingly beautiful. At the foot of this fine hill winds the River Boyne, &c." (cf. vol. iii., 134—5, *Life and Letters of Mrs. Delany*. In John O'Keeffe's "Recollections" (1826) is a like account).

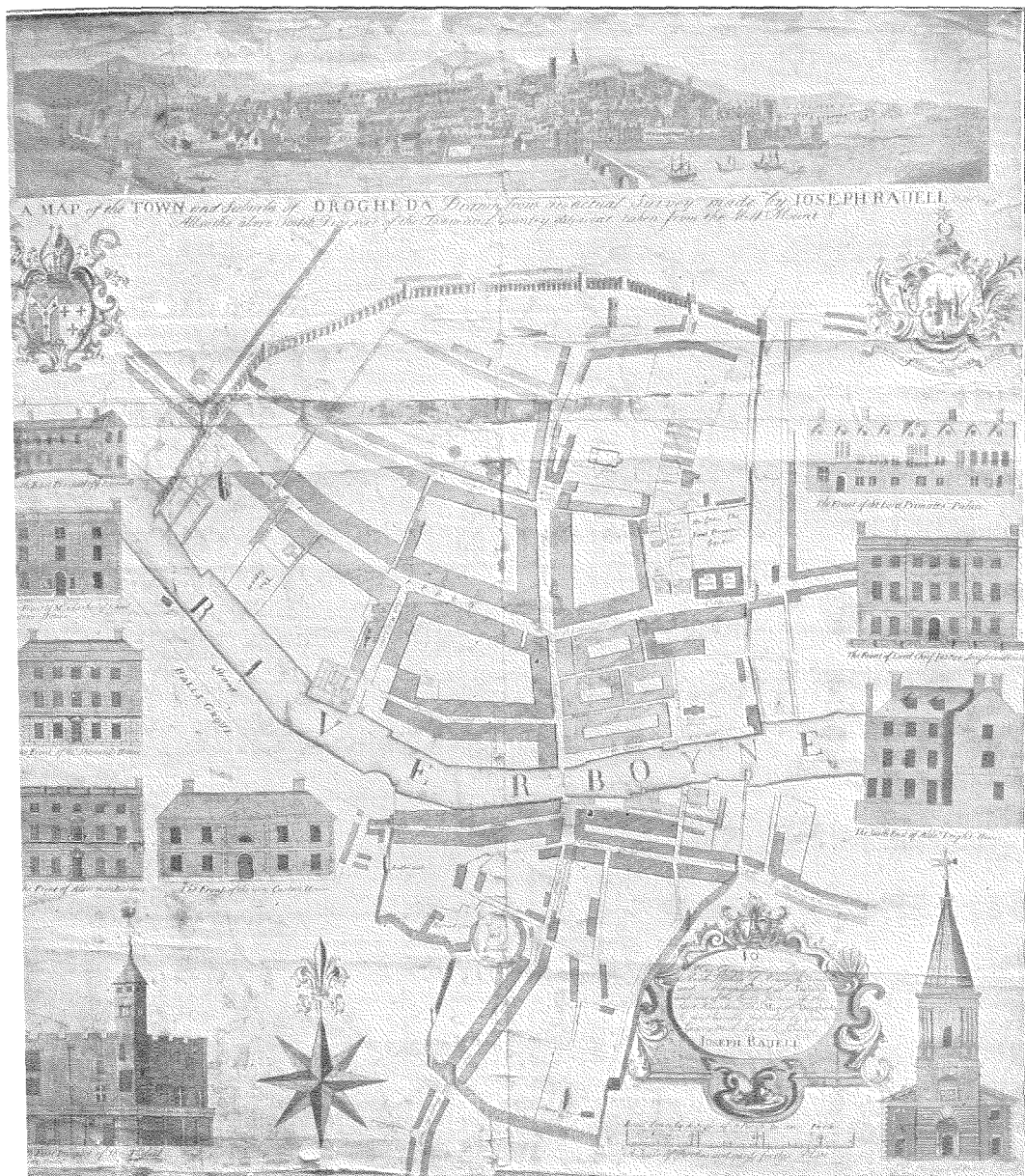
George Ball died at Mount Ball in 1760, and was buried July 8th, in the old family burial place in St. Audoen's Church, Dublin, with his brothers and ancestors.

His will was dated 4th June, 1757; proved in the Prerog. Court 6th August, 1760. His widow, Mary Ball, having been left a house in Bolton Str., Dublin, by Captain John Ball, took up her residence there, and dying in 1771 was buried in St. Audoen's Church.

Of the issue of their marriage —

I. Jane died unmarried, and was buried in St. Mary's Churchyard, Drogheda.

V. John Ball, the second son, lived first at



## MAP OF DROGHEDA IN 1749

(SHOWING BALL'S GROVE ON THE LEFT).

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Termonfeckin, Co. Louth, and married, by Dublin Diocesan License on 2nd August, 1761, Margaret, daughter of Brabazon Newcomen, Esq., of Collinstown, Co. Louth. He afterwards removed to Glasnevin-road, where he lived to 1821, when he died, and was buried in St. George's Churchyard, Dublin, near his wife and some of his children. His will was proved November 21, 1821. His wife, Margaret, died the same year. Her will is dated 23 January, 1821. They had three children:—1, John Ball, deceased, and probably buried at St. Audoen's Aug. 19, 1791, Captain in the 5th West Indian Regt., left a daughter, Jane Ball; 2, Mary Ball, insane; 3, Margaret, deceased before her mother; she married, 1807, Joseph Pasley, of North Frederick Street, Dublin, and had a son Joseph.

VI. Alice, died at Drogheda, and was buried at St. Audoen's (aged 23 years), Sept. 27th, 1754.

VII. Charles, died at Clontarf, unmarried. Admon. of his goods granted to his mother, Mary Ball, 2nd March, 1764. He was buried in St. Audoen's Church 3rd March, 1764.

VIII. George Ball, of Eastham, near Drogheda, born c. 1738, at Drogheda, received his first commission 14th December, 1759; he was Captain in Montague's or the 59th Foot Regt., in which he was present at the battle of Bunker's Hill. He married Margaret, daughter of Richard Orson, of Tallonstown, Co. Louth, and widow of Robert Donaldson, Esq., of Possextown, Co. Meath, whom she had married in 1771, bringing him £3,000 fortune (Faulkner). George Ball had issue by her three sons, George, Robert, and John, and four daughters, Margaret, Mary, Jane, and Eliza. Captain George was made Freeman of Drogheda, 1796, and died in 1830. His will, dated May 11th, 1818, was proved in the Prerog. Court, 29th April, 1831. Of his sons,

1. George Ball, his eldest, Captain in the 4th Dragoons, freeman of Drogheda, 1807, married Dorothea, daughter of James Gorham, Esq., of Asdee,

near Tarbert, one of the Gorham family of O'Brennan, Co. Kerry. He afterwards became a Stipendiary Magistrate in the Colony of Demerara, where he died.

Captain George Ball, Junr., had issue by his wife, two sons, viz.: (1), George Ball, sugar planter, of Demerara, who died unmarried in that colony, 1898; (2), James Ball, d.y.

2. Robert Ball, freeman of Drogheda, 9 Oct., 1812, second son of Capt. George Ball, of Eastham, was a Captain in the 27th Regt., and afterwards resided at Queensborough, near Drogheda, of which town he was Sheriff in 1831, and Mayor in 1840. He was twice married, first to Jane, daughter of John Hackett, Esq., by whom he had an only daughter, Eliza Jane, who married C. C. FitzGerald, Esq., of Templemore, in 1852, by whom she had two sons, Robert Ball FitzGerald, and Chas. Ball FitzGerald, decd. She was born 3rd April, 1830, and died April 1, 1857, aged 27, and is buried in Templemore Abbey, Co. Tipperary.

Robert Ball, who had taken the name of Ball-Hackett, married, secondly, Miss Margaret Murray, of Co. Louth, by whom he had:—

(1) William Ball, of Killineer, Co. Louth, Freeman of Drogheda, 16 July, 1863, d.s.p.; (2) John Ball, d. June 8, 1908, of Melbourne, Australia, married and has issue: Frances, Wm., Saml. John, Mary, Caroline, and Adelaide; (3) Caroline Ball, married Capt. Thomas Fairtlough, of Drogheda, and had issue Caroline Elizabeth, who married George De Belle Ball in St. Clement's Danes, London, 23rd Augt., 1885. They live at Drogheda; (4) Frances Ball, of 8, Belgrave Road, Rathmines.

3. John Ball, Adjutant of the 92nd Highlanders, died in Jamaica. 4. Margaret Ball, died unmarried. 5. Mary Ball, died unmarried. 6. Jane Ball, married George Greene, Esq., Surgeon, of the City of Dublin, by whom she had six sons, Frederick, George, John Ball, Robert, Hugh McNeile,



CAPTAIN GEORGE BALL, OF BALLSGROVE,  
DROGHEDA,

IN 59TH REGT. AT BUNKER'S HILL (1740 TO 1830).

*By permission of Lady Ball Greene.]*



Henry Leland; and three daughters, Mary married Richard Brassington, both deceased; Margaret, decd., and Eliza.

Of these, Sir John Ball Greene, C.B., J.P., G.E., of Dublin, Chief Commissioner of Valuation in Ireland, and Chief of the Boundary Department of the Ordnance Survey of Ireland, third son, now deceased, married, firstly, Ellen, daughter of Surgeon Wesley, R.N.; he married, secondly, Charlotte, daughter of the late Henry Courtenay, Esq., of Newry. By his second wife, the present Lady Ball Greene, of Greystones, he had issue Maud-Ball; Hilda-Ball; George-Courtenay Ball Greene, B.A., Trin. Coll., Dub., Barrister-at-law, married 1907 the widow of the late Val. Prinsep; Henry-Leland.

Hugh McNeile Greene, fifth son of Jane Greene als Ball, daughter of Capt. George Ball, married in 1857, Dora, second daughter of Dr. Robert Boughton, of Demerara, and had issue Frederick Edward, died 1895; Robert Boughton, died 1899; Dora Jane, died 1906; John Hamilton, died 1900; George Ball, Principal Clerk in B. Guiana Secretariat, and Private Secretary to the Governor, Sir Frederic Hodgson; also four daughters, Dora Jane, May Henny, Flora Elizabeth, Mary Edith, all married.

4. Eliza, fourth daughter of Capt. George Ball, of Eastham, married Major P. Wilkie.

IX. Edward Ball, youngest son of George Ball, Esq., of Ball's Grove, Lieut. in the 59th Regt., 1763, and afterwards of Donover, Co. Meath, freeman of Drogheda, Jan., 1787, was three times married; firstly to Bridget, daughter of — Plunket, Esq., of Co. Roscommon; ML. 14 April, 1774, probably buried at Finglas June 9, 1779. He married, secondly, Mary Anne, daughter of John Chamney, Esq., of Plattin, Co. Meath, and of his wife, Sarah Van Homrigh, sister of "Vanessa," and, thirdly, Catherine, daughter of Ephraim Cuthbert, Esq.

Edward Ball had by his first wife a son—

George Ball, Captain in the 18th Dragoons, aide-de-camp to Sir John Moore at the battle of Corunna; freeman of Drogheda, 4 May, 1810, who married Miss Curtis about 1799, and by her had issue three sons, viz. :—

(1) George Ball, died unmarried.

(2) Godfrey Massy Ball, born 1801, of Ballynakill, Co. Limerick, then of Newtown, Plattin, Co. Meath, died Jan. 1, 1895, at Kilworth, Co. Cork; he married firstly Mrs. Mary Preston, widow, of Bellinter, daughter of Godfrey Massy, Esq., of Ballinakill, Co. Limerick, and Jane Ball, his wife, by whom he had issue two sons, George Joseph Dickenson Ball, d.s.p., and Godfrey Massy Ball, d.s.p., buried in St. Mary's Churchyard, Drogheda, April 25, 1857.

Mary, wife of Godfrey Ball, Senr., died at Finglas, aged 76, in 1873, and was buried at St. Mary's, Drogheda, Jan. 13. Her husband married again.

(3) Edward Ball, of Co. Westmeath, and afterwards of Bellevue, Raheny, Co. Dublin, married firstly Miss Caroline Curtis and had issue—Edward, married Ellen Moneypenny in 1849, and deceased, s.p.; Robert Ball went to Australia.

Edward Ball, of Raheny, who died 1844, married secondly, 1839, Anne Jane, born 1810, died 1880, daughter of George Darling, Esq., of Prospect House, Co. Wicklow, and Hon. Secy. of Kingstown Harbour, who died at Omagh, Co. Tyrone, 1883, by whom he had issue :—

[1] Townley Brabazon Balfour Ball, District-Inspector R.I.C. at Antrim, born 1838, died s.p. 15 May, 1896; married Mary Gould, who died August 22, 1887.

[2] Dorcas Jane Ball married, first, George J. D. Ball, her first cousin; secondly, George Beamish Teulon, Glenwood House, Kilworth, Co. Cork; she died Feb. 4, 1896, s.p., leaving net personal estate £60,000.

[3] George Ball, of 17, Marino Crescent, Clontarf, Ship Owner, born 1842, died Feb. 6, 1886, buried at Raheny, married Elizabeth, daughter of Captain Ryan, of the East India Company's service, and had issue four children—

(a) Mary Jane Ball, born 22 Aug., 1876, married, 11th Sept., 1905, F. J. FitzGerald, of Robinstown, Mullingar, and has issue a daughter, Kathleen Elizabeth.

(b) George Joseph Ball, born 18 March, 1878, of 8, Palmerston Rd., Rathmines, Assist. Chief Crown Solicitor, Dublin Castle, married 5 Decr., 1900, in London, Madeleine Mary, daughter of John Crowley, of Flora Ville, Howth Road, Clontarf, and has issue two daughters, Evelyn Mary Leontine, born 1901; Edna Anna, born 1907.

(c) Edward John Ball, born 1886, unmarried, in Connecticut, U.S.A.

(d) Anna Josephine Ball, born 1882, married Michael John Tighe, C.E., M.R.I.A., M.S.J., District Surveyor of Board of Works, Merville, Galway, eldest surviving son of John Tighe, 8, Belvidere Place, Dublin, and has issue—1, John Ball Tighe; 2, Moira Tighe.

Edward Ball, Lieut. 59th Regt., had also three daughters, viz.: (1) Catherine Emilia, who married in 1792 the Very Revd. Theophilus Blakely, B.A. Trin. Hall, Camb. 1794, Vicar of Kill, Co. Kildare, 1807, Dean of Achonry, afterwards successively Dean of Connor and of Down, by whom she had issue—1, William Ponsonby Blakely, B.A., T.C.D., 1828, d.s.p.; 2, Louisa Blakely, married Mr. Metcalfe, M.P. for Drogheda, d.s.p.; 3, Eliza Blakely.

Mrs. Blakely was heir to her father, and executrix of his will in 1816. She predeceased her husband, who married, secondly, Mary, daughter of a Mr. Stewart, of Belfast, and died in 1855, aged 86. By his second wife he had (4) a son, Captain Blakely, R.A., born 1827, died 1868, a man of remarkable talents in gunnery. In

Killyleagh Church, Co. Down, is a brass to his memory, in which he is described as "the greatest artillerist" of the age; (5) a daughter, Isabella, who still survives, and lives at Mt. Pleasant, Maghera, Co. Down.

(2) Mary, married James Rolleston, of Frankfort, King's Co., and had issue, Charlotte, James, George, and John.

(3) Sarah Ball, d.s.p. 1811.

2. Edward Ball, decd. 1804.

Edward Ball, Senr., died 1815, w. pr. 1816.

X. Wilhelmina (Willy), youngest daughter of George Ball of Ball's Grove, Esq., married Dr. Arthur Magenis, of Drogheda, in Feby. 1761. She died 1797, and was buried Feb. 15th at St. Audoen's, Dublin. She had a son, Arthur, and a daughter, Frances, bapt. St. Peter's, Drogheda, June 4, 1766, who married a Mr. Wade. Dr. Magenis died at Ball's Grove, 1809.

We now turn to ROBERT BALL, of Ballsgrove, the eldest son and fourth child of George Ball, Esq.; he was born 1729, and married on June 6th, 1757, at St. Peter's Church, Drogheda, Frances, daughter of Stephen Sibthorp, Esq., of Dunany, Co. Louth; she died Feb. 5, 1765, at Ballsgrove, without issue, and was buried at Dunany. Before his father's death in 1760, Robert Ball lived at Priorstown; he was High Sheriff, Co. Louth, in 1759. He married, secondly, at St. Ann's Church, Dublin, March 14th, 1766, Frances, daughter of Joseph Neynoe, Esq., of Grafton Str., brother to Mr. Neynoe, of Castle Neynoe. By her he had issue three daughters and one son:—

1. Frances, baptized August 5, 1767, married 1788 Revd. William Coddington, Rector of Kilmoon, by whom she had two sons and three daughters, viz.:—(1), Revd. Wm., d. unmarried; (2), Robert Ball, married Henrietta, daughter of Brabazon Morris, and had one daughter, Frances, who married Ernest





SQUIRE ROBERT BALL, OF BALLSGROVE,  
DROGHEDA,

IN COURT COSTUME (1729 to 1775)

*By permission of Lady Ball Greene.]*



Godwin Swifte, Esq., Police Magistrate, Dublin; (3), Frances, married, 1814, Revd. Joseph Pilkington, and had issue; (4), Sarah, married Revd. William Handcock, of Lacken, Co. Longford, and had issue 2 sons; (5), Elizabeth, d. unmarried.

2. Mary, bapt. June 18, 1768, married, 1789, Lawrence Steele, of the 4th Regt., and of Rathbride, Co. Kildare, and had issue.

3. Jane, born 1770, married, 1797, Godfrey Massy, of Ballinakill, Co. Limerick, and had two daughters:— Jane, of Dublin, born 1798, died 1870; and Mary, married Revd. Joseph Preston, of Bellinter, and had issue; she married, secondly, Godfrey Massy Ball, by whom she had two sons, and was buried St. Mary's, Drogheda, 1873.

4. George Ball, Esq., of Ballsgrove, born 8th Feb., 1775, of whom later on.

ROBERT BALL, of Ballsgrove, in 1772 was Master of the Boyne Hunt; he died on Novr. 6, 1775; his will was proved 5th August, 1778. There is a notice of the accident which eventually led to his death, in the Recollections of John O'Keefe, the actor, London, 1826, who also gives an account of the beauty of Ballsgrove. As Mr. Ball was returning from the baptism of his godson, Robert Ball, son of John Ball, of Dorset Street, Dublin, the horses of his chaise took fright in Capel Str., Dublin, and ran away. Mr. Ball jumped out, and broke both legs. He lingered a year, but a second fracture of them caused his death. He was buried at St. Mary's, Drogheda. His widow, on June 7th, 1777, married at St. Mary's, Dublin, Capt. Alexr. M'Laine. George Ball, the infant son of Robert Ball, had a long minority, his guardians being his uncle, Dr. Magenis, and Revd. Dr. Norris. On coming of age, in 1795, he married Margaret, daughter of Richard Sadleir, of Sadleir's Wells, Co. Tipperary, who died 5th March, 1805, s.p. George Ball married, secondly, by special license, 22nd February 1821, Sarah

Webber; George Ball, Esq., died Septr. 25th, 1842, and was buried at St. Mary's, Drogheda, October 1st. His widow, Mrs. Sarah Ball\*, died, aged 86, Jan. 1859, and was buried at St. Mary's, Drogheda, Jan. 13.

\* George Ball, by Sarah Webber, had two sons, George and Thomas Ball, and three daughters, Mary Jane, Elizabeth and Louise, Mrs. Harpur, Mrs. Sheppard, and Mrs. Greene. Their father, by marriage settlement dated 23 Feb., 1821, settled an annuity of £150 on his wife Sarah, and by disentailing deed dated 15 March, 1821, reciting that George Ball had by Sarah Webber five children disentailed the estates and re-settled them in hands of Trustees for his eldest son by Sarah Webber, George Ball, Junior, with remainders in tail, male and female, to his four other children by Sarah Webber, with remainders over. George Ball, Junior, m. Miss Cockburn and died on March 26, 1885, aged 76 years. His elder son, George De Belle Ball, present owner of Ballsgrove Estates, married in 1885 his cousin, Miss Caroline Fairtlough, and resides at Drogheda.

The *Arms* of Ball, of Ballsgrove, Drogheda, are—Sa, on a chev. OR, betw. three griffins' heads erased, ar. langued gu. beaked of the second, three martlets of the field; all within a bordure gobony of the first and third. *Crest*.—A griffin's head, erased as in the *Arms*. *Motto*.—Fulcrum dignitatis virtus.

INDENTED PEDIGREE, SHOWING THE DESCENT OF THE  
BALL FAMILY, OF ST. AUDEN'S PARISH, DUBLIN.

THOS. BALL, gent., Stevenstown, Co. Dublin (b. 1470); m. (abt. 1499)  
Margaret Bermingham :—  
BARTHOLOMEW (b. abt. 1500; d. abt. 1570), m. Margaret Bermingham  
(d. 1584) :—  
1 Walter (b. 1538, d. 1598); m. (c. 1565; d. 1618) Elinor Ussher :—  
(1.) Robert (b. 1573; d. 1635); m. 1st, Jane, dr. of Archbp. Henry  
Ussher (d. 1820) :—  
1. Mary (b. 1602); m. James Kerdiffie.  
2. Walter (b. 1603).  
3. William (b. 1606; d. 1649); m. Elinor Bisse (d. 1649) :—  
(1.) Charles (d. unm.)  
(2.) Christopher (d. 1663).  
(3.) Elizabeth (d. 1663).  
4. George (b. 1608?; d. 1638); m. Jane dr. of William Rowles  
(d. 1659) :—  
(1.) Robert (b. 1645; d. 1699); m. (1671) Anne Partington,  
née Desmynieres (d. 1711) :—  
1. Jane (b. 1672); m. (1713) Edward Dudgeon.  
2. Robert (b. 1673; d. young).  
3. Anne (b. 1674; d. 17—); m. Paul Espinasse (1740)  
4. George (b. 1676; d. 1678).  
5. John (b. 1677; d. 1679).  
6. George (b. 1678; d. 1780); m. (1725) Mary Roe  
(d. 1771) :—  
(1.) Jane (b. 1728; d. unm.)  
(2.) Anne (b. 1727).  
(3.) Mary (b. 1728).  
(4.) Robert (b. 1729; d. 1775); m. 1st (1757),  
Frances Sibthorp (d. 1765); 2nd (1766),  
Frances Neynoe (d. —) :—  
1. Frances (b. 1767; d. —); m. (1788)  
Wm. Coddington.  
2. Mary (b. 1768; d. —); m. ( )  
Lawrence Steele.  
3. Jane (b. 1770; d. —); m. ( )  
Godfrey Massey.  
4. George (b. 1776; d. 1842); m. 1st  
(1796) Margaret Sadleir (d. 1805);  
2nd (1821) Sarah Webber (b. 1773;  
d. 1859), s.p.  
(5.) John (b. 1780; d. 1821); m. (1761) Margaret  
Newcomen (d. 1821) :—  
1. John m.—, issue, Jane.  
2. Mary d.s.p.  
3. Margaret; m. Joseph Pasley.  
(6.) Alice (b. 1781; d. 1754).  
(7.) Charles (b. 1788; d. unm., 1764).  
(8.) George (b. 1785; d. 1830); m. Margaret  
Orson :—  
1. George (b. —; d. —); m. Dorothea  
Gorham :—  
1. George d.s.p. (1898).  
2. James, died young.  
2. Robert (b. —; d. —); m. 1st Jane  
Hackett; 2nd Margaret Murray :—  
1. William, d.s.p.  
2. John, 1808, m. —  
1. William.  
2. Samuel  
3. John.  
4. to 7, daughters.  
3. Caroline m. Fairclough  
1. Caroline m. G. De B. Ball  
4. Frances.  
3. John (d. unm.)  
4. Margaret (d. unm.)  
5. Mary (d. unm.)  
6. Jane ( ); m. George Greene.  
7. Eliza ( ); m. P. Wilkie.  
(9.) Edward (b. 1737; d. 1817), m. (1774)  
Bridget Plunket, and had issue.  
George, m. — Curtis.  
1. George, d. unmd.  
2. Godfrey M.  
3. Edward, m. Anna Darling.  
1. Townley, d.s.p.  
2. George m. Ryan.  
1. George J.  
2. Edwd.  
3. Mary.  
4. Anna.  
(10.) Wilhelmina, m. (1761) Arthur Magenias,  
n.d.  
7. John (b. 1681; d. 1755) m. (1722) Elizabeth  
Duclos.  
8. Rev. Charles, Chaplain R.N. (b. 1683; d. 1759);  
m. (1723) Elinor dr. of Capt. Thomas,  
R.N. (d. 1768).  
(1.) George (b. 1726; d. 1815); m. 1st (1758) Miss  
Foote :—  
1. A daughter, m. Mr. Eiston  
m. 2nd (1791), Henrietta  
Willington :—  
2. Henry Moreland (b. 1792; m. (1821)  
Jane Eiston and had issue :—  
(1.) George Willington  
(2.) Catherine Elizabeth m. R.  
Stevens.  
(3.) Eliza, Henrietta m. G. Wolfe  
3. George.  
5. Charles.  
6. Faviere Francis (b. 1803).  
6 to 10. Five daughters.  
(2.) Deborah (b. 1734); m. (1756) Samuel  
Johnston.  
(3.) John (b. 1739; d. 1807); m. (1765)  
Christian Standish (d. 1806) :—  
1. Henry (b. 1787; d. 1851); m. (1801)  
Lucinda Ward (d. 1857) :—  
(1.) Lucinda Mary.  
(2.) A daughter.  
2. Robert (b. 1774; d. 1862); m. 1st  
(1796), Elizabeth Alley :—  
(1.) Robert James (b. 1798;  
d. 1878); m. (1838)  
Sarah Johnstone :—  
1. George Henry; m. Frances  
Witbeck.  
2. Arthur; m. Amy Moffatt.  
3. Five daughters.  
m. 2nd 1802, Editha Gurly;  
(2.) Jemima (b. 1803; d. 1869);  
(1826) Thos. Wright (d.  
1864).  
(3.) Editha (b. 1804; d. 1893);  
m. Francis Cherry (d.  
1890).  
(4.) Catherine; m. John Palmer  
(5.) Thomas; m. Mary Young  
(d. 1856).  
(6.) Mary Anne (b. 1807; d. 1886).  
(7.) William Walker (d. 1877);  
m. Eliz. Parke.  
(8.) Maria Louisa (d. 1856).  
(9.) Elizabeth (b. 1814); m. Wm.  
Cherry; both decd.  
3. Charles (d. unm.)  
4. Susanna; m. (1783) Richd.  
Jennings.  
5. Richard (b. 1809?; d. 1867).  
6. Margaret; m. (1831) Henry Bennett.  
7. Margery; m. 1st, Thomas Dowding; 2nd, Richard Burder,  
and had issue.  
8. Eleanor, (d. unm.)  
Robert Ball m. 2nd, Margaret Barry (d. 1650).  
9. Elizabeth; m. Nicholas Browne.  
(2.) Edward (d. 1625); m. (1608) Ales Weston :—  
1. Anne m. Dillon; issue, Talbot, Amy.  
(3.) George.  
(4.) John.  
(5.) Rose (d. 1605); m. Luke Chaloner (d. 1623) :—  
1. Phoebe; m. Archbp. James Ussher :—  
(1.) Elizabeth; m. Sir T. Tyrrell.  
(6.) Katherine (d. 1639); m. Patrick Sedgrave.  
II. NICHOLAS (d. 1609); m. Begnet Luttrell (d. 1619) :—  
(1.) Bartholomew (b. 1678, d. 1643); m. 1st, Jane Finglas  
(d. 1618). Issue :—  
1. Thomas (d. 1679).  
2. Nicholas (d. 1652); m. Thomasin — :—  
(1.) John.  
(2.) Anne.  
3. Matthew (d. 1662).  
4. John (d. 1684); m. Katherine Browne (d. 1640) :—  
(1.) Elizabeth.  
(2.) Mary m. Richard Archbold.  
(3.) Michael (d. 1703); m. Margaret —  
(d. 1703).  
5. Begnet (1678); m. 1st, Matthew May; 2nd, Wm.  
Lattin.  
6. Catherine; m. Patrick Segrave.  
7. Jane; m. G. Tadpole.  
He m. 2nd, Ann Gough (d. 1682) and had issue.  
8. Rose (d. 1667); m. Wm. Blackney.  
(2.) Jane (d. 1641); m. Richard Ussher (d. 1615).  
(3.) Elizabeth (d. 1650); m. Wm. Dungan.  
(4.) Agnes; m. Sir Edward Trevor.  
(5.) Margaret; m. Robert Ussher.  
(6.) Katherine (d. 1616); m. John Browne of Healestown.  
III. THOMAS (d. 1595); m. Jane Penteney (d. 1595) s.p.  
IV. KATHERINE; m. Thomas Shelton, and had issue, John.  
V. ELINOR (d. 1621); m. Walter Segrave.



## CHAPTER III.

## THE FAMILY OF BALL, OF BALDROMAN, CO. DUBLIN.

A family who were probably related to the Balls of St. Audoen's Parish, Dublin, lived in the 16th and 17th centuries at Baldromyn, in the Parish of Lusk.

From the letter of John Ball, the brother of Mrs. Walter Harrold, of Dublin, written from Brussels in 1591, in which he mentions his cousin, Ball of Baldromyn, and his statement that he had been abroad in the service of the King of Spain 25 years previous to 1607, we gather that the Ball families in the baronies of Fingal were all more or less connected with one another. We find that John Ball, of Baldromyn, died in 1608. In his will, proved that year, he mentioned his brothers, Richard, of Ballustree, and Nicholas Ball, his sons, James, John, and Thomas Ball, his daughters, Ellen and Margaret, and his son-in-law, Richard Austen. His eldest son, James Ball, of Baldromyn, died in 1640. James's will, proved that year, mentions his wife, Jane or Jeneta Curtis, his daughters Anne and Margaret, and Amy Ball, his brother's daughter. His widow and his son Thomas are the executors; his son, John Ball, witness to the document.

James Ball's widow, Jane Ball, alias Curtis, made her will 16th Novr., 1647, proved in the Dublin Dio. Court; she left half her share in Baldromyn to her daughter, Margaret Ball, the wife of Nicholas Thunder, the other half to her son, Thomas Ball. Her son, John Ball, proved the will in 1652. Her daughter, Anne, married Geoffry Russell. An interesting item is that to her son-in-law, Patrick Rogers, she left what remained in her haggard after the burning of the country by Owen Roe O'Neill.

No other wills of this family remain, but there are still families of the name among the farming class in Co. Dublin, who may be descended.

Thus in the Religious Return of 1766 for the northern part of the County Dublin, Richard Ball, "a Papist," was living in Castleknock; John Ball, "a Papist," in Finglas; Richard Ball (religion doubtful), at Kill-sallaghan; Andrew Ball, "a Protestant," in Naul; Joseph Ball, "a Roman," in Swords.

The Prerog. Will of John Ball, farmer, of Saucers-town, psh. of Swords, Co. Dublin, was proved 1810.

In May, 1644, a Dublin Dio. Grant of Admon. was made to Joana Ball, alias Coyle, relict, for the goods and chattels of Walter Ball, late of Westpolstown, and of the city of Dublin, yeoman, deceased.

In the Chancery Rolls, reg. Henry VIII. (Remembr. 8, 15,346) is the pardon of Nicholas Ball and another, yeomen (1535).

In T.C.D. Lib. MS., F. 323, in the Dowdall pedigree, George Dowdall, of Monkton, Co. Meath, married Mary, daughter of Ball, Alderman of Dublin, and two first cousins of George Dowdall's grandfather, viz.: Richard Dowdall married Alison Ball; and Walter Dowdall married Katherine Ball, and had issue John FitzWalter Dowdall, of Ardee, will pr. 1603.



## CHAPTER IV.

## THE FAMILY OF BALL, OF CO. FERMANAGH.

A Ball family is found at Enniskillen in the XVIIth century. There is a prerogative grant of admon. intest. of the goods of William Ball, of Enniskillen, gent, 11th June, 1658, made to Thomas Ball, his son, for his mother, Parnell Ball, widow, and for the use of his brother and sister, William and Katherine Ball. This William Ball, Senr., probably came over, as a part of the settlement under William Cole, ancestor to the Earl of Enniskillen. In the Cheshire Visitation of 1648 the third son of Thomas Ball, Esq., of Boughton, near Chester, is described as "William Ball, of Ireland, married and has issue." He may have been the William Ball mentioned in the Ulster Muster Roll 1630, and who lived at Macosquin, near Coleraine. The Chester Will of Thomas Balle, of Great Boughton, pr. 1605, mentions his son Thos., to whom the lands are left, his son William, to whom £20, and John, to whom £50 are left, his sister Katherine, wife Jane, and daughters Elizabeth and Jane.

The Chester Will of Jane, widow of Thomas Ball, pr. 1615, mentions her three sons, Thos., Wm., and John, and two daughters, Jane Ball and Elizabeth Thorp. The baptism of Thomas, the eldest son, is entered in St. Oswald's Parish Register, Chester, 10 Oct., 1582, and of John, son to Thos. Balle, of Boughton, 21 March, 1586-7; there is a baptism of a Wm. Balle, 11 Decr., 1582; at all events, if Wm. of Chester and Ireland, 1648, be identical with Wm. Ball of Enniskillen, 1658, he must have been 75 or 76 years of age, and must have had grandchildren, as well as children.

The Visitation of 1648 seems to make Wm. to be the 3rd son of Thos., but his father's and mother's wills appear to name him as the 2nd son.

It is one of the difficulties of tracing families at that period in Ireland that Wills, Parish Registers, and other public documents are so deficient; and this must often render anything more than probability unlikely as the result of researches. The Parish Registers of Enniskillen do not commence until 1666.

We ought perhaps to mention that in the Muster Roll of Ulster, in the MS. Department, Brit. Mus., drawn up about 1630, there is mention in Fermanagh, among Mr. Archdale's tenants, of "William Balls, sword and pike." The Archdales were a Norfolk family, and Balls is not the same name as Ball, but is an East Anglian variation of the name.

William Ball (2), son of William Ball (1), who died 1658, seems to have had several sons, among whom perhaps was Abraham Ball, who in a Co. Fermanagh Hearth Money Roll, signed 24 April, 1666, by Henry Ball and Wm. Smith as Collectors, appears as cessed 2s. for 1 hearth. Henry Ball was Provost of Enniskillen, and signed the Vestry Book in 1667, 1668.

A William Ball (3), of Enniskillen, born about 1670, probably grandson of William Ball, Junr., was married at Enniskillen Church in 1693 to Alice Cottington, and had issue:—I. Elizabeth, bapt. Feb. 15, 1694-5, bur. 1709. II. Alice, bapt. April 19, 1696. On April 20, 1696, Alice, wife of Wm. Ball, was buried. On April 5, 1695, at a Vestry Wm. Ball, merchant, was appointed Churchwarden, and signed the Minutes of Vestry meetings at Easter, 1697-98-99, 1700, 1702, 1704, 1706, and 1710. In 1700 he married secondly, Elizabeth Battersby, of Monaghan, and had issue:—I. William, bapt. Novr. 28, 1701. II. Ursula, bapt. May 17, 1702. III. Henry, bapt. May 1, 1703, of Druncullin, whose descendants are still there. IV. Thomas, bapt. April 10, 1707, d.y. V. Thomas, bapt.

Oct. 1, 1709. VI. Roger, of Drumboory, in Devenish parish, bapt. Feb. 5, 1711, alive 1750, had issue Elizabeth, married John Wilkin. VII. John, bapt. May 6, 1713. VIII. Samuel, bapt. 9 Novr., 1715, bur. 6 Decr., 1715. William Ball signed the address to Wm. III. and Queen Mary, in 1688, together with other Enniskilleners. On April 13, 1717, Mr. Wm. Ball was buried at Enniskillen. It was probably of his widow that the record in 1720 says "Mrs. Ball's seat in absence given away, unless she returns." Her will was pr. 1736.

Three other Balls, junior in date to William, but probably brothers, are mentioned in the Enniskillen Registers, viz.: *Richard* Ball, born c. 1680, married Edith —, and had issue:—I. Ellinor, bapt. June 25, 1706. II. Katherine, bapt. July 19, 1708. III. Alice, bapt. Jan. 1, 1711-12. IV. Anne, bapt. 20 May, 1715. V. Wm., bapt. 21 June, 1717. VI. Henry, bapt. Oct. 6, 1718. VII., Edith, bapt. Dec. 11, 1721.

*Thomas* Ball, born c. 1681, married Catherine Campbell, Feb. 25, 1707-8, and had issue:—I. James Ball, bapt. Decr. 15, 1713. II. Thomas Ball, bapt. Feb., 1715-16, bur. 24 Jan., 1724-5. III. Sarah, bapt. 30 Sept., 1717.

*James* Ball, born 1682, married Margaret Dane, 1 July, 1707, and had issue:—I. Peter Ball, bapt. April 8, 1708, d. bef. father, leaving a son James. II. Thomas, bapt. 20 Aug., 1709. III. Elizabeth, bapt. 22 June, 1719. IV. John. V. Wm. VI. Elinor.

Administration of the goods of Wm. Ball (3) was granted 9 May, 1717, to his widow Elizabeth. There are three impressions of a seal with arms attached, crest, like a lion's head erased; arms, a lion rampant 1 and 3, quartering 3 birds; 2 and 4, impaling a bend pale of 4 between 6 crosses.

James Ball, who married Margaret, daughter of Paul Dane, of Levaghey, Co. Fermanagh, died 1758, aged 75. His will, made 26 March, 1756, was pr. Clogher, 29 June, 1758, mentions his wife Margaret; grandson

James, son of Peter Ball, decd., land of Levaghey to eldest son John; his son Wm., who in Feb., 1742, md. Elizth., daughter of Revd. Thos. Dane, clerk, of Castlecaulfield, Co. Tyrone, and his son, Peter, mentioned; daughters Margaret Ball and — Ball; Francis Ball, witness, probably a nephew.

Francis Ball, born *c.* 1730, of Drumcoo. On April 8, 1753, married Anne Ball, his cousin. He had issue:— Francis Ball, of Drumcoo, near Enniskillen, born 1754, married 28 July, 1776, Elinor Frith, of the Cross, Co. Fermanagh, who died January 30, 1829, aged 84, and had issue:—I. Francis, born 29 April, 1777. II. Margaret, born 13 November, 1778. III. Anne, born 5 May, 1780. IV. John, born 10 May, 1781, married Miss Beatty (who had two brothers, lieutenants in 31st and 44th Regts.), and had issue: Wm. Ball, of Bundoran, b. 1827, living 1888, Postmaster of Enniskillen. V., Richard, born 18 Feb., 1784, d. 10 Jan., 1863, aged 79, Postmaster of Enniskillen, married first, Anne, who d. 1826, aged 40. He married, secondly, Jane —, who d. Aug. 13, 1866, aged 40. VI. Wm., born 21 July, 1786, lieutenant 22nd Regt., afterwards Sub-Inspector of Irish Constabulary. Will pr. 1866, d. 1862, married Catherine, daughter of Acheson Irwin, of Derrygore, Enniskillen, who died 1889, aged 79.

The data are not clear enough to include many other Balls of the Co. Fermanagh, who were related to the above, but Revd. William Ball, born 1785, B.A.T.C.D. 1809, M.A. 1833, Curate of Clones, 1814, Rector of Rossory, near Enniskillen, d. 30 March, 1835, may be mentioned. He was son of a William Ball, of the Co. Fermanagh, and obtained 1st place at Entrance T.C.D. His sister, Mary Anne, born 1774, died at Rossory 4 March, 1855, aged 80. Another sister married Mr. Philson, of the Co. Derry.

We now return to Wm. Ball, mentioned in 1658, as son of Wm. Ball, of Enniskillen. Henry Ball, Provost

of Enniskillen, 1667, was probably his son. Henry Ball entered the army in Ireland in 1662. In November 1664 he was Ensign to Sir John Cole's Company of Foot, at Charlemont. In 1678 he was Capt. Lieutenant in Lord Conway's Company at Charlemont, where he had the misfortune to break his leg. His name does not appear on the Army Lists after 1680. A Henry Ball held land under the Lord of Merrión, and appears on the Dublin Hearth Money Roll, 1666-7, as of Barmodus, Baggotsrath, living at the Bridge House, Donnybrook Bridge, where Mary Ball, his daughter, married Francis Knowles, of Finglas, M.L., 22 July, 1672, and where he was also living 1675, when he is defendant in a lawsuit about the marriage of his son Thos., in 1674, with Hannah, daughter of Edward Gill. Ellen Ball, wife to Henry, is mentioned in the Bill. He was probably identical with the Lieut. and with the Provost of Enniskillen, who signed the Co. Fermanagh Hearth Money Rolls, but who does not appear on those Rolls for Enniskillen Town. Henry Ball, of Donnybrook, whose house was afterwards known as Ball's House, and who gave name to Ball's Bridge, is noted as paying hearth money in 1685.

Also a Richard Ball, of Donnybrook, sold a farm there in 1710.

In St. Andrew's Registers, Dublin, March 26, 1690, is the burial of Richard, son of Henry Ball; May 16, 1691, bapt. of Mary; Sept. 3, 1693, of Katherine; 1698, July 25, of Elizabeth; 1700-1, Feb. 2, of Jane; 1703-4, Feb. 13, of Frances, all daughters of Henry and Margaret Ball.

Henry Ball, of Charlemont, married (2ndly ?) a daughter of Patrick Connolly, innkeeper, of Ballyshannon, and sister of the Rt. Hon. Wm. Connolly, of Celbridge, M.P., Speaker of the Irish House of Commons, LL.D., 1718, who d. 1729. Henry Ball by her had issue:—

1. Wm. Ball, mentioned in his Uncle Connolly's will, 1729, and in his Aunt, Mrs. Pearson's, will, 1749

(she left him £40 a year), also in the will of Mrs. Connolly, his aunt, 1752; he was probably identical with Wm. Ball, of Enniscorthy, who died June, 1758, intest, his widow being Jane Ball.

2. Henry Ball, of Dublin, living 1735, d. before 1748, married Frances Mellan, who d. 1750, and had two sons, viz.: (1) Connolly Ball, born about 1720, d. intest 1796; Capt. in Herbert's Regt. of Foot, and afterwards of the Ordnance Office, Dublin Castle, married, 2 March, 1746, Elinor, widow of Hughes and daughter of — Houghton, of Edermine, Co. Wexford, s.p. (2) William Ball, Cornet in Sir John Cope's Regt. in Flanders, 1748, d. intest in Co. Wexford, unmarried, 1796, in which year their second cousin, Edward Burne, took out a grt. admon. of their goods.

3. Mary Ball, married James Clarke, of Athboy, Co. Meath, Collector of Trim, and son of Capt. Robt. Clarke, of Enniskillen (by Elizth., 2nd daughter of James King, of Corrad, Co. Fermanagh). Her will, dated 29 June, pr. 9 July, 1760, mentions her two sons, Robert and William, her daughter Catherine, wife of Wm. Forster, of Athboy, and her nephew Col. Guy Carleton.

4. Catherine Ball, w. pr. 14 June, 1758, married Christopher Carleton (w. pr. 9 July, 1739), Collector of Customs at Newry (third son of Lancelot Carleton, of Rosssfad, High Sheriff of Fermanagh, 1683). They had issue:—(1) Capt. Wm. Carleton, married and had issue. (2) Lancelot Carleton, d. unm. (3) Sir Guy Carleton, K.B., for his eminent services in the first American War created Baron Dorchester of Dorchester, Co. Oxford. (4) Col. Thos. Carleton, Lt.-Govr. of New Brunswick. (5) Catherine, married — Hodgson. (6) Anne, married John Rotton, of Dublin. (7) Connolly, married, 1st, Alexander Crawford, of Millwood, Co. Fermanagh, who d. 1767; she married, secondly, Sir Patrick King, Commissary General of the Musters, Knted, while H.S. Co. Dublin, 30 Sept., 1776, d. May,

1790. Mrs. Carleton, als Ball, married, secondly, Revd. Thomas Skelton, Rector of Newry, and had issue by him.

Robert Ball is mentioned in 1776 in a Dublin Dio. Cause Deposition as "having been brother of Henry, the grandfather of Connolly Ball." He married, and had issue four daughters.

1. Mary Ball, who married by Consist. Lic., July 16, 1718, at St. Werburgh's Church, Major Wm. Spicer, gent., and d. intest. a widow, 1756. 2. Elizabeth Ball, who, acc. to a Deed of Lease Registered 7 Jan., 1720, with her two sisters was a milliner at Cork Hill, Dublin. 3. Elinor Ball, died 1762, aged 95. 4. Anne Ball, milliner at Cork Hill, 1720, afterwards of Clarendon Str., Dublin, died 13 Feb., 1766, aged 93.

We now come to the most difficult question in tracing the pedigree of this family. Thomas Ball, who in 1658 took out a pr. grant to his father William's goods, is described as of Ballycloonelagh, Co. Monaghan. Whatever the present writer has to say on this matter is owing to the copious notes sent him by Tenison Groves, Esq., of 33, Mt. Merrion Avenue, Blackrock, Co. Dublin, without which this matter could not have been clearly disentangled.

Ballycloonelagh is evidently the same place as Clonelagh, now Clenlogh, in the parish of Drumsnatt, Co. Monaghan. In the Book of Survey and Distribution, 1641-70, for Co. Monaghan, p. 90, Wm. Smyth, Esq., was granted Cloonelagh, 33A., Cornesugh, 62A. and 10A., and many other lands.

William Ball, of Cookstown, Co. Meath, owner of two townlands in the baronies of Dartry and Monaghan, Co. Monaghan, in 1726, 14 May, suffered recovery and levied a fine in favour of Thomas Barry, viz., for the  $\frac{1}{2}$  tate of Carnewall and the tate of Carnesough, and on Jany. 27, 1727, William Ball, of Cookstown, gent., sold for £360 to Anthony Cottnam, of the town of Monaghan, the tate of Cornasooe, in Dhumsnatt parish, and

the  $\frac{1}{2}$  tate of Cornawall in Killevan parish. In the same year, Aug. 27, Wm. Ball, and his eldest son and heir, Daniel Ball, of Kilmainham, Co. Meath, sold the same two tates in Co. Monaghan, witnessed by Henry Ball, second son of Wm. Ball. In 1735 Daniel Ball is said to be of Crossmullave, Co. Fermanagh, and 1737 he leased for 43 years to Wm. Frith that part of Crossmullave now held by him and Francis Ball. Now Francis Ball was related to James Ball, of Levaghey, the descendant of the first Wm. Ball, of Enniskillen, and therefore it seems fairly certain that Wm. Ball, of Cookstown, was descended from Thomas Ball of Ballycloonelagh. It may be that Thomas Ball was married to a daughter of William Smyth, the grantee of Cloone-lagh and Cornesough. In the Hearthmoney Roll, Co. Tyrone, 1666, Clonfeacle Parish, Derioghill Townland, Thomas Ball paid 2s. for 1 hearth. He was probably the same man as Thomas Ball of Enniskillen and Cloonelagh.

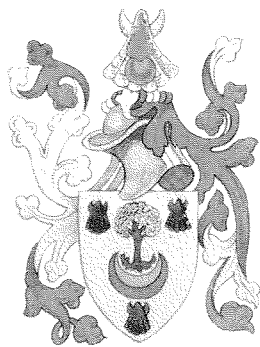
In 1740 a Clogher Marriage License Bond was signed on Decr. 16, by Hugh Parker and Daniel Ball, both of Enniskillen, for the marriage of Hugh Parker and Elizabeth Ball, both of Enniskillen, she being probably daughter of Daniel Ball, who from a deed of 1762 appears to be alive, together with his two brothers. Thus it may be inferred that William Ball, of Cookstown, was a great-grandson of the first Wm. Ball, of Enniskillen.

William Ball, of Cookstown, Co. Meath, p'sh of Kells and Balrathboyne, was born about 1675, and married, about 1700, Elizabeth, daughter of John Nickolls, of the Forest, parish of Swords (whose Consistl. will was pr. 6 Decr., 1720) and of Mary, his wife, and had by her issue, viz. :—

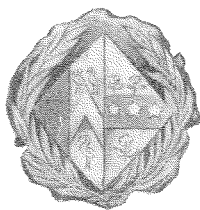
I. Daniel Ball, of Crossmullave, Co. Fermanagh, and Kilmainham, Co. Meath, born about 1705.

II. Henry Ball, born about 1706, of Charles Str., Dublin, merchant, married Elinor, daughter of

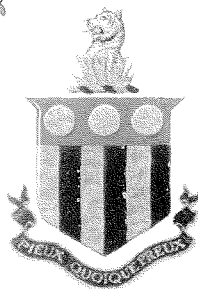




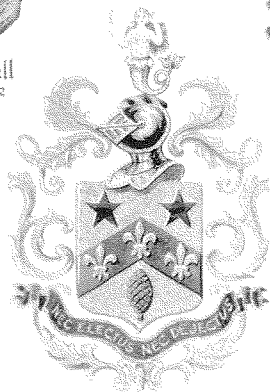
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Mary Blackall  
from her will of 1692



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THE ARMS OF THOMOND BALL, OF DUBLIN,  
 CONFIRMED TO HIS DESCENDANT T. H. BALL, BY SIR A. VICARS,  
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 BLACKALL OF DUBLIN AND DESMYNIERES OF ROUEN AND DUBLIN.



Thomond Blackall, before 1732, and had issue Thomond Ball, of Dublin, born about 1736, of whom below.

III. Nicholls Ball, born about 1708, of the Forest, Co. Dublin, married Catherine Pryse, by Consistl. Lic, 1733, and had issue Catherine, bapt. 10th Novr., 1737; Richard, bapt. 1st. Sept., 1745; Henry, bapt. 20 Aug., 1746.

1. Thomasine, born about 1701, married Thomas Rose, of Swords, gent, who took out Admon. of her goods, 2nd May, 1724.

2. A daughter, born about 1702, married Thomas Barry, and had issue, Elenor, and two other daughters.

William Ball, father of Henry Ball, by deeds dated 2nd and 3rd May, 1726, in consideration of 300 pounds, conveyed unto Anthony Cottnam certain estates in Co. Monaghan, Ireland, in which deeds he is described as of Cookstown in Kells Barony, Co. Meath, gent, and shortly afterward he removed to West Forrest, Co. Dublin, and is described as of that place in deeds dated 27th and 28th August, 1727. His eldest son and heir, Daniel Ball, of Kilmainham, Co. Meath, joined in the latter conveyance, his second son Henry is a witness thereto.

George Blackall, Esq., of Chapelizod, great grandfather of Thomond Ball, was a prominent citizen of Dublin; he was for many years an Alderman of that city; he died there in 1701 possessed of a large estate, and was buried in St. Peter's Churchyard, Dublin; he married at St. Peter's by Consistorial license, 9th September, 1672, Judith Desminieres, baptized at St. Audeon's, Dublin, 16th Sept., 1652, died at Dublin, daughter of Lewis Desminieres, Lord Mayor of Dublin, 1669.

Thomond Blackall, Esq., of Littlerath, Co. Kildare, the grandfather of Thomond Ball, was the eldest son of George Blackall, Esq., by his wife Judith Desminieres, and was born in Dublin 21st Sept., 1674,

and died there 30th Dec., 1715, his widow being named Sarah.

Henry Ball, second son of William Ball, was married in 1731. Elizabeth, daughter of Henry Ball, chandler, and Ellinor, his wife, was bap. Oct. 2, 1732, at St. Michan's Church. On May 31st, 1734, a bill was filed in the Exchequer Court at Dublin, wherein he and his wife Ellinor are named as parties; the suit resulted in a share to an estate to which she was entitled under the will of her father, and which he had received under the will of his father, George Blackall, Esq. Henry Ball is described as of Charles Street, Dublin, later Henry Ball is called of Forrest, Co. Dublin, gent, and still later of Dublin City, gent.

Thomond Ball, son of Henry Ball, was born in Dublin circa 1736, and died at Sunbury, Northumberland Co., Pennsylvania, on or about 2nd June, 1779; he was son of Henry Ball by his wife Ellinor, a daughter of Thomond Blackall, Esq., and sister of Sir Thomas Blackall, Knight, and Lord Mayor of Dublin.

Thomond Ball, who served as Apprentice to Mr. Thomas Blackall, was a woollen merchant in Francis Str., Dublin, at the Golden Eagle, and received the freedom of the city 24th July, 1760; nine years later he emigrated with his family to Pennsylvania, and settled at Lancaster in that State, where he resided until 1773, when he removed to Sunbury, Northumberland Co., Pennsylvania, where he had in 1772 purchased lands; he rose to prominence at Sunbury, and although he lived but six years after taking up his residence there the prominence he attained was such as to clearly indicate that had he survived to more mature years he would have come to occupy a position among the foremost leading men of his county. Early in 1776 he was elected a member of the County Committee of Safety, and was chosen secretary of its organization. This was the Revolutionary or War Committee of the county. Similar organizations existed in all of the

counties, and each rendered important service in the war for Independence, especially during the early years of that struggle. Thomond Ball was a member of the committee from February until August, 1776.

In the early part of 1777 he was appointed paymaster to Colonel Thomas Hartley's regiment, one of the sixteen battalions organized for the Continental service by resolution of Congress dated 27th December, 1776. This position he resigned in order to accept that of Justice of the Peace for Northumberland County, to which he was commissioned 8th July, 1778. At about the time he was appointed Justice of the Peace he was also chosen deputy prothonotary of the county, a position of much importance.

Thomond Ball married at Dublin (license dated 14th June, 1759) Margaret, daughter of Mr. John Denham, of that city. The day following that of the license he made a marriage settlement by which he settled upon his intended wife the sum of 300 pounds. In both the license and settlement he is styled of Dublin City, merchant. He had issue by his wife Margaret (Peggy) Denham the following children, all born in Dublin:—

1. Blackall William Ball, born 16 May, 1761; died 12 February, 1812; married Margaret Lesley.
2. Henry Ball, born 9 November, 1762; died 17 April, 1816; married Elizabeth Fulton.
3. Eleanor Ball, survived her father, and probably died unmarried.
4. Jane Ball, survived her father, and probably died unmarried.
5. Margaret Ball, survived her father, and probably died unmarried.

Captain Blackall William Ball, eldest child of Thomond Ball, by his wife, Margaret Denham, was born in Dublin, Ireland, 16 May, 1761, died at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 12 February, 1812. He

was prominent as an officer in the war of the American Revolution.

Captain Blackall William Ball, by his wife, Margaret Lesley, had issue :—

(1) Elizabeth Francenia Ball, born at Easton, Pennsylvania, 19 December, 1793; died 18 March, 1794.

(2) Ann Lesley Ball, born at Philadelphia, 19 June, 1796; died in Brooklyn, New York, 21 March, 1874.

(3) Mary Shuyter Ball, born at the seat of Major Robert Hoopes, Sussex County, New Jersey, 23rd March, 1799; died at Brooklyn, New York, 30 May, 1877; married her cousin, George H. Ball.

(4) Margaret Denham Ball, born in Sussex County, New Jersey, 2 February, 1801; died in Alleghany County, Maryland, 13 June, 1863; married Adam Kitter or Keitler.

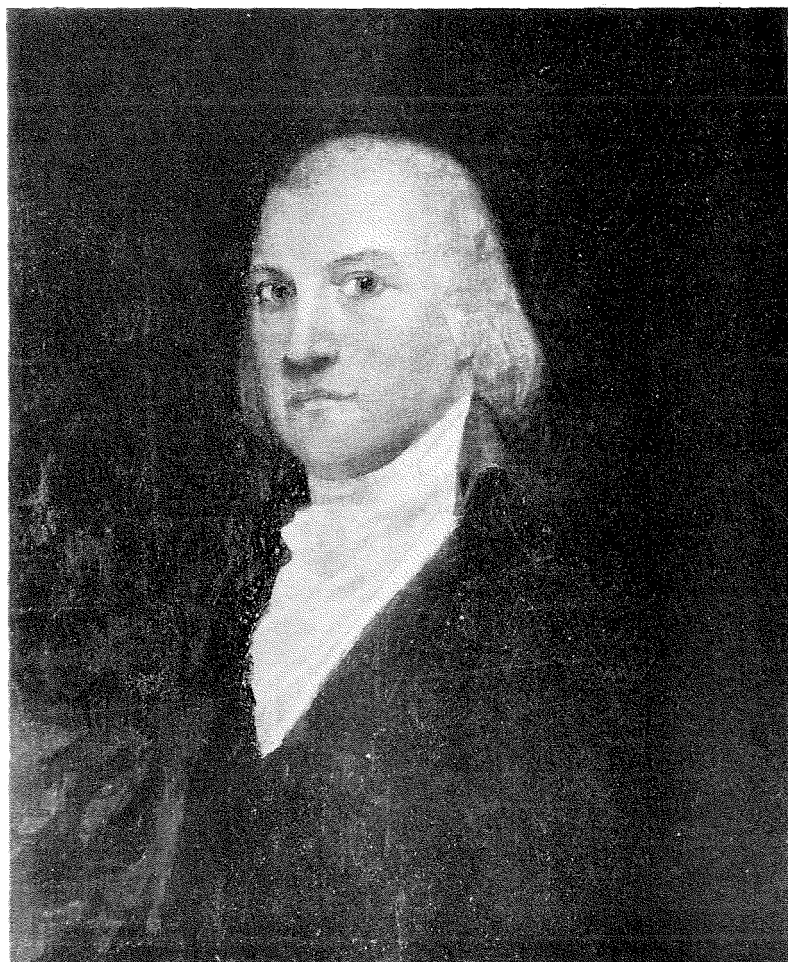
(5) Eleanor Ball, born in Wayne County, Pennsylvania, 26 July, 1803; died 28 March, 1830.

(6) Catherine Ball, born at Philadelphia, 6 September, 1805; died there 26 April, 1841.

Henry Ball, second son of Thomond Ball, by his wife Margaret Denham, was born in Dublin, Ireland, 9 November, 1762, and died at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 17 April, 1816. He came to America with his father and brother, and enlisted for frontier service against the Indians, in a company commanded by Captain Thomas Kemplin, of Northumberland County. In the muster-roll of his company he is styled "gentleman." He removed to Philadelphia about 1800, which city was his place of residence during the remainder of his life. He was an adherent of the Episcopal Church. Under the will of his uncle, Sir Thomas Blackall, Knight, of Dublin, Ireland, he received a legacy of 50 pounds. He married, October 17, 1789, Elizabeth Fulton, who died at Philadelphia, 2 November, 1823.

And by her had issue—

1. Blackall William Ball, born 19 January, 1791.



CAPTAIN BLACKALL W. BALL,  
BORN IN DUBLIN, 1761, DIED AT PHILADELPHIA, 1812.  
PROMINENT IN THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION,





died at New Orleans, Louisiana, 12 August, 1840; married 30 May, 1816, Mary Clay, who died at Cincinnati, Ohio, 8 May, 1824.

2. John Fulton Ball, born 5 May, 1793; died 22 December, 1826.

3. Elizabeth Harris Ball, born 19 February, 1794; married 31 August, 1819, John H. Gordon.

4. Thomond Ball, born 21 March, 1796; died 31 January, 1824; married in 1823, Ellen —.

5. Henry Ball, born 22 September, 1797, died 18 March, 1866, married Caroline Frowert.

6. Samuel Ball, born 10 April, 1799, died at Natchez, Mississippi, 28 August, 1823.

7. George H. Ball, born 13 February, 1801, died 31 October, 1873, married his cousin, Mary Shuyter Ball.

8. Robert Harris Ball, born 10 July, 1802, married Eliza Virginia Leathers, and had two children that died in infancy.

9. Margaret Ball, born 19 August, 1804, died 6 August, 1806.

George H. Ball, 6th son of Henry Ball, by his wife Elizabeth Fulton, was born 13 February, 1801, died at Brooklyn, New York, 31 August, 1873. He was a merchant in New York City. He married at Philadelphia, 12 December, 1823, Mary Shuyter Ball, daughter of Captain Blackall William Ball. She was born 23 March, 1799, and died at Brooklyn 30 May, 1876.

George H. Ball had issue by his wife, Mary Shuyter Ball :—

(1) Margaret Ball, born 20 December, 1824; died 24 February, 1892.

(2) George H. Ball, born 30 July, 1826; died 19 September, 1872.

(3) Mary Ball, born 24 February, 1828; died 18 October, 1898.

(4) Horace Ball, born 1 December, 1829; died 9 October, 1880.

(5) Elizabeth Ball, born 14 January, 1831, d.y.

(6) Barclay Ball, born 10 February, 1833; died 5 March, 1834.

(7) Josia Barclay Ball, born 10 December, 1834; died 30 June, 1847.

(8) Thomas Adams Ball, born 13 April, 1837, d.y.

(9) Cyrus Ball, born 9 July, 1839; died 21 March, 1902.

(10) William Henry Ball, born 13 January, 1842, died 21 October, 1864.

Henry Ball, 5th son of Henry Ball, by his wife Elizabeth Fulton, was born at Lawrenceville, Pennsylvania, Sept. 22, 1797; died at Philadelphia March 18, 1866.

He had issue by his wife, Caroline Frowert:—

(1) Mary Jane Ball, born October 8, 1832; married Benjamin F. Crawford.

(2) Henry Ball, born April 14, 1830; married first Katherine Weinert, December 31, 1852; married, 2ndly, Mrs. Casilda Grice, 1881; died at Philadelphia, March 25, 1884.

(3) Caroline Ball, born March 15, 1839, married Wm. S. Andrews.

(4) Charles Ball, born June 16, 1836; married Eliza Gibbon, 1st wife, and Isabella Brooks, 2nd wife, by whom he had no issue.

Issue of Mary Jane Ball by her husband, Benjamin F. Crawford.

I. Mary Ann Crawford, born April 19, 1857.

II. Caroline B. Crawford, born Dec. 3, 1859.

Henry Ball (first son of Henry, son of Henry Ball) by his first wife, Katherine Weinert, had issue—

I. Henry C. Ball, born Philadelphia, June 1, 1858; married, 31 May, 1890, Kate Cummins, and has issue Florence C. Ball, born April 16, 1891, at Philadelphia.

II. Caroline Ball, born Philadelphia, Jan. 18, 1854, married Charles M. Frehafer.

III. Charles Ball, born 1856, died in infancy.



THOS. HAND BALL, OF PHILADELPHIA, U.S.A.

A DESCENDANT OF THOMOND BALL, MCHT. OF DUBLIN, WHO  
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IV. Jacob Weinert, born 1857, died in infancy.

V. Thomas Hand Ball, born Philadelphia, 17 Oct., 1863, now of same city, merchant.

VI. Katherine Ball, born Philadelphia, 3 May, 1866.

Charles Ball, 2nd son of Henry, son of Henry Ball, by his wife, Eliza Gibbon, had issue:—

I. Edward H. Ball, born Philadelphia, married Sarah Chatten, Sept. 27, 1859, and has issue, Helene C. Ball, born Oct. 7, 1889.

II. Mary C. Ball, born Philadelphia, Jan. 18, 1862; married William W. Wilson.

III. Charles Ball, born 1865, married Mary Richardson, and has issue, Russel Earl Ball, born Philadelphia.

IV. Blanche Ball, born Aug. 23, 1869; married Charles R. Peddle.

Issue of Caroline Ball, by her first husband, William S. Andrews:—

I. William B. Andrews, born Philadelphia, March 14, 1868.

II. Elizabeth E. Andrews, born Philadelphia, Dec. 13, 1869.

III. Charles Henry Andrews, twin, born Dec. 13, 1869, died in infancy.

Issue of Caroline Ball, by her second husband, Chas. M. Frehafer:—

I. Charles Henry Frehafer, born Philadelphia, Nov. 10, 1879, died in infancy.

II. Florence Elizabeth Frehafer, born Philadelphia, Feb. 11, 1881; married William Tyson Parker, 20 February, 1903, in New York.

III. Mabel K. Frehafer, born Philadelphia, July 7, 1886.

IV. Thomas Ball Frehafer, born Philadelphia, Dec. 6, 1891.

Issue of Caroline B. Crawford, by her husband, Henry C. Stahler:—

I. Florence C. Stahler, born June 7, 1886, died in infancy.

II. Horace C. Stahler, born Philadelphia, June 7, 1888.

Issue of Mary C. Ball, by her husband, William W. Wilson:—

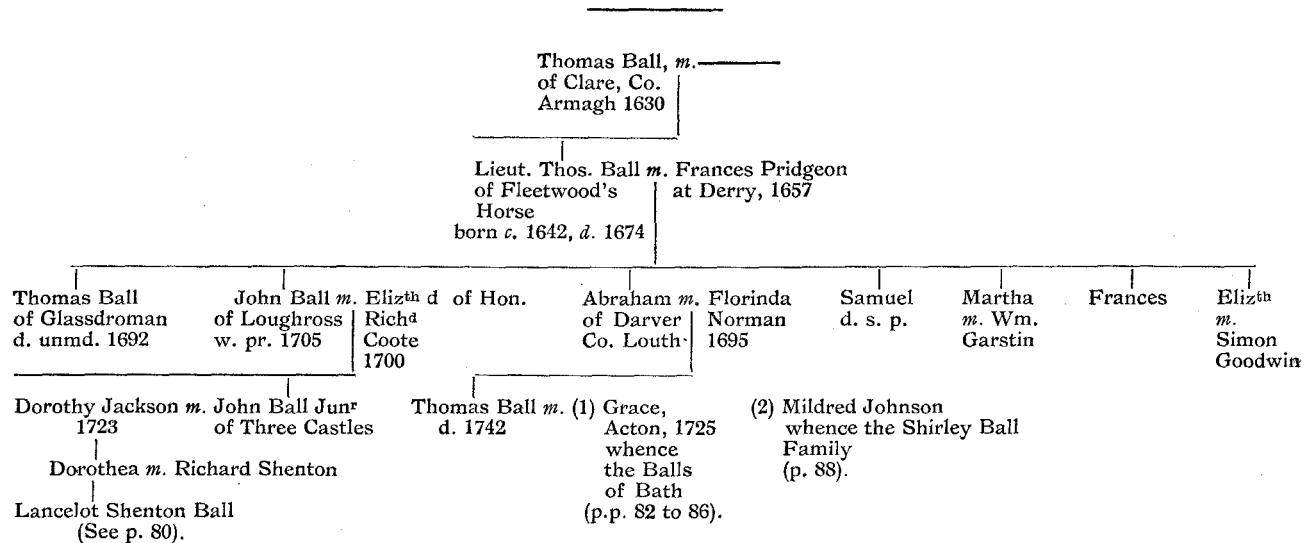
I. Helen Wilson, born Dec. 18, 1886.

II. Alice Wilson, born Sept. 29, 1891.

III. Sarah K. Wilson, born Nov. 26, 1894; d.y.

IV. Mary Wilson, born January 8, 1897.

# SKETCH PEDIGREE OF THE BALL FAMILY OF CREGGAN, CO. ARMAGH.







## CHAPTER V.

## THE BALLS OF ARMAGH AND KILKENNY COUNTIES.

The Ball family of Urker, in the parish of Creggan, Co. Armagh, is traditionally stated to have been a branch of the Balls of Scottowe, in Norfolk, a family whose arms they have used. In the Ulster Muster Roll for Co. Armagh, barony of Upper Orior, psh. of Tandagree, the names of "Ensign Richard Ball, sword," and "Thomas Ball, no arms," appear among the "Servitors of Sir Henry Bouchier, Knt., son of Sir George Bouchier, Knt., Master of the Ordnance and Privy Councillor, who died in 1605." The townland of Clare, in Upper Orior, was granted to Sir H. Bouchier, who planted English and Scotch settlers there, and built a Castle. This settlement was broken up in 1641 by the rebellion, and the Balls then seem to have taken shelter in Derry. The Derry Cathedral Registers, which commence in 1642, contain the following entries: "Ralph, son of Richard Ball, of the Bogside, bap. 3 Aug., 1655, same burd. 4 Septr., 1656. — of Rd. Ball, burd. 24 Decr., 1656: John Newton, mariner, Jane Ball, of Templemore par. (Derry) mard. 17 Decr., 1654, at Derry, before the Mayor, Recorder, &c.; Robert, son of Richard Ball, born 20 Mar., bap. 26 Mar., 1656; Jane, daughter of Richard Ball, bap. 16 June, 1659; Richd., son of Richd. Ball, burd. 6 Feb., 1662-3; Jane, daughter of Richd. Ball, burd. 16 Feb., 1662-3. Richard Ball, the father of these children, was perhaps a son of Ensign Richard Ball, gent, of Clare, Co. Armagh, 1630.

Lieut. Thomas Ball, of Lough Rosse, par. Creggan, Co. Armagh, and Frances Pridgeon, Derry, were

married 19 Jany., 1657-8, by Geo. Holland, minister of Londonderry. This Lieut. Thomas Ball was probably a son of Thomas Ball who resided at Clare in 1630. In 1642-3, March 7, Frances, daughter of John Pridgeon, was baptized. A Frances Pridgeon was burd. 6 June, 1642. On Aug. 17, 1643, John, son of Henry Pridgeon, was buried. A family named Pridgeon resided at Boothby, in Lincs., in the early part of the 17th century, who may have been connected with the Derry Pridgeons.

On referring to the Norfolk Visitation of 1558, published by Harleian Society, the following Pedigree of the Balls of Scottowe is given:—Sir Henry Ball, of Co. Derby, m. —, and had issue, Rafe Ball, of Parham, Suffolk, who m., daughter of Legh, and had issue:—1. Robert Ball, of Ipswich, m., 1st, Elizth., daughter of Wm. Smith, of N. Glemham, by whom he had (1) Margt., (2) Jane, (3) John, (4) Rafe, (5) Phillis, (6) Robert. Robert Ball, of Ipswich, m., 2ndly, Margt., daughter of Robt. Brooke, and had issue: (1) Francis, (2) Margt., (3) Elizth., (4) Robert, (5) Mary, (6) Henry Ball.

John Ball, of Scottowe, 2nd son of Rafe of Parham, m. Mary, daughter of Marshall, and had issue Robert Ball, of Scottowe, who m. Mary, daughter of — Duke, of Suffolk. John Stanley, Esq., in 1577 sold to Robert Balle, gent, and his heirs, Fenhall als Bocking Manor. The arms recorded in the Visitation are: a lion passant, sa. crest. A demi-lion ramp., guard. sa.

Lieut. Thomas Ball, of Fleetwood's Regt., received grants of land in several counties of Ireland, which were confirmed under the Act of Settlement. In Crickstown, barony of Ratoath, he received "a mansion house, orchard, garden, and groves," and land in Westmeath; also Loughgarmore, Loughross, Cullyhanna, Orker, in the psh. of Creggan, Co. Armagh, and land in Co. Kerry, to the use of Daniel and Sarah Jackson. In

the Co. Armagh Hearth Money Roll for 1664, Barony of Fewes, Glassdromyn, Thos. Ball paid 4s. for 2 hearths. A Deed of 9 June, 1669, records the sale of lands in Orior Barony by Richd. Whaley to Thomas Ball of Glassdromyn; witness, John Ball. He was made a J.P. for the Co. Louth on June 13th, 1672. He died intestate at Glassdrummin, Co. Armagh, in 1674. His widow, Frances Ball, alias Pridgeon, took out administration in the Prerogative Court on the 13th Novr., 1674, when the tutelage of the bodies and persons, goods, &c., of Thomas, John, Abraham, Samuel, Martha, Frances, Mary, and Elizabeth Ball, minors, Thomas's children, was committed to their mother. On the petition of James Donaldson, Esq., and Frances, his wife, relict of Thomas Ball, Esq., the guardians and trustees of Thomas Ball, son and heir of Thomas Ball, there was a remittal of quit rents, 22nd Feby., 1678, land in Munster, 2,936 Acres; in Ulster, 5,911 Acres. This was inrolled 23rd October, 1678. Of the children:—

The eldest, Thomas Ball, Esq., of Glassdrumman, Co. Armagh, after Aug. 12, 1688, fled to Chester with two brothers, a sister, and nephew, having £647 real estate. In 1689 he was attainted by the Irish Parliament of Jas. II., on 7th May. State Papers, Domestic, 1690. Entry Book, Page 314. "Thomas Ball, &c.: Passe. upon Coll. Fairfax Certificate. A passe for Thomas Ball, Elizabeth Tully, and one childe, with their goods, and necessities to go from Hence to Chester, and there to embarke for Ireland. At Whitehall the 14 July, 1690, Nottingham." From an old family MS. the following is taken: "I, Abraham Ball, son of Thomas Ball and Philippa Ussher, have often heard my father declare that Thomas Ball having gone from Ireland to study law at the Temple, left Abraham, his youngest brother, under the care of his 2nd brother John, that finding on his return to Ireland John had not paid his brother Abraham that attention

which he had hoped he would, he rebuked him for his conduct, and finding that John had not behaved as he should have done during his (Thos.'s) absence, he declared that he would no longer leave his brother Abraham subject to maltreatment; whenever he should die, he divided the property between them by will, leaving John (commonly called "Black Jack") the Kilkenny and Kerry estates, and Abraham the Armagh, Louth, and other estates." (Note of June 20, 1828.) Thomas' will, dated 8th Decr., 1688, was proved in the Prerogative Court, 1692; Abraham Ball, of Cullyhanna, Co. Armagh, and John Garstin, of Dublin, were appointed executors. He requested that his body should be buried in Creggan. To his sister Elizabeth he left £1,500, to be paid when she was 21; a legacy to his nephew, William Garstin; to John Ball, his reputed son, £300.

II. John Ball, of Loughross, in the parish of Creggan, second son of Thomas Ball, of Fleetwood's Horse, was attainted with his brother, on 7th May, 1688; in 1700 he and Abraham divided their lands by deeds, according to their brother's will. John Ball married in that year Elizabeth Coote, one of the five daughters and co-heiresses of Hon. Richard Coote, of Tullaghmain, Co. Kilkenny, by whom he had issue one son, John, and a daughter, Frances.

In his will, dated 6th February, 1704, pr. in the Prerog. Court, 1705, he made his brother Abraham Executor; he bequeathed his effects to his son, John Ball, Jun., and to Frances Ball, his daughter, if John had no male issue. After Frances's death her male issue in that case was to change the name to Ball. John's daughter, Frances Ball, on 7th Oct., 1716, married Henry Gorges\*, Esq., of Coleraine, who

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\* Henry Gorges was grandson of John Gorges of Coleraine, who married Jane, daughter of Sir Henry Blayney, 2nd Lord Blayney, and Jane, daughter of Gerald, Lord Drogheda, who died 1685.

died Feby., 1726. She died 1748, leaving two daughters:—1, Elizabeth, born in 1717, who married 7th May, 1748, Ralph Gore, of Barrowmount, M.P. for Kilkenny, and died 11 Decr., 1714, in her 98th year. 2, Jane, d.s.p.

John Ball, Jun., of Loughross, Co. Armagh, and Three Castles, Co. Kilkenny, was born 1702, and educated at Carrickmacross School, entered Trin. Coll., Dublin, 1718, but does not appear in the list of graduates.

He settled at Three Castles in Odogh Parish, Co. Kilkenny, and married Dorothy, second daughter of William Jackson, of Coleraine, and his wife, Elizabeth, daughter of Robert Gorges, of Kilbrew, Co. Meath, by whom he had two daughters. She died Jan., 1760, and was buried at St. Mary's Church, Kilkenny. In 1730 John Ball was High Sheriff of the Co. Armagh. In Pue's Occurrences for March 2, 1745, we read that—

There are for sale, lands, a part of estate of John Ball, Esq. (at the Three Castles, Co. Kilkenny), in the barony of Fews, Co. Armagh, viz., Tullyvallen, 2,549 acres Plan. meas., Tullynavall and Dromill 476 acres, and 577 acres of bog, 10 miles from Armagh, 10 from Dundalk, also more lands in Ratoath, called Creekstown.

Again, in Faulkner's Dublin Journal, Oct., 1748, we read that—

By the vigilance and activity of John Ball, Esq., of Three Castles, there are lodged of Freny's gang 9 men and 2 women concerned in the robbery at Revd. Mr. Driscoll's, of Clashacrow.

In 1737 John Ball was High Sheriff of the Co. Kilkenny and Capt. in the Militia. He married, secondly, on 7th May, 1760, Mrs. Margaret Rainsford, widow, of St. Ann's Parish, Dublin. He died Sept., 1764, at South Frederick Str., Dublin, aged 62; his will was proved by his daughter, Dorothea Margaret, wife of Richard Shenton.

Of his two daughters—

Elizabeth, the eldest, was born Jan. 27th, 1724, and baptized at St. Mary's, Dublin, 25th Feby., 1724. She died while young in 1746, and was buried at St. Mary's, Kilkenny, Sept. 4th. Admon. of her goods was granted to her father, 21st Novr., 1747.

Dorothea Margaret, second daughter of John Ball, was born Novr. 24, 1741, and baptized Decr., 1741, at St. Mary's Church, Dublin. She married, firstly, by a secret marriage, Richard Shinton\* or Shenton, Esq., of Gerardstown, Co. Meath, who died 1778. For making provision for her independently of her husband, John Ball, her father, executed a Deed of Release on 10th July, 1762.

Dorothea by her first husband had issue—(1), John Shenton, who assumed the name of Ball, but died unmarried about Decr., 1794; (2), Launcelot Shenton; (3), George Shenton; (4), Richard Shenton; (5), Dorothea Shenton.

Dorothea Shenton, alias Ball, married secondly, three months after Shenton's death, Richard Ball, Esq., attorney-at-law, second son of the Revd. John Ball, of County Louth, a member of the Ardee family of Ballis, and who died 1813; by him she had issue a son, Abraham Ball, who died 1814 v. matris, having married Jane, 3rd daughter of James Wemyss, of Danesfort, M.P. for Kilkenny (1793-1800) in 1809. By her he had issue, two sons, Richard and Abraham, d.y.; and two daughters, Martha, d.y., and Dorothea Margaret, who married, Novr., 1840, Frederick Cleverly, a Canadian barrister, who died 1845. She

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\* Alexr. Shinton, who died 1663, had issue, Richard Shinton, of Proudfootstown, Co. Meath, who married, 1st, Mary Eaton in 1686, and 2ndly Anna Render, of Drumgoolestown, Co. Louth. By his first wife he had issue I. Launcelot of Proudfootstown, w. pr. 1772, II. George, III. Revd. John, Vicar Choral of St. Patrick's, IV. Christian. Of these George, by his wife, Frances Ball, had, with two daughters, Anne and Jane, a son, Richard, who married Dorothea Ball, and had issue 5 children.

married, secondly, Andrew Jackson Morgan, of Indiana, and died 1880.

Dorothea Ball, als Shenton, died 30 July, 1819. Her will, dated Decr. 1st, 1818, was proved 13 August, 1819, Revd. Stearne Ball, Rector of Odogh, Executor. It recites that by a deed made on Oct. 17, 1785, between her and her husband, Richard Ball, first part, John Shenton Ball, her eldest son, second part, Rev. Wardlaw Ball, of City of Dublin, third part, John S. Ball was appointed her heir, but that he died unmarried in Decr., 1794. By this will, his brother Richard and sister Dorothea Shenton received sums of money: her grandson, Richard Ball, son of the late Abraham Ball, is made residuary heir; if he die, her grandson, Abraham Ball; their sisters also received legacies.

The will of Abraham, son of Richard and Dorothea Ball, of Three Castles, was proved in 1820, by Abraham Ball, of South Darver, his cousin-german; Jane Ball, the wife of deceased, was to have £100 per ann. paid out of the estate. This Abraham Ball during the minority of the children lived at Three Castles.

However, these wills were not allowed to pass without dispute; already in 1800 Lancelot Shenton, the second son of the first marriage, had filed a Bill in Chancery against Richard Ball and Dorothea, his wife, to establish the Deed of 1762, and set aside the deed of 1785, on account of fraud. This bill was withdrawn by the plaintiff in 1805. In 1803 Dorothea Ball appointed the lands to her youngest son, Abraham Ball, subject to annuities. In 1809 the lands were by deed settled on the husband and wife, and their issue, notwithstanding notice given by Lancelot Shenton; in 1819 L. Shenton brought an action for ejectment at the Kilkenny Summer Assizes under the deed of 1785. This was compromised. The case turned mainly on the question of the sanity of John Shenton Ball and his power to convey legally, as in the deed of 1785. The County families were divided into two parties, some

favouring Shenton, others the Balls. In 1821 L. Shenton brought a second action for ejectment in the Court of King's Bench, and got judgment by default, but a conditional order of the Court of Exchequer was got against him for contempt unless he should vacate the proceedings. Lancelot was so ill during the proceedings that the order could not be served on him in person, and in Feby., 1821, he died, leaving his eldest son and heir the Defendant in error, who on August 4, 1823, brought a third action for ejectment at the Kilkenny Assizes, when it was agreed that the sole question was to be the competency of John S. Ball to make the deed of 1785. Judge Jebb gave judgment. The matter was argued on 8 Feb., 1825, and judgment given for the Defendant in error. The Plaintiff in error was dissatisfied, and brought a writ in error in the Irish Exchequer Chamber, which was argued 15 June, 1826, 6 judges for reversing, 6 against. So it was undisturbed. Then plaintiff took it to the House of Lords, when Lords Tenterden and Plunkett in 1829 gave judgment, affirming Judge Jebb's ruling.

The writer has thought it well to give a summary of this remarkable course of litigation, as he was born and brought up in the neighbourhood which was so convulsed by it for many years, and as he remembers well the successful litigant. Shortly after the final verdict Richard Ball, the unsuccessful claimant, enlisted in 1832, in the East India Company's Artillery, married in India a woman of humble birth, and died in 1858, a widower, s.p.

Lancelot Shenton, Junr., assumed the name Shenton Ball; he married, on 20th March, Hannah, second daughter of Capt. Butler, of Castlecomer, and d.s.p. in 1855. In his will the decease of his sisters Florinda and Dorothea is mentioned, and he left the property for life to his wife, who died on Feby. 3rd, 1882, at the age of 93. After Mrs. Shenton Ball's death the estate was to pass by her husband's will to his fourth



cousin, George Palmer Ball, second son of Thomas Ball, of High Park, Co. Dublin, who had advanced Mr. Shenton Ball funds to carry on his law-suit, but as he was dead his son, Arthur Throgmorton Ball, of Australia, inherited, and sold the property to Robert Clarke, Esq.

III. Abraham Ball, of Cullyhanna, Co. Armagh, third son of Thomas Ball, of Fleetwood's Horse, and afterwards of Darver Castle, Co. Louth, married in 1695 Florinda, daughter of Robert Norman, Esq., of Lagore, Co. Louth, who died at Kilbline, Co. Kilkenny, and is buried in Kilfane Churchyard. Her will is dated 1753. Abraham Ball died in 1740, and was buried in Creggan Church, Co. Armagh. Long after the birth of his eldest son Thos., he levied fines on May 11, 1716, and conveyed his estate to trustees, with the use for life to himself, and then to his son. On the 20th October, 1713, he was made a freeman of Ardee. His will, proved in 1740, recites that in 1726 his eldest son, Thos. Ball, married Grace Acton, whose fortune was £2,500; that his daughter Elizabeth, in 1735, was married to Thomas Candler, and received £500 portion; that his son, Abraham Ball, in 1740 married Sarah, daughter of Revd. John and Dorcas Ball (in 1743 Abraham Ball had an office in the Irish Exchequer).

Elizabeth Ball (daughter to Abraham), by her husband, Thomas Candler, who was son of Thomas Candler, and great-grandson of Sir Walsingham Cooke, of Tomduff, Co. Wexford, had issue three children, viz.:—John, of Castlewood, d.s.p. 1773; Walsingham, of Kilbline, d.s.p. 1759; Florinda, d.s.p. 1783.

Frances Ball, another daughter, who afterwards married George Shenton, Esq., and had issue Richard Shenton, the husband of Dorothea Ball, of Three Castles, his second cousin; and Norminda Ball, alias Garstin, widow of his son Revd. John Ball, of St.

Mary's Church, Dublin, are mentioned in the will. The seal, with a crowned lion's head, is affixed.

Thomas Ball, the eldest son of Abraham, of Creggan, born 1696 in the County Derry, entered Trin. Coll., Dublin, in 1714, at the age of eighteen, having been educated at Carrickmacross School. He was a Counsellor-at-Law, and resided in Great Ship Street, Dublin, and afterwards in Bride Str., and Co. Wicklow; he was High Sheriff of the Co. Longford in 1737, and died intestate in 1742. Letters of admon. for his goods were granted to Revd. John Gage, of Aghadoey, Co. Derry, Mildred Ball, his widow, renouncing, on 8th Decr., 1742.

Thomas Ball married, firstly, Grace, daughter of Thomas Acton, of West Aston, Co. Wicklow, in 1725. She died Jany., 1732, and was buried at St. Bride's, Dublin, Jan. 28th. A grant of admon. of her goods was made, May 23rd, 1732, to her husband, Thomas Ball, who married, secondly, in 1735, Mildred, daughter of Revd. John Johnson, Rector of Clondevaddock, Co. Donegal, and his wife, Mildred Hamilton, and settled on her the estate of Abbeylara, Co. Longford, which he had purchased. She died in Digges Str., 1763, in which year her will was proved. She was buried with her husband in St. Kevin's Churchyard, Dublin, where a stone is on the grave with the following inscription: "Here lyeth the Body of Thos. Ball, Esq., who departed this life the 9th of Augst., 1742, aged 44 years, as also the Body of Mildred Ball, otherwise Johnson his Wife, who departed this Life 31st of July, 1763, aged 55 years. Also the Body of the Revd. John Johnson, Brother of the said Mildred Ball, who departed this life 26th of Octr., 1771, aged seventy one years."

Thomas Ball by Grace Acton had four children, viz.:—

I. Thomas Ball, of Seapark, Co. Dublin, born 1727, baptized in St. Bride's Church, May 1st, 1727, died

1798, will proved 21st March, 1800, buried in Trinity Church, Chester. At the West End of the South Aisle of that Church, on a white marble tablet, is the following inscription: "Near this place lieth the body of Thomas Ball, Esq., of the Kingdom of Ireland, who departed this life the 1st day of Novr., 1798, aged 71 years."

He mentions in his will his estates of Creggan, Killevy, Loughgilly, and Newton Hamilton and Newton Stewart, in the County Armagh, and of Ratoath, in Co. Meath. In 1749 he was High Sheriff of County Armagh. He married, in 1748, Philippa, daughter of Revd. Samuel Ussher, Rector of Dungans-town, Co. Wicklow (son of John Ussher, Master of Chancery, who was descended from Sir Wm. Ussher), by whom he had issue, of whom below.

II. Abraham, baptized in St. Bride's Church, Dublin, 1728, educated and died at Portora School, Enniskillen.

III. Grace Ball, spinster, of Cuffe Street, Dublin, died 1754, buried in St. Bride's, June 24th of that year. In her will she mentioned her half-brothers John, Wm. Robert, and James Ball, her uncle William Acton, Esq., and her brother Samuel Ball.

IV. Samuel Ball, Captain in the 6th Dragoon Guards, served in Germany 1764, afterwards of Grouse Hall, Inishowen, County Donegal, which he held under Lord Donegal; will proved 1794. There is a newspaper notice, 10 Jan., 1755, of the Promotion of Samuel Ball, Lieut. in Lord George Sackville's Regt.

He married Catherine, daughter of the Revd. Arthur Chichester and his wife Mary, daughter of Henry O'Neill, Esq., of Shane's Castle. By her he had issue, viz.:—

William Chichester Ball, Brevet-Major 85th Regt., died s.p. at Genoa on his way from Malta, and three daughters. 1. Mary, wife of Archdeacon John Torrens, who had a daughter, Grace Torrens, wife of Lord

O'Neill, and two sons. 2. Grace Elizabeth, died unmarried. 3. Catherine, died unmarried.

V. Norman Ball, 1735.

Thomas Ball\*, the owner of Cullyhana, in the parish of Creggan, had issue by his marriage with Philippa Ussher, firstly, Thomas Ball, of Sidney Place, Bath, and of Clifton, born 1748, who married, 4th July, 1795, Mary, daughter of Mr. Prideaux, of — Place, Cornwall, bap. Padstow, 16th Novr., 1764, marriage at Walcot, Bath, 1st Aug., 1795, settlement dated 4 July previous. She died at Bath July 2, 1802. Thos. Ball, of Bath, died in 1825. A will, dated 21 Novr., 1818, disposed of his freehold in Bath. A second will, dated 6th Oct., 1824, was proved 20th Sept., 1825, by Thomas Ball, of High Park, in Co. Dublin. In it the Testator says he had lived for many years in the parish of Bathwick, and desires to be interred in the parish of Newtown St. Loe, in Somerset, mentions his son and two daughters, appoints Thos. Ball, Master of Chancery, and his brother, John Ball, of Dublin, Trustees; mentions his brothers Samuel Ball and James Ball, desires any one succeeding to his estates and not bearing the name of Ball, to assume it. Mentions three natural daughters, appoints son and Master Ball Exors.

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\* The following entries in the Creggan Vestry Book are interesting :—"1766. It is agreed that Thos. Ball, Esq., shall have the ground in ye church that belonged to John Ball, Esq., to repair ye seats." "Ground next to that, to Thos. Ball, Esq., to build a seat on, viz.: that ground in which the Balls are buried." 1777. "Seats confirmed to Thos. Ball, Esq., and his family for ever." Also the Silver Communion Vessels have this inscription: "The gift of John Ball, Esq., to the Church of Creggan in ye County of Armagh, Feby., ye 8, 1739." In 1741 Thos. Ball, Esq., was churchwarden. (Information received by kindness of Revd. Gordon Scott, Rector of Creggan).

1. Thomas Ball\*, by his wife, Mary Prideaux, had issue :—

1. Thomas Prideaux Ball, born 1796, matric. Trin. Coll., Oxon, 13 March, 1814, aged 17, died July 21, 1869, at 22, Onslow Square, Brompton, Middlesex; married Sarah, daughter of (?), who died 4 July, 1866, and had issue, who died before 1857. His will was dated 28 Feby., 1852, pr. 16 March, 1870; in it he appointed his wife and John James, residing in Guernsey, his Trustees; mentions John Ball, of Dunleer; entailed property on his own children, and in case they died, on the children of his sister, Mary Philippa Tharp, and on the children of his sister Jenny Eleanor Michell; Codicil (1) dated 15 April, 1857. Codicil (2) mentions nephew Horace Neville Tharp, of 7, Alfred Place, W. Brompton, and his niece Eleanor Mary James, dated 1 April, 1864. (No. 3) mentions death of wife; (4) dated 17 April, 1867; (5) dated 5 Aug., 1868.

2. Mary Philippa, who married John Tharp, Esq., of Dean's Valley, in Jamaica, and had issue Horace Nevill Tharp, exor. to his uncle; who married Augusta Mary, daughter of Arthur Lyttelton Annesley, Esq., and died s.p. 21st Feb., 1902, at Villa di Camerata, Florence.

3. Jane Eleanor, who married Revd. John Michell, Vicar of Freshford, and had issue (1) Montague Thomas Ball Michell, Lieut. 41st Foot, d.y.; (2) a daughter, married Mr. Bythesea, 39, Adelaide Crescent, Brighton.

Thomas Ball and Philippa Ussher had issue, secondly, John, d.s.p., Private Secretary to Governor Forbes, died at Nassau, Bahamas; thirdly, Samuel Ball, Capt. Royal Marines, and of Urker House, Cross-

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Thos. Ball, of Bath, had also an illegitimate son, John Ball, of Henry Str., Dublin, and Red Lion, Surgeon, who married Novr. 16, 1811, Eliza Clare, of Claremount, and had issue, 1, General Wm. Clare Ball, Army Pay Department, died 1900, at Chudleigh, Devon; 2, Thomas, went to America; 3, Benjamin.

maglen, Churchwarden of Creggan 1804, 1805, died 1843; married Miss Mary Heward, of Cumberland, and had issue:—1. Margaret Ball, who died Decr. 14, 1900, at 6, Castle Terrace, Dundalk. 2. Jane, married Best Weir, of Tullymurry House, County Down, and had one son, R. Saml. Ball Weir, late of Dundalk, and two daughters, Margaret and Philippa. 3. Frances, married Wm. Page. 4. Elizabeth, married, 1823, Robert Page, M.D. 5. Mary, married, 1829, James Johnston, Esq. 6. Philippa, married G. Harvey, M.D. 7. Emily. 8. Samuel Ball, Jun., Churchwarden of Creggan, 1835, married by Armagh Dio. Lic., 1840, Mary O'Callaghan (R.C.), who died July 14, 1892, at her son's residence, Belfast; Samuel and Mary Ball had issue: (1), Thomas Ball, M.D., 12, College Square East, Belfast; (2), Mary Ball.

Thomas and Philippa Ball had issue, fourthly, Abraham Ball, born 21st October, 1759, B.A., T.C.D., 1779, married, 1787, Mary, daughter of Richard Platt, Esq., Deputy Baron of the County Palatine of Chester, by whom he had issue: 1. Thomas Gerrard Ball, born 1790, entered the 34rd Regt., 1809, Capt., 7 April, 1814, Capt. 8th Regt., 25th Decr., 1817, wounded at Waterloo, Major-General in the army, died at Chester, 1881, aged 90; he married, first, Eliza, daughter of Hon. Edward Massey, son of Lord Massey; she died 1862. He erected to her memory a marble tablet in Trinity Church, Chester, with an inscription, of which part runs: "To the memory of Elizabeth, wife of Thos. Gerrard Ball. Died suddenly on 17th Oct., 1862, of asthma, and is interred near this tablet."

Thos. G. Ball married, secondly, 3rd May, 1860, Charlotte, 3rd daughter of Wm. Mason, Esq., of Beverley, Yorks., who died s.p.; he married, thirdly, Catherine Agnes Jones, the youngest daughter of the late Revd. Canon Jones, Vicar of Llanraidr, Denbigh, who survived him, and married, secondly, General Adair, of 7, Stanley Place, Chester.

A brass eagle lectern in Trinity Church, Chester, is inscribed:—

"In memory of Abraham Ball, Esq., and Mary, his wife. Presented by Eleanor Massey, of Moston, their daughter, and Eleanor Massey, their grdr., 1868. General Thos. Gerard Ball died a few days before Christmas Day, 1881, in his 91st year, and was buried 24th Decr. in Chester Cemetery, one of the oldest officers in the British Service. He went thro' the Peninsula Campaign in 34th Regt., June, 1809, to Novr., 1813, Badajoz, Busaco, and Albuera, Victoria where wounded, and the Pass of Maya where severely wounded."

Abraham Ball had, secondly, a daughter Eleanor, who married Richard Massy, Esq., of Moston Hall, Cheshire, and had three sons and two daughters.

Fifthly, William Ball, Royal Marines, killed on board the frigate *Pallas*, in the American War, 1770.

Sixthly, Robert Ball, of the 15th Hussars, and afterwards of the Co. Wicklow; married Louisa Grose, of Bath, who died 1844 at Clifton, leaving issue—1. Robert. 2. Louisa, married J. Pitt Bonteen. 3. Frances Georgiana, born 1804, died May 11th, 1866. 4. Justina Selenah, born 1805, died May 11th, 1871, aged 66. In the new cemetery, Cheltenham, there is a stone to their memory.

Seventhly, James Ball, born 1787, died Sept. 16th, 1851, aged 74, married Elizabeth Deey, 29th March, 1803, died 12th Jan., 1859, had issue:—1. James, Lieut. 83rd Foot, died at Malta, d.s.p., 1829. 2. Elizabeth, of 28, Clare Str., Dublin, died 12th Oct., 1873, aged 69. A stone to their memory is in St. Kevin's Churchyard.

Eighthly, Grace Ball, married Isaac Ambrose Eccles, of Cronroe, Co. Wicklow.

Ninthly, Eleanor Ball, born 1768, married Captain Francis Drouly, of the 1st Regt. of Life Guards; she died Feb. 12th, 1841; there is a stone to her memory in St. Mary's Cemetery, Cheltenham.

Tenthly, Frances Catherine Ball, married William Webster, Lieut. R.N.

## THE SHIRLEY BALL BRANCH OF THE BALLS OF CREGGAN.

Thomas Ball; of Creggan, by his second wife, Mildred Johnson, had issue, viz.:—

1. John Ball, d.s.p., mentioned in the will of his step-sister, Grace Ball, 1754.

2. William Ball, of Rathmines, Capt. Royal Marines, who inherited from his mother the estate of Abbeylara, Co. Longford, and also owned Gerardstown, Co. Meath, and the west side of Rathmines Road. He married, on 3rd Jany., 1776, Miss Ann Hamilton, niece to Sir Henry Hamilton, Bart.; she died 1789. William Ball died 1792, leaving by will (Prerog.) Abbeylara to two trustees, charged with £1,600 for his two younger sons and only daughter, and then for the use of his eldest son Thomas; to his sister-in-law, Miss Shirley Hamilton, he leaves Rathmines Road, and mentions his brother Robert's three daughters. Captain William Ball and his wife were both buried in St. Kevin's Churchyard, Dublin. They had issue:—(1), Thomas Ball, Master in Chancery, a Friendly Brother of St. Patrick's, born in 1778, of High Park, Co. Dublin, and Abbeylara, who married in 1802 Jane, daughter of George Palmer, Esq., a Governor of the Bank of Ireland. Thomas Ball died in 1826, and is buried in St. Patrick's Cathedral, where there is a monument to his memory in the Lady Chapel.

Thomas and Jane Ball had issue:—I. William Shirley Ball, born 1805, died 31st December, 1866, married 1835 Jane, daughter of Cosby Wilton, Esq., who died 30th Jan., 1866, leaving issue two sons and two daughters.

II. George Palmer Ball, born 1806, went to New Zealand; married a daughter of Col. Haslewood, of Madras, by whom he had a son, Arthur Throgmorton Ball, who inherited and sold Three Castles.

III. Anne.



IV. Jane, married Revd. Wm. Armitage Moore, Rector of Cavan, father of the Countess of Annesley.

Wm. Shirley Ball, by his wife Jane, had issue:—1. Thomas Shirley Ball, born 1837, Lieut. 10th Hussars, died 6th September, 1867; married Alice Georgina, eldest daughter of Revd. W. Norton, Rector of Baltinglass, but left no issue. 2. Capt. Arthur Shirley Ball, of the 59th Regt., afterwards of the 8th Hussars, who married, 1869, Cecilia, daughter of William Humphrys, Esq., of Ballyhaise, Co. Cavan, by whom he had issue (1) Shirley Arthur, born 21st August, 1870, killed in a high jump at the Dublin Horse Show, August, 1900; (2) Cecil Herbert, born 18th March, 1872; Captain Arthur Shirley Ball, died April 8, 1881.

3. Jane Elizabeth Ball. 4. Georgina Ball, married 4th December, 1861, to Hon. Norman Leslie-Melville, Capt. Gren. Guards, fourth son of the Earl of Leven, born 5th Feb., 1839, and has issue Galfrid John, born 11th Novr., 1863; Florence Evelyn, died at Malta, 1884; another daughter, born 26th Novr., 1868.

Captain Wm. Ball, of the Royal Marines, had issue, secondly, John William Ball, one of the six Clerks of Chancery, d.s.p.; thirdly, Wm. Ball, d.s.p.; fourthly, Marian, born 1780, married George Nolan, Esq., of Geraldstown, Co. Meath, 1798, and died 18 April, 1830, aged 49.

Thos. Ball of Creggan and Mildred Johnson had issue:—

3. Robert Ball, of Digges Street, Dublin, and Milltown, Attorney, 1761, died 1786, buried St. Peter's, Dublin, 31st August, married Catherine Gage, 13th November, 1765, at St. Peter's Church (she died March, 1808), and by her had issue, with others: (1) Mildred Mary Margaret, bap. 3rd May, 1771, married to Charles Ball, barrister-at-law, son of the Revd. Stearne Ball, of Drogheda. (2) William Ball, bap. 26 June, 1772, died 21 June, 1839, of Buncrana, and Derry (*cf.* Census,

1821), Lieut. 58th Regt., but left the army, and married Sarah, only daughter of Dr. Cooke, of Dublin, born 1774. They had five children to survive—1. Revd. John Gage Ball, born 19th Decr., 1800, B.A. 1825, M.A. 1832, ordained 1823, of Churchtown, near Cookstown, Co. Derry, P. Curate of All Saints, Co. Donegal, Rector of Killybegs for 29 years, died 23 April, 1890, aged 90; he married Margaret, only daughter of William McClintock, of Dunmore, Londonderry, and had issue—1st, Alice Catherine, married, 1864, Revd. Henry James Carpenter, of Liverpool (eldest brother of the Bishop of Ripon). He afterwards went to Boston, became a Unitarian preacher, a poet, and a leading Nationalist, and married a second time. 2nd, William, died 16th May, 1872. 3rd, Mildred Mary. 4th, Mary Anne. 5th, Sarah Florinda, who married, 28th Sept., 1897, Wm. Nelson Byng, Comr. R.N. Rev. John Gage Ball was friend and neighbour of Revd. W. Archer Butler, and attended him in his last illness in 1848. Wm. Ball, of Derry, had—2, Mildred, born 1805, died unmarried; 3, Sarah, born 1807, died unmarried; 4, Mary, born 1814, died unmarried Novr., 1884; 5, Anne, born 1815, married Revd. Hugh Norman, second son of Charles Norman, Esq., Glengollen, Co. Donegal, by whom she had six sons; she died in 1883.

Robert Ball, of Digges Str., had issue (3) Susanna, bap. May 30, 1773, buried St. Peter's 11 April, 1774; (4) Ann, bap. 28 May, 1774; (5) Elizabeth, bap. July 13, 1775, married to Revd. Dr. George Miller, F.T., C.D., 1793, and died July 17th, 1840, buried in Coolock Churchyard. Co. Dublin; they had 20 children, of whom the eldest daughter married Latham Blacker, and was mother of the Revd. Beaver H. Blacker, a noted Antiquary; a son was the late Stearne Ball Miller, Judge of the Bankruptcy Court, Dublin; (6), Florinda, died unmarried, buried at Ballymakenny, near Drogheda.

Thomas and Mildred Ball had issue fourthly—

James Ball, Lieut. 2nd Foot, and afterwards Capt. East Kent Militia; he became a wine merchant at 43, Jervis Street, and died Feb., 1787. He married in 1772 Florinda Gage, of Armagh, buried at St. Peter's, 25 Sept., 1803. By her he had issue—1. John Ball, sch. 1807, B.A. 1809, lived in Upper Gardiner Str., Dublin, died 1826, will proved same year, had a son Hugh, who went to Australia. In 1803 John Ball married Miss Ann Leckey, by whom he had issue, the last surviving one being Ann Ball, of Corrig Avenue, Kingstown.

2. Revd. William Ball, LL.B., Vicar Choral of Armagh, Rector of Dungannon (Drumglass), 1814; Bishop Reeves told an anecdote of him to the writer, that on one occasion he preached before Primate Stewart in the Cathedral, and on their return to the Chapter Room the Primate observed: "Mr. Ball, I heard something during your sermon that I never heard before." Mr. Ball replied: "May I ask your Grace what it was?" The Primate rejoined: "I heard the clock strike twice, Mr. Ball, and I never wish to hear such a thing again."

3. Mildred, on Dec. 29, 1803, married H. W. Beavan, of Swansea, and had a daughter.

4. Florinda Elizabeth, died unmarried.

We now return to Abraham Ball, the second son of Abraham Ball, of Darver Castle. He married in 1740 Sarah Ball, daughter of Revd. John Ball, of Lisrenny, Co. Louth, and of Dorcas, his wife, and died at his residence, Poughenstown, Co. Louth, in 1788, intestate. By Sarah, his wife, he had issue—I. Abraham Ball, of Darver, born c. 1741, who died in 1809 unmarried. His will was proved at Drogheda the 9th Sept., 1809, by his sister, Dorcas Ball, who died 1821, when her niece, Sarah Ball, administered. Darver, consisting of 195 acres, was held under Lundy Foot, Esq. Abraham's brother, John, some years since quitted the kingdom, and not lately heard from. If in seven years

he return he leaves him £200; will dated 2nd July, 1798. II. Sarah Ball, spinster, w.p. 1810. III. Dorcas, died 1821. IV. John Ball, who had gone away, and whose whereabouts was not known (could he have been the John Ball, born 1756, who settled from the East of Ireland at Adare?). V. Thomas Ball, of Abbey Str., Dublin, Attorney, who died intestate, 1798, married, 9 Jan., 1782, Elinor, daughter of Revd. Dr. Hewetson, and had issue:—1. Dorcas, bap. St. Mary's, Kilkenny, Decr. 17, 1782. 2. Jane, married Mr. O'Brien. 3. Abraham Ball, of Darver, Co. Louth, and subsequently of South Darver, Co. Kilkenny, "Sheriff Ball," will proved 1825. He married Martha, daughter of James Wemyss, Esq., of Danesfort, Co. Kilkenny, by whom he had no issue. 4. Florinda. 5. Elizabeth, wife of Thomas Thornhill, of Donnybrook, 1840. 6. Sarah, wife of Edward Roe, of Draughanstown, Co. Louth, 1840. 7. Elinor, born June 4, 1790, wife of Robert Greer, of Middle Alley, Drogheda, 1840.

VI. Revd. Stearne Ball, named after his maternal uncle; born 1752, B.A. 1772, Rector of Odogh, 1796, Prebendary of Aghoure in St. Canice's Cathedral, died 1825. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Revd. Thos. Hewetson, LL.D., Head Master of Kilkenny (and subsequently Prebendary of Aghoure, Rector of Clarah, Vicar of St. John's, Kilkenny, died April, 1782). Stearne Ball by her had issue:—1. Captain Thomas Hewetson Patrick Ball, of the 81st Regt. (h. pay, 25 March, 1816), then of Ballyragget Lodge, Co. Kilkenny, and afterwards of Bellevue, Middlesex, Ontario, who died 22 Aug., 1855. He married Frances, daughter of Colonel Wemyss, of Danesfort (who married, secondly, — Clements), by whom he had issue—

(1) Martha Helen Ball, married 6 Jan., 1838, Charles Madden, both d.s.p.

(2) Stearne John Ball, of Newbury, Middlesex, Ont., married Theodosia, daughter of James Ledwith, of

Ledwithstown, Co. Longford, and had issue—Thomas Ernest; Maria Helen, married Revd. Wm. Deacon, B.A., decd., leaving three sons: Stearne John Overington Ball; Frances Sophia Ball, married Wm. Stokes, of Windsor, Ont., and has issue; James Reginald Wemyss Ball, unmarried; Shirley Becher, unmarried.

(3) Thomas Hewetson Ball, d.s.p., never married.

(4) Eliza Emma (Amy), married the late Colonel James Shanly, of London, Ont., and Thorndale, and died leaving one son, Charles James Nisbitt Shanly, Canadian Civil Service.

(5) Frances, married Harry George Acklam Allen, of Mapps, Barbadoes, both d.s.p.

(6) James Ball, died at Melbourne, unmarried.

(7) Abraham Wemyss Ball, of Melbourne (1890).

John Ball, third son of Abraham and Florinda Ball, of Darver, was born at Dundalk, 1698, entered T.C.D. Feb. 1715, B.A. 1720, was ordained, and in his marriage licence, dated 24th Decr., 1729, is described as "Revd. John Ball, of St. Mary's Parish, Dublin, Clk." He married his first cousin Norminda, daughter of William Garstin and Martha Ball. He died before the decease of his father in 1740. 4. Elizabeth Ball, wife of Thomas Candler, of Kilbline, Co. Kilkenny, 1735. 5. Frances Ball, wife of George Shenton, and mother of Richard Shenton, who married Dorothea M. Ball, of Three Castles. 6. Norman Ball, 4th son, alive in 1756.

Of the remaining children of Thomas Ball, of Fleetwood's Horse, the fourth son, Samuel, must have died young.

Martha, the fifth child, married William Garstin, son of Symon Garstin, a brother officer of Thomas Ball's, and by him had issue, William Garstin, d.s.p. 1701, and Norminda, who in 1729 married her first cousin, Revd. John Ball, and after his death, at Stabannon, Co. Louth, married Revd. Thomas Rice,

Vicar of Charlestown, in 1741. 6. Frances, must have died young. 7. Mary, d.y. 8. Elizabeth, married Simon Goodwin, Esq., cf. Chancery Decree, 10 Feb., 1693-4, petition 1692. Defendants John and Abraham Ball. The Plaintiffs shall recover from them £1,000 charged on the estates of their brother, Thos. Ball, decd. The Plffs. to receive for 7 years rents of estate in Co. Kerry now set to Daniel McCarty.

There is a will also of Thomas Ball, of Corlis, in the parish of Creggan, and barony of Upper Fewes, Co. Armagh, wife Ann Ball, als Hamilton; three sons, Abraham, John, and William. Testator had a house in Crossmaglen, and property in Corlis. Exor., John Hamilton of Crossmaglen. Witnesses, J. Hamilton and Hugh Connor.

## CHAPTER VI.

## THE BALL FAMILY OF ARDEE, CO. LOUTH.

A Peter Ball, merchant, of Ardee, in 1640 took proceedings in Chancery against Andrew Babe and Lawrence Garland, to whom in 1637 his wife Anne had lent money.

Jonathan Ball, a Commonwealth officer, and probably of the family of the Balls of Chester, settled at Ardee about 1650, where he obtained lands by lot. The Barony of Ardee was appropriated to "Old Irish Protestants," under the Cromwellian Settlement. He may have been a son of Peter Ball above-mentioned. From the Corporation Records of Ardee we find that Jonathan Ball was one of a committee appointed in 1661 to settle a table of fees. In 1663, 3rd Sept., he was sworn a Burgess, and Henry Townley and Jonathan Ball, Esqs., were sworn as Portreeves on Sept. 29 for the ensuing year. In 1664-5, 16 Jan., he was sworn a Common Council man. 29th Sept., 1666, Jonathan Ball, Esq., chosen Portreeve again, was sworn. In 1672 he signed the Address of Loyalty for the Co. Louth. He was Portreeve again in 1669 and 1670. In 1673 Jonathan Ball, the elder, was chosen Treasurer. In 1680 he was chosen Valuator. In 1684-5 he was again sworn Portreeve. He appears to have been alive in 1697, and probably died shortly after. The Balls, Jonathan and his son Samuel, are stated in a Chancery Bill to have been persons of great influence in Ardee.

In 1670 Jonathan Ball, Thomas Pierce, Conolly, and other soldiers whose lots fell in Ardee, petitioned the Privy Council, stating that they had laid out much

money in improving the town, then it was taken from them; and they asked for a restoration to them. His wife's name is not known. His eldest son was the Revd. Jonathan Ball, born c. 1648. On April 26, 1669, Jonathan Ball, Junr., petitioned for the freedom of the town, and was sworn. He was ordained at Dublin in Jan., 1676, and on May 23, 1685, was appointed Rector of Clonkeen, but his name does not occur among the graduates of Trin. Coll., Dublin. From MS., F. 4—3, T.C.D., we learn that with his wife and five children he fled to Chester in 1688, being then worth £100 a year, and while there his name appeared in Jac. II. Act of Attainder. From Lodge's notes (in Armagh Library) it appears that he was Vicar of Tallanstown and Charlestown before 1696. See also Record Reports iii., 659, &c. After the Revolution he returned, and was again Vicar. In June, 1696, he resigned the living. He died in 1708, his will being proved 20th of April in that year in the Drogheda Registry.

Revd. Jonathan Ball married, firstly, 1683, Frisweed, daughter of Capt. Robert Stearne, of Lord Fleetwood's Foot Regt., and of Tullynally, Co. Westmeath (who d. 1660), and his wife, Anne Stevens, who married, secondly, Robert Pakenham, of Bracklin, and d. 1706. Through Mrs. Ball the names of Frisweed and Stearne came into the Ball family. It passed down from Frideswide Crosby, whose daughter, F. Andrews, married — Stevens, and was mother of Mrs. Robert Stearne. Robert Stearne was son of John Stearne, of Greenane, Co. Down, and Mabel, daughter of Robert Bermingham, of Ballogh, Co. Dublin, by his wife Margaret, a sister of Archbishop James Ussher. By Frisweed Stearne the Revd. Jonathan Ball had issue five children, of whom two survived him, viz.: John and Stephen, mentioned in Mrs. Pakenham's will, 1706. The latter was made freeman of Ardee in 1708, and died intest. May, 1713, at Johnstown, Co. Louth. Revd. Jonathan



Ball married, secondly, on Novr. 7, 1695, at St. Nicholas' Church Within, Dublin, Miss Abigail Barry, 7th daughter of Revd. Wm. Barry, by his second wife, Elizth. Kelly (Mr. Barry's first wife was Margaret, daughter of Archdeacon Luke Ussher). By her Mr. Ball had issue four children, viz.: Elizabeth, Charles, Anne, and Christian. Mrs. Abigail Ball died at Drogheda, where her will was proved in 1742.

Elizabeth, her eldest daughter, died unmarried; her will was proved at Drogheda, 27 Feb., 1760. Charles died unmarried, and was buried at St. Peter's, Drogheda, 26th October, 1758. Anne married Christopher Rice in 1730, and was living in 1742. Christian Ball died intestate in Dublin in 1766.

We turn now to John Ball, the eldest son of Revd. Jonathan Ball by his first wife, Miss Stearne.

John Ball, who was born at Ardee in 1684, and educated by Mr. Henry Petty, entered Trin. Coll., Dublin, in 1700, became B.A. in 1704, was ordained in 1707, and became Vicar of Charlestown, Co. Louth, on 25th Jan., 1710. He lived at Lisrenny, where he died in 1737, his will being proved at Drogheda 13th August in that year. He bequeathed the paternal estate of Johnstown to his eldest son Stearne; leaves £500 each to his son Richard and his daughters, Frisweed, Dorcas, Sarah. His wife, Dorcas Ball, executrix; Joseph Shackleton and Wm. Filgate, witnesses.

His widow, Dorcas Ball, whose maiden name is uncertain, but who was probably sister to Wm. Filgate, of Lisrenny, appears to have settled at Kilkenny, where in April, 1777, admon. of the goods of Dorcas Ball, widow, of Bishop's Lough, Kilkenny, was granted to Elinor Campbell, widow, of Kilkenny.

Revd. Stearne Ball, eldest son of Revd. John Ball, was born in 1720, educated by Dr. Clarke, entered T.C.D. Dec. 5, 1739, aged 19, graduated B.A. in 1743. In 1742 Stearne Ball, gent, of Lisrenny, made a lease

of the lands of St. John's Rath, Co. Meath, 88 acres for 3 lives to Joseph Bury. He was ordained Priest on Aug. 17, 1747, was curate of Stabanon 1748, Curate of St. Peter's, Drogheda, 1772-1777, and also Chaplain of the 124th Regt. He married, about 1743, Hannah Wardlaw, sister of the Dean of Elphin, and died in 1777, leaving by will to his eldest son John the paternal estate of Johnstown, Co. Louth, and £600 to his six younger children, viz.: Wardlaw, Charles, Catherine, Stearne, Hannah, and Rose Ann Ball. An inscription on a flat stone in St. Peter's Churchyard, Drogheda, thus commemorates him:—

"Under this stone lieth the Body of the Revd. Sterne Ball, who departed this life on the 18th day of July, in the year of our Lord 1777, aged 57 years. Here lieth also the Body of Hannah his wife who departed this life on the 18th day of November, 1790, aged 73 years. Underneath lieth the Body of Katharine Johnstone who departed this life on the 11th day of January in the year of our Lord 1800, aged 77 years and six months. Here also lieth the Body of Sterne Ball, son of John Ball, one of his Majesty's Serjeants, and of Mary his wife, and grandson of the abovesaid Sterne Ball, minister; who departed in the 18th year of his age, the 5th of May, 1810."

Revd. Stearne Ball had issue by Hannah, his wife:

1. John Ball, born 1744, of Johnstown, Co. Louth, and Dublin, M.P. for Drogheda, 1796-1800, second Sergeant-at-Law, 1806-1813. He died August 24, 1813, and is buried in St. Peter's Church, Drogheda, on the north side. Inscriptions to his memory are in St. Peter's Church, Drogheda, and in St. Patrick's, Dublin. The latter was written by Peter Burrowes, and was set up by the unanimous vote of the Irish Bar. Sergeant Ball was an opponent of the Union, against which he delivered eloquent speeches.

He married 30th August, 1791, Mary, daughter of Mr. Osborne, of Dardistown Castle, Co. Meath, by whom he had issue:—1. Stearne Ball, born 1792, died 1810 at Derryvullen Rectory, Co. Fermanagh. 2. John Ball, of Kingstown, Sheriff of Drogheda 1816, died 24th October, 1837. 3. Francis Ball, B.A., 1818,



JOHN BALL, M.P. FOR DROGHEDA, 1796-1800,  
2ND SERGEANT-AT-LAW, 1806-13.



MOTHER FRANCES M. TERESA BALL,  
SUPERIOR GENERAL OF THE LORETTO CONVENT, RATHFARNHAM, CO.,  
DUBLIN, FROM A CAST AFTER DEATH.  
(BORN 1794, DIED 1861)



Barrister-at-Law, Recorder of Drogheda, 1832, married Caroline Christmas Harris, who died 14th Decr., 1876, by whom he had issue, with two daughters, of whom one was married, one son, Colonel Francis Tipping Ball, late of 17, Cranley Gardens, London, S.W., deceased, who married Maria Elizabeth, daughter of the late Edwin Maddy, Esq., and niece of the late Lord Hatherley, by whom he had issue:—(a), Mary Edith Caroline; (b), Frances Hintulla.

4. Margaret Ball, married Hugh O'Reilly, Esq., J.P. for Co. Meath, and of Rathaldron Castle, Navan. They and Ellen Ball are buried in St. George's graveyard, Dublin. Mrs. O'Reilly had issue:—(1) Hugh, (2) Sophia Eliza, married 18 August, 1855, Revd. Beaver Henry Blacker, M.A., Incumbent of Booterstown; (3), Mary (4), Margaret.

5. Mary, married Mr. Watters. 6. Ellen, of Dargan Terrace, Bray, d. 17 July, 1867, in Kingstown.

Revd. Stearne Ball had issue by Hannah, his wife:

II. Revd. Wardlaw Ball, sch. Trinity Coll., Dublin, 1775, B.A. 1777, ordained Priest at Kilmore 16 Novr., 1782; Rector of Kilshiney, Co. Meath, 1790-1804, and Rector of St. Peter's, Drogheda, 1804-1829. His will was proved 2nd October, 1830. He married Anna Maria, youngest daughter and co-heir of Joshua Warren, of Galtrim, Co. Meath, and widow of Joshua Evans, Esq., of Johnsfort, in the same county. She died at Portarlinton, Jan., 1850, and is buried in the French church there. They had no issue.

III. Charles Ball, B.A., T.C.D., Barrister-at-Law, M.P. for Clogher, married Mildred, daughter of Robert Ball, of Digges Str., Dublin, and his wife, Catherine Gage. Charles Ball, like his brother, was an opponent of the Union. His will was proved 1822.

IV. Stearne, mentioned in his father's will, and also in his brother Charles's will, 1822.

V. Catherine.

VI. Hannah.

VII. Rose Ann, married Mr. Wm. Younge in 1809.

The Rev. John Ball, of Lisrenny, by his wife Dorcas had issue, secondly, Richard Ball, Attorney-at-Law, born c. 1725, married, 1778, Dorothea Margaret Ball, daughter and heir of John Ball, of Three Castles, Co. Kilkenny, and widow of Richard Shenton. He was High Sheriff of Co. Kilkenny in 1788, and died in 1813. By her he had a son, Abraham Ball, who died 1814, leaving issue by Jane, his wife, daughter of Mr. James Wemyss, of Danesfort, whom he married in 1809, two sons, Richard and Abraham, and two daughters, Martha and Dorothea. The Revd. John Ball had, thirdly, Sarah, who married Abraham Ball. Fourthly, Frisweed, married, in 1747, Revd. Dawson Crowe, of Navan, Co. Meath. Fifthly, Dorcas.

Some of the first Jonathan Ball's descendants would seem to have settled in Dublin. In 1704, July 8, Catherine, daughter of Jonathan Ball, was baptized in St. Catherine's Church, also in the same Church, 29 March, 1706, Catherine, daughter of Jonathan and Ruth Ball, was baptized. On Oct. 10, 1761, John Ball was buried in St. Bride's Church, from Bride's Alley. On Sept. 16, 1751, Ann, daughter of Jonathan and Jemima Ball, of Bride's Alley, was baptized in St. Bride's Church. "In April, 1766, Mr. Jonathan Ball, an eminent cabinet maker in Bride's Alley, who had resided in Dublin from 1747, was married to Miss Mary Greville, of Carrickmines, with a handsome fortune." On August 1, 1795, his will was proved; leaves to Mary, his relict, two houses in Bride's Alley; two grand-nephews, John Ball Daniel and James Daniel—mentions lands of Furry Acre in the Co. Louth.

In Carrickmacross, Co. Monaghan, we find that a family lived who must have been related. Thus there is a Clogher M.L.B. of James Daniel and Margaret Ball, of Carrickmacross, 2 Augt., 1752. Also of John Fleming,

of Carrickmacross, Co. Monaghan, with Frisweed Ball, 21 Feb., 1770.

Early in 1799 Mr. John Ball, then representative for Drogheda, addressed his constituents on the then all absorbing question of the Union, "a subject," he writes, "the most awful and momentous that ever roused the attention or demanded the interference of a free people. An intention is now avowed on the part of Government, to demand from the Irish nation a perpetual surrender of its independence, and to transfer to the Parliament of Great Britain the legislative authority of this country. For my own part, feeling as I do, that you have placed me in Parliament as trustee and temporary guardian of your rights, I cannot adopt such a refinement of political sophistry, as would authorise me to annihilate and extinguish for ever that power, which you have delegated to me but for a limited period, nor shall anything short of your positive and express commands induce me to alienate or abandon that original and inherent privilege, which Ireland enjoys in common with every free nation, of being governed by its own laws, and taxed only by its own Parliament, a privilege for which other countries have fought and bled, and which has at all times been considered as the criterion and very essence of liberty. If you are unwilling to relinquish this invaluable privilege, if you do not wish to submit your property to the taxation of a foreign Parliament, your trade and manufactures to the regulation and control of a rival power; if, in short, you do not desire to hold your freedom, your property, the fruits of your industry and the advantage of your increasing commerce by the precarious tenure of English bounty, or English gratitude, let me exhort you to stand forward at the present crisis, exert that energy which belongs to you as a free, an opulent, and a commercial town, proclaim your opinion, as other great bodies in the Kingdom have done, and give weight and efficacy to the feeble

voice of your representative by the sanction of your authority."

In a week after this address, at a numerous meeting of freeholders of Drogheda, the following resolutions were unanimously agreed to :—

"That the Irish Parliament is not competent to enact any measure which has for its basis the subversion of the constitution of Ireland. That to be governed by our own laws and taxed by our own legislature is our dearest right, and the essence of our constitution. That in the increased prosperity of Ireland since 1782 we have a convincing proof of the advantage of that system which combines Irish independence with British connexion. That to change a system, whose excellence we have experienced, for speculative and uncertain advantages, would be absurd, dangerous, and unworthy of a rational and free nation. That from a recollection of the past we look with abhorrence on a measure which goes to lay again the interests of Ireland at the mercy of a British Parliament. That a legislative union must be inexpedient and undesirable for ever." A vote of thanks to Mr. Ball concludes the resolutions, which are signed by Sheriffs Beaver, Van Homrigh, and John Tandy.





MRS. BALL, OF DUBLIN (born 1702),  
MOTHER OF JOHN BALL, AND GRANDMOTHER OF JUDGE NICHOLAS BALL.  
(From a painting by A. de L, 1737.)



## CHAPTER VII.

MR. JOHN BALL, OF ECCLES STR., DUBLIN, AND HIS  
DESCENDANTS.

There is reason for thinking that John Ball, the father of Judge Nicholas Ball, was a member of a family settled at Ardee, in the County Louth. Family tradition has handed down the story that he came from somewhere between Dundalk and Drogheda, and even that he was one of the Ball family of Ardee, but no documentary evidence exists that could certainly decide his parentage. His burial entry, lately discovered in the Registers of St. Michan's Parish, Dublin, proves that when he died in October, 1804, he was seventy-six years of age, which would make 1728 the year of his birth. A portrait of a Mrs. Ball, painted in 1737, and which has been handed down in the family, represents a lady of good standing, and is believed to be the picture of John Ball's mother. On the back there is an inscription, as follows: "Mrs. Ball, aged 35, pinxit A. de L., 1737."

The obscurity still surrounding his parentage and the place of his birth, is accounted for if, as tradition says, he left the Established Church and entered the Roman Catholic Church. Such a step at that period must have caused him to experience a kind of religious ostracism, especially when we consider the grievous and severe disabilities under which members of that Communion lay until 1793.

It was in 1745 that the first measure of toleration was extended, but even after that it is sad to think how bitter was their lot.

The reason, no doubt, why John Ball was interred at St. Michan's Churchyard was that it was the only pre-reformation burial ground on the north side of Dublin at the period when he lived and died there.

The Balls of Ardee were descended, as stated in the previous chapter, from Jonathan Ball, a Commonwealth officer, who, with others, obtained grants of land in that town and neighbourhood, and had several sons. The eldest son, Revd. Jonathan Ball, was the ancestor of Sergeant John Ball, M.P. for Drogheda. Another son probably was John Ball, of Rathmollion, Co. Meath, who in 1684 married Anna Chapman. Two sons of his, John and Jonathan, appear to have had leases of land in that parish, which had belonged to Archbishop Bramhall and his daughter. A brother of theirs probably was Bramhall Ball, born in 1698 in the County Meath, and who, having entered the Roman Catholic Church, joined the Jesuit Order, and under the name of Father Bernard Baker died in London in 1773.

Another son of the first Jonathan Ball was Samuel Ball, gent., of Ardee, born c. 1651, made J.P. for the Co. Meath, April 25, 1677. In 1681 he became a freeman of Ardee. He married by licence in 1676 at Ardee Anne daughter of Mr. John Pierse, of Clintonstown, Co. Louth, and formerly of Flintshire.

In Easter, 1704, Samuel Ball and his wife Anne, and her sister Mary Forkes, als Pierse, filed a Bill in Chancery, stating that John Pierse being seized of Clintonstown, Regatstown, and Dromeath, in the Barony of Ardee, made his will 20th Decr., 1661, leaving to his three daughters, Anne, subsequently married to Samuel Ball, Mary, and Elizabeth, £100 each. John Pierse was his son. Mary Pierse, widow, the Exor., had lands near Cashell, Co. Tipperary, decreed to her as daughter and heir of Major John Bellay. In 1668 she made her will and left legacies, as widow of John Pierse the elder.

In 1714 Samuel Ball died at Ardee, leaving all by will to his wife, Anne. His son John and his daughters are mentioned.

This John Ball on June the first, 1723, was in possession of land let by the Corporation of Ardee to H. Townly and Jonathan Ball (probably in 1663); and it is ordered that the said land be let to John Ball, of Atherdee, merchant, for 20 years. The Ardee Registers previous to 1733 have perished, and no Balls have mention in the subsequent Registers. From this it would appear that John Ball, the son of Samuel, must have left Ardee between 1724 and 1733. Samuel Ball, gent., of Dromiskin, Co. Louth, in 1745, was witness to a deed of Abraham Ball, of Derver; this Samuel must have been a son of John Ball, merchant, of Ardee.

If John Ball of Ardee, merchant, was born c. 1677, he may have been married by 1700. A certain Lloyd Ball became a freeman of Ardee in 1724, having previously lived in Drogheda, where his daughter, Priscilla, was bapt. in St. Peter's Church, May 23, 1718, and died in infancy, as on Oct. 28, 1719, Priscilla, daughter of Lloyd and Jane Ball, of Bride Str., Dublin, was bapt. in St. Bride's Church. Whether Lloyd Ball was a younger brother of John Ball is not certain. He could hardly have been his son.

It is probable that John Ball, of Ardee, had a son Richard, who removed to Dublin. At all events, in April, 1728 (the year of the birth of John Ball, of Eccles Str.) a John Ball, son of Richd. and Abigail Ball, was baptized in St. Catherine's Church, Dublin, and in Decr., 1733, Diana, daughter of the same parents, was baptized in the same church. In the Registers of St. Peter's Church, Drogheda, on 28 Jany., 1655-6, Ann, daughter of Richard Ball, was buried, and on 19 April, 1656, Richard, son of Richard Ball, was born. In July, 1675, John Siddal and Mary Ball were married. On July 8, 1739, James Ball was

buried. In Aug., 1752, Mr. Richard Ball, merchant, of Drogheda, aged 20, died (cf. Pue's Occurrences).

This John, the son of Richard and Abigail Ball, born in 1728, could well have been identical with Judge Nicholas Ball's father.

Nothing is known about the early life of John Ball of Eccles Str., or the influences that led him to become a Roman Catholic; and practically the first light shed on his history is the notice in Pue's Occurrences of the marriage in April, 1766, of "Mr. John Ball, Ribbon Weaver in Nicholas Street, to Miss Byrne, of Saggard, Co. Dublin."

The Byrnes of Saggard were an old family of land-owners at Saggard, but having been engaged in the Rebellion of 1641 had forfeited their lands. They still, however, appear to have lived there, and there is a Dublin Consistorial Will, 1752, of Garret Byrne, of Saggard, farmer, which mentions his grandson, Martin Byrne, and his son, John Byrne, of Saggard, farmer.

Some of the Byrnes of Saggard moved to Dublin, and two brothers, John and Edward Byrne, were partners in a sugar-baking business at Mullinahack (or Wormwoodgate), in St. Catherine's Parish, Dublin. John Byrne died in 1780; his prerog. will was proved same year; Edward Byrne, whose residence was in North Great George's Str., Dublin, died in 1805. In his will, which was proved for £69,000, he mentions his nephew, John Ball, evidently the son of John Ball, of Eccles Str.

In the course of years John Ball made a good deal of money as a silk manufacturer and wholesale mercer in Nicholas Str., Castle Str., and Werburgh Str., Dublin. In 1793 he became a member of the Grand Jury of the Co. Dublin, the first R.C. juror after the passing of the Act of relief in that year.

His portrait, painted by John Comerford, represents him at the age of 65. He had issue by his first wife,



JOHN BALL, OF ECCLES STREET, DUBLIN,

SILK MANUFACTURER, BORN 1728, DIED 1804,

FATHER OF JUDGE NICHOLAS BALL.

(From a painting by John Comerford 1793 )





Miss Byrne, an only son, John Ball, Junr., born about 1767, and died 1812.

John Ball, Junr., was in partnership with his father in Werburgh Street from 1791 to 1795. Before that he had been living in Cadiz. He married Laura, daughter of a Mr. Noel, Solicitor, of London; she died 23rd Feb., 1863, having married, secondly, Mr. Michael Furnell, of Cahirelly Castle, Co. Limerick.

John Ball (II.), by Laura his wife, had issue a son, John Ball, and two daughters, of whom one married Mr. O'Rorke, and had issue Father Andrew O'Rorke, S.J., of Milltown Park, Co. Dublin; the other married Mr. Philip O'Reilly, of Colamber, Co. Westmeath.

John Ball (III.) married in 1843 Marianne, daughter of Mr. John Barry, of Sandville, Co. Limerick, and by her had issue:—

1. John Ball, born 1844, M.D., Assist. Surgeon 33rd Regt., died at Aldershot 1870, s.p.

2. Nicholas Francis Ball, manager of the Hibernian Bank, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal, born 1846, died 24 June, 1884, s.p., having married Miss Bridget Mary Byrne, of Wicklow, who survives him.

3. James Barry Ball, born 1848, M.D., F.R.C.P., now of 12, Upper Wimpole Street, London, W., who married on the 21st of November, 1892, Clare, daughter of Joseph Weld, Esq., 3rd son of Joseph Weld, Esq., of Lulworth, and has issue (1) John Ball, born 1893; (2), Clare Laura, born 1895.

4. Laura Mary Teresa, now a nun at the Loretto Abbey, Rathfarnham, Co. Dublin.

JOHN BALL, Esq., of Eccles Str., Dublin, married, secondly, 17th August, 1776, Mabel Clare Bennett, daughter of Nicholas Bennett, Esq., of Eyrecourt, Co. Galway, and of Thomastown, in the parish of Frankfort, King's County, and had issue by her four daughters and one son, viz.:—

1. Cecilia Ball, born 1784, entered the Ursuline Convent at Cork.

2. Anna Maria Ball, who married Mr. John O'Brien, and d.s.p.

3. Isabella Ball, who married Thomas Sherlock, of Dublin, and had issue—(1) John Sherlock, of Rahan, who died unmarried in 1885. (2) David Sherlock, Sergeant-at-Law, Q.C., M.P., died 1884, having married Elizabeth Therry, and left issue two sons and two daughters. (3) Mary Anne Sherlock, who died unmarried in Rome in 1883.

4. Frances Maria Theresa Ball, born 9 Jan., 1794, died 19 May, 1861, foundress and first Superior of the Loretto Abbey, Rathfarnham. There are two interesting lives of her. One, by Father Henry James Coleridge, S.J., was published in 1881 by Gill and Son, Dublin; the other, by Wm. Hutch, D.D., published by James Duffy and Sons, Dublin. She was educated at the Bar Convent, in York, the oldest R.C. Convent in England, and returned home at the age of fourteen, and six years after, having resolved to take the Veil, and to found a house of the same Order in Dublin, she returned to the Institute of the Blessed Virgin in York, and served her novitiate there; after seven years she returned, in 1821, to Dublin, and founded the well known Loretto Convent at Rathfarnham. Through her energy and zeal, in time branches were established all over Ireland, and the Irish House became the mother of branches in India, Mauritius, Canada, Ballarat, and Pretoria. This remarkable lady suffered with meekness the long pains and weakness caused by a fall and the fracture of the hip bone. She was removed from Rathfarnham to the Convent at Dalkey, where on the Feast of Pentecost, 1861, while the Magnificat was being recited, she peacefully and joyfully passed away. She was buried in the Church of the Loretto Abbey at Rathfarnham, which she had founded.

5. Nicholas Ball, the only son of John Ball, of Eccles Str., by his second marriage, was born in 1791, and

was only thirteen when his father died. He was educated at Stonyhurst, and matriculated in Trin. Coll., Dublin, 1808, took the degree of B.A. 1812, being a gold medallist; he was called to the Irish Bar in 1814, and being in possession of ample means was saved from the struggles which young barristers often have to undergo. He became M.P. for Clonmel, and in 1834 was appointed Attorney-General for Ireland. His son, Mr. John Ball, F.R.S., used to tell a story of his father, which throws a fresh light on that period of Irish history. As Mr. Ball with his son, then a lad of 16, was walking down Whitehall to the House of Commons, at the Corner of Downing Street they came upon Daniel O'Connell. "Ah, Ball," said the Liberator, "you must congratulate me! I am Attorney-General for Ireland." Late in the same evening he came up to them again, and said, "I rely on your honour not to mention to any one what I told you this afternoon. The King will not receive me, and it is you, not I, that are to be Attorney-General." The Author (P.F.) of "Recollections of Dublin Castle and Society," tells another anecdote, which he says he heard from the lips of Judge Ball himself. At the time of the late Queen's accession, he and Sir H. Barrow found the Privy Council assembling in the small hours, and entered with the rest, though not members of that body, and took their seats unquestioned. He described the young girl in mourning coming in and passing to the top of the table. When it came to signing, Barrow scrawled something illegible, and Mr. Ball wrote "*Nic. Batt.*" This must be taken, however, *cum grano salis*. In 1846 Mr. Ball was made a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, and for many years he was noted, when on Circuit, for a very amusing spirit of drollery, which used to cause great fun among those who heard it. It was his practice to assume ignorance of the meaning of certain countrymen and women whose

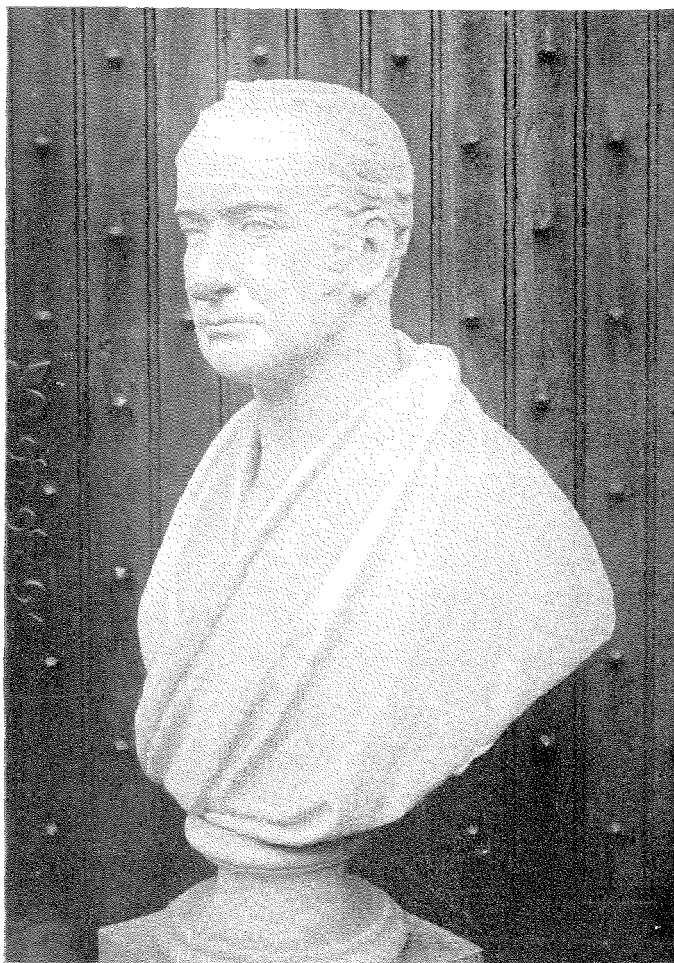
pronunciation was peculiar, and then to express his surprise at the so-called statements of the witnesses. Instances of this custom are given in W. Le Fanu's "Seventy Years of Irish Life." He was, however, a very able lawyer, and some of his judgments showed much legal acumen.

Judge Nicholas Ball died at Bray on Jany. 15, 1865, and was buried in the vaults of the Pro-Cathedral of Marlboro' Str., Dublin.

He married, in 1817, Jane Sherlock, daughter of Thomas Sherlock, of Butlerstown, Co. Kilkenny, by his marriage with Jane Mansfield, of Morristown. Mrs. Ball died in 1863, and was buried in the Pro-Cathedral, Dublin.

Judge Nicholas Ball by her had issue:—

I. John Ball, F.R.S., born in Dublin 20 August, 1818, died in London 21st October, 1889. His father, being a very liberal minded R. Catholic, sent his son, after finishing at Oscott, to Christ's College, Cambridge—a very uncommon step in those days. He came out 27th wrangler in 1839, but could not, under the statutes then in force, take a degree. He joined the Irish Bar in 1845, but never practised. He was appointed Assistant Commissioner of the Irish Poor Law Board in 1846, and after severe work during the famine of 1847 he resigned from ill-health, and went abroad, but in 1849 he was appointed 2nd Commissioner. It was during the famine that he formed his life-long friendship with the late W. E. Forster. In 1852 he resigned, and was elected Liberal M.P. for Carlow County. He at once made some mark in the House of Commons, supported what then seemed a somewhat advanced land programme, opposed all interference with convents, and supported Mr. Gladstone's proposal (1853) to extend the income-tax to Ireland. In 1855 he was made Under-Secretary for the Colonies in Lord Palmerston's Government, and held this office till 1858. At the general election in



RT. HON. NICHOLAS BALL, OF DUBLIN,  
2ND JUSTICE OF COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, BORN 1793, DIED 1865.  
(From a Bust done in Italy.)



that year he was opposed by the Irish priests, when contesting the City of Limerick. The cause of his defeat was that he refused to take sides against Piedmont and the Italian Revolution. From this time, being then in his fortieth year, he devoted himself to scientific pursuits.

In addition to the article on him in the Dictionary of National Biography, there is an interesting obituary notice of him in the *Times*, from which the present writer has taken much information, also in the Journal of the Royal Geographical Society there is a delightful account of his life and travels by Sir Joseph D. Hooker, K.C.S.I., and there is another by Professor Thiselton Dyer in the Journal of Botany for Decr., 1889.

His enthusiasm in the exploration of the Alps resulted in the publication of his famous and epoch-making "Alpine Guide" (1860-65), the result of some 20 years of travel and observation. He joined the Alpine Club on its first foundation, and was at once appointed its first President (1858-60).

The above mentioned articles describe at some length his investigations in Morocco, the Atlas Mountains, the Canaries, and South America. He was equally at home in the scenery and the flora and botany of those regions, and his many works and papers on these subjects are exhaustive and authoritative. Mr. Ball's means enabled him not only to travel widely, but also to make his London house the centre where a brilliant and learned company of friends and literary acquaintances met to enjoy his hospitality and experience his wonderful charm of manner and disposition. In the summer of 1889 he was taken ill in the Engadine, and returned to England. Immediately after his arrival in London he underwent an operation, which he only survived a few hours, dying in his house, 10, Southwell Gardens, South Kensington, at midnight on Oct. 21.

He married, first, in 1856, Elisa Parolini (daughter

of the Nobile Alberto Parolini, a distinguished naturalist and Oriental traveller), through whom he came into estates in Italy, including the Villa Cusinati, near Bassano.

Mrs. Ball was born at Bassano, 11th August, 1830, and died at Florence 12th June, 1867. Her father, born at Bassano 23rd June, 1788, died at Bassano 15th January, 1867; he married Giulia Londonio (4th daughter of Antonio di Londonio and his wife Maria Frapolli), born Milan, 1807, died at Bassano 14th Feb., 1840.

Mr. John Ball by his first wife had issue two sons.

1. Nicholas Albert Ball, born in London, 3 March, 1858, Clerk in the Foreign Office, unmarried. Address: Queen Anne's Mansions, London, S.W. Clubs: Brooks's and Wellington.

2. Albert John Anthony Ball, born in Pisa, Italy, on 7 December, 1861, graduated at Trinity Coll., Cambridge (1st Class Moral Science Tripos, 1883); Principal of the Sanitary Administration Department, Local Government Board, England. Address: 10, Southwell Gardens, London, S.W. Clubs: Athenæum and Savile.

Mr. John Ball, F.R.S., married, secondly, in 1869, Julia O'Beirne (daughter of F. O'Beirne, Esq., of Jamestown, Co. Leitrim, Ireland), who died on 17 Decr., 1905, leaving no issue.

Judge Nicholas Ball had issue:—

II. Thomas Ball, born in Dublin 10th August, 1821, d. there 10th August, 1864, Captain in the Dublin Militia, J.P. Co. Limerick; married in Dublin, 20th April, 1857, Nathalie Catherine Josephine Rosalie Van der Noot, only daughter of Baron Joseph Van der Noot de Moorsel, in the peerage of Belgium, by his wife Elizabeth, daughter of Langford Heyland, of Glendaragh and Tamlaght, Co. Londonderry, Ireland, and had issue, to survive: (1), John Joseph Francis Ball, of Château de Moorsel, Belgium, and of 160, Rue Belliard, Brussels, born in Dublin 24th Novr., 1859, married in





JOHN BALL, M.P., F.R.S.,  
FIRST PRESIDENT OF THE ALPINE CLUB.  
UNDER-SECRETARY FOR THE COLONIES 1855-1858  
BORN 1818, DIED 1889.



London, 20th Feby., 1889, Kathleen, only child of the late Thomas MacMahon, of Stone Hall, Co. Clare, by whom he has issue:—(1), Anthony Joseph Thomas Alexander, born 17th July, 1897. (2), John Alexander Nicholas, born 17 July, 1898.

Mrs. Thomas Ball's father, Baron Van der Noot, who distinguished himself during the Belgian Revolution of 1830, was a member of one of the oldest and most illustrious houses in Belgian history. His branch, to which belonged Henry Van der Noot, the hero of the Brabant Revolution of 1789, was descended from Gueldolph Van der Noot, Chancellor of Brabant in the 15th Century. His maternal grandfather, Baron de Meer de Moorsel, led a revolt against the French occupation in 1798, and paid the penalty of his patriotism with his life. The old Château de Moorsel is now the residence of Mr. J. J. Francis Ball, who inherits it through his mother, who married, secondly, at Moorsel, 1881, Emile C. G. Cumont, and is now, since 1885, a widow for the second time.

III. Nicholas Ball, B.A., T.C.D., 1845, barrister-at-law, born in Dublin, 1822, died unmarried 1859.

IV. Alexander Francis Ball, born Sept., 1826, formerly Captain in the 31st Regt., afterwards Resident Magistrate in Ireland, now living at Brussels.

V. Anthony Richard Ball, born 10 August, 1830, died in Brussels 10 Jan., 1879, entered the Priesthood as an Oratorian, and was afterwards attached to the Warwick Str. Mission, Golden Square, London. He was a Knight of the Order of Malta by Creation of his Holiness the Pope.

The daughters of Judge Nicholas Ball were:—

1. Jane Isabella Ball, who died in London, 1905, without issue, having married Henry Edward Doyle, Esq., C.B., some time Director of the National Gallery, Dublin, a son of the well-known caricaturist "H.B."

2. Anna Ball, a nun, died at the Bar Convent, York.

3. Mary Ball, a nun, died at the Bar Convent, York.

The Arms in use by John Ball, Esq., of Eccles Str., and cut on two old silver trays, in the possession of his great-grandson, Mr. Francis Ball, are as follows :

Argent, a lion rampant gules, holding a fireball proper. Crest, out of a ducal coronet or, a lion's jamb erect, grasping a fireball proper. Motto : "Fortis, ferox et celer."

## CHAPTER VIII.

THE BALL FAMILY, OF BAMPTON, CO. DEVON, AND YOUGHAL,  
CO. CORK.

Giles Balle, gent., was living at Bampton, a small town and parish in North Devon, in the year 1626, and for about 20 years previously. On the 23rd June, 1626, he filed a Bill in Chancery, in which he stated that "the Dean and Chapter of Sarum, being seized of the Rectory of Kenton, Co. Devon, and of a Manor belonging to it, did by a Deed dated 19 May, 3 and 4 Philip and Mary (1557) lease the same for 99 years to Giles Balle, of Mamhead, Co. Devon, and William Balle, his brother, and they entered into possession. About 30 years since (1596) being seized of half the sd. Rectory and Manor, Wm. Balle made overtures with Mrs. Alice Bandford, of Collumpton, Co. Devon, for a marriage of the orator, Giles Balle, Junr., and Anne Bandford, daughter of Alice. Mrs. Bandford promised to give Giles Balle, Junr., £100 or half of a parcel of ground with her daughter, and half of her goods after her death; and Wm. Balle, in consideration thereof, gave Giles, his son, his half of the Rectory and Manor on his death; Giles was to have £5 yearly out of it during his life, and a parcel of land called the Overland. Giles married Anne, and her mother fulfilled her promises, and for years his father, Wm. Balle, paid him the £5 p.a. agreed on. Wm. Balle died ten years since. Then Humfrey Balle, of Chudleigh, Co. Devon, gent., son and heir of Wm. Balle, and Giles's eldest brother, though he knew of the promises, entered into possession, and conveyed the Manor to his son, Thomas Balle, who died three years since, and his

widow, Joanne Balle, took possession as Executrix, and passed the Manor to her eldest son, Thomas Balle, lately deceased, and so Giles could not obtain possession."

It is not necessary to consider the rights of the persons mentioned in this bill, but it is a very important document, because it shows that a family of Ball at Bampton were descended from and related to the very ancient Ball family of Chudleigh, whose pedigree and arms are recorded in the Visitation of the Co. Devon, 1584, and are given fully in the Appendix to this book. The above Giles Ball was the youngest son of Wm. Ball, of Harkcomb, in the parish of Chudleigh, and grandson of John Ball, Jun., of Mamhead.

The Parish Registers of Bampton before 1653 have perished unfortunately, but a M.L. Bond shows that Giles Ball was a widower before 1613, in which year, on Novr. 24, Giles Ball, of Bampton, took out a licence for his marriage with Joanna Thomas, of the same place. Whether this marriage came off or not, at all events on the 13th Jan., 1614-15, Giles Ball, gent., of Bampton, took out a licence for his marriage with Anne Cole, widow, of the parish of Kenstone (Kenton).

Giles Ball had two elder brothers, Humfrey and Hugh. By his wife, Ann Bandford, he had issue a son, Hugh Ball, gent., living in the parish of St. Giles-in-Fields, London, and married, who died in 1619 in London. His will proved, in the Prerog. Court, 13 Novr., 1619, gives information about the family. He left 40s. to the poor of Bampton, £10 to his brother William, £100 to his brother George, £150 to his brother John; to his sister Anne, wife of George Venman, £20; to Hughe Somerland, and Margaret, wife of Matthew Somerland; to the child of cosin Hutchins, and three others, certain legacies. He appointed his loving father, Giles Ball, residuary legatee and sole executor.

His brother, Wm. Ball, is evidently the Wm. Ball of

Bampton, who took out an Exeter Mar. Lic., July 3, 1617, for his marriage with Mary Wood, of King's Brumpton, Somerset (the Registers of which parish begin at 1700); he might have been the father of Henry Ball of Bampton, whose son, Robert Ball, went to Youghal. There is, however, no evidence to show that he was so. A Wm. Ball was buried at Bampton in 1653, and another Wm. Ball was buried there in 1656.

There appears to have been another family named Ball living at Bampton at the same time, which was probably related to Giles Ball, and it was perhaps on that account that he settled there, and there is some ground for thinking from the recurrence of the same names, Anthony, Henry, and Robert in both that family and the Youghal one, that they were related.

The Exeter Will of Alice Ball, widow, of Bampton, pr. 1624, mentions her son Anthony Ball, his wife Elizabeth, and his children, Anthony, John, Ellinor, and Jane; mentions also her daughter Jane, wife of Robt. Badcocke, and their children, Robert John, Ambrose, Amy, Jane, Jone, and Margaret; also mentions her daughter Amy and husband; also John and Thomazin, children of John Ball, deceased, Elizabeth, Henry, Rose, and Mary, children of Henry Ball, deceased, and Alice, his wife, now wife of Bowbeare.

The Exeter Will of Elizabeth Ball, widow, of Bampton, 4th October, 1644, was proved by Alice Ball, power being reserved to Jane Ball. Inventory taken by Henry and John Ball at £76 8s. 4d. To Anthony Ball, my son, my bay mare and 1s.; to Ellinor, my daughter, my best malt hutch and 1s.; to Ellinor, daughter of Wm. Hole, one of my best pewter dishes. To Elizabeth, daughter of Anthony Ball, 1 pewter dish of my best; to my god-children 1s. a piece; to my daughter, Jane Ball, the close called Helman's Close; to my daughter, Alice, the house wherein Anthony Ball now dwelleth, together with the outhouse, barn, stable,

&c., part of Helman's Tenement; all the rest to my daughters, and they to be executrices. Henry Ball and John Ball, my kinsmen, to be rulers and overseers. Witnesses, Wm. Holcomb, Henry Ball, and John Ball.

The nuncupative Will (Exeter) of Robert Ball, of Bampton, in Co. Devon, late deceased, was declared 7th April, 1648, in the presence of George Langwill, of Bampton, cutler, Joane, wife of the said Robert, Edward Ball, and Grace Brocke; Robt. Ball being p'ft. of memorie left to his son Andrew 1s.; to Edward Ball, his grandchilde, the bed wherein he the said Edwd. lay, with bedstead and furniture, and best brass pan and his tobacco toges. To Robert, his grd-child, 2s.; to Andrew, his grd-child, 1s.; to Grace Brocke, 5s.; all the rest to Joan, his wife.

The inventory of his goods was valued at £36 15s. od. by James Glasse, of Bampton, cleric, John Glasse, farmer, Wm. Cooke and George Langwill, of Bampton.

The will (Exeter) of Jane Ball, of Bampton, Spinster, March, 1661, leaves to Christopher Bryant, Agnes Bryant, and Jane Bryant, children of Christopher B., of Bampton, tailor, the close called Hollman's Close; Also, wife of Christopher B., the elder; Elinor Hole, of Bampton, widow; to Antony, son of Elinor Hole, if Anthony Hole shall not return from Ireland, or shall otherwise depart this life before John Hole attain full age; if they decease, I bequeath to Elizabeth, daughter of Antony Ball, of Bampton, cordwainer, my best hatt. To Thomazine, daughter of Antony Ball, 10s.; to Elizabeth, daughter of Chr. Bryant; Elinor Hole to be sole Exor.

At a later period there is a gr. admon. of the goods of Edward Ball, of Morebath, the next parish, 1691, May 21, to certain creditors. A certain Anthony Ball, Margaret Ball, and Robert Ball, and Emolinia Paddon were the nearest kinsfolk. An Edward Ball, of Morebath, married Mary Timwell in 1665.

The Andrew Ball, son of Robert Ball who died 1648,



may have been the same Andrew who on March 4, 1627-8, took out a Lic. for marriage with Margaret Bowringe, Junr., of Molland.

One of this family, according to old written tradition, was Captain Andrew Ball, who appears in 1648 in the Navy, and was Captain of the *Triumph* in the battle between Blake and Van Tromp, in which he was killed, (cf. D.N.B., *sub* name.)

Also John Ball, of Kilkenny City, merchant, who made his will 3 Dec., 1665, pr. 26 Jan., 1666, left his wife Elizabeth sole executrix; all his property, including *some in England*, to go as follows:  $\frac{2}{3}$  rds of the goods to his wife and her heirs; the other  $\frac{1}{3}$  rd to testator's son James, when he comes of age or marries. If he die young, the third to go to his wife; and if she die first, the  $\frac{2}{3}$  rds to go to his son. Mentions a brother and sister of his in *New England*. Wife to have use of his house in Minehead. Overseers, Edw. Roberts, Esq., of Dublin; Thos. Richards, Esq., of Kilkenny; Wm. Burge, of Kilkenny, Esq. Witnesses, Mary Richards, Rich. Making, Fra. Macarthur. Arms of Ball and wife impaled on seal, on fess three crosslets between 3 fire-balls, Ball; a cutlass or scimitar, wife's. He paid subsidy money, £1, in 1660.

In the Ormonde Papers, Hist. Com. Report, 8, pt. 1, Appendix, Elizabeth, wife of John Ball, of Kilkenny, prays that her husband, who with others had been arrested while reading the Bible, may be discharged on bail, 9 June, 1663. A Certificate was issued recommending her husband's release, 13 June, 1663. Again, John Ball, of Kilkenny, merchant, wrote that he had trusted persons in the schedule annexed, being soldiers under command, with clothes, &c., on credit, and asks an order to pay. 19 names given.

From the facts that a child of Henry and Eleanor Ball, of Bampton, was baptized there after 1653, and that Robert Ball, who went to Youghal from Bampton in 1678, and was born in 1651, named his first son and

daughter Henry and Eleanor, we may assume that he was their son, and that his father Henry, and his uncle John Ball, were the kinsmen of Mrs. Elizabeth Ball, and overseers of her will, 1644. In the absence of positive evidence, we cannot say certainly whether Henry and John Ball were grandsons of Giles Ball, of Bampton, but we may compare the marriage of Wm. Ball to Mary Wood, of Brompton Regis, in 1617, with the fact of John Ball in 1697 owning property in the same parish.

John Ball, merchant, of Bampton, born 1636, a younger brother of Henry Ball, of Bampton, married at Minehead by Lic., 30 Decr., 1662, Joan, daughter of George Hayman, of Minehead, by his wife, Mary, daughter of Simon Gibbons, and had issue:—1. Henry Ball, of Morebath, died 22 Feb., 1738, aged 71, who married Eleanor, sister of Edward Fisher, of Youghal, and had issue Henry, of Morebath, d. 1789, s.p.; Prer. Will pr. same year in Doctors' Commons. 2. Heman Ball, of Minehead, in 1703, who married about 1704 Joan, eldest daughter of George Hayman, Jun., by his wife Joan, daughter of — Tanner, and by her (who was bapt. 22 July, 1682, and died a widow, 1761), had issue: (1) John Ball, born 22 June, 1708-9. (2) Heman Ball, born 17 July, 1712. (3) George of Minehead, Mariner, d. 1740. (4) Anthony. (5) William, surgeon, of Minehead. (6) Jane Ball, married — Broadmead. (7) Joan, died unmarried. Heman Ball, senr., died before 1740.

3. Jane Ball.

4. Ellinor Ball married John Fisher, and had issue: (1) Ellinor, married Thos. Drake. (2) Elizabeth, married Wm. Pottbery. (3) Edward Fisher, of Courtgreen, psh. of Bampton, and Youghal, will pr. 1722, married, on Oct. 7, 1714, Alice, daughter of Robert Ball, of Youghal.

The will of the above John Ball, of Bampton, merchant, is dated 13 July, 1697, and was proved in

the Prerog. Court, Cant., 13 April, 1716; he died in 1705, before his nephew, Robert Ball, of Youghal, and is buried in the Baptist Cemetery at Bampton, having been the first minister of the Bampton Congregation.

In it he leaves to the poor Anabaptists of Bampton £20; to other poor, £10: now wife Jane; to son Henry, a moiety of a messuage, &c., called Headlands, in King's Brompton [where Wm., son of Giles Ball, got his wife], also a wood called Ffurscombe, also in King's Brompton, also a dwelling house in Bampton in the occupation of John Hutchins; to dr. Jane a messuage, Luckett in Knowstone, Co. Devon; to dr. Ellinor, a messuage called Blight, in Bampton, in occupation of John Fisher, also a close in Morebath in the same occupation, and a tenement called Mere in the psh. of Morebath; also messuages called Tanner's Hill and orchard lands in Bampton, in the same occupation, to sd. dau. Ellinor. To John Cussman, William Fisher or Joan his wife; a messuage, garden, and orchard at higher end of Brittanie Str., Bampton, occupied by John Bowbier, the younger, to my son Heman Ball, &c.

To the members of the baptized congregation in Bampton commonly called Anabaptists, the new erected house called a meeting house in Luke Str., Bampton, erected on houses formerly occupied by Wm. and John Bryant, for the use of the same congregn. and their succors. for ever. Also a parcel of ground adjoining, &c., &c., for the burying of the members: also to them, houses and gardens, &c., adjoining a certain house called the White House, formerly in occupation of Peter Ridgley, Apothecary, decd., and now of his relict Ann Ridgley, for the benefit of the minister or ministers from time to time, &c. Residue to sons, Henry and Heman, and dau. Jane, and they joint exors.

Signed and sealed, John Ball.

Of the sons of John Ball, of Bampton, and his wife, Joan Hayman, of Minehead.

I. Henry Ball, of Morebath, eldest son and heir, born 1667, died 1738, aged 71, married Ellinor Drake, als Fisher, widow, and had issue:—

1. Henry Ball, of Morebath, Co. Devon, gentleman, died 1789, w. pr. London, 6 Feb., 1789, to his wife Mary leaves the messuage, &c., called Moor, in the parish of Morebath, for life, and on her decease to two trustees named, on trust for Henry Ball, one of the sons of William Ball, of Minehead, Co. Somerset, surgeon,

deceased, and afterwards to his eldest son, &c., &c., and in default to Philip Ball, another son, &c., and in default to John Ball, eldest son of Wm. Ball. Considerable legacies to various relatives; £20 each to John, Philip, Wm., Sarah, and Whitelock Ball, children of the said Wm. Ball deceased. John Ball, of Bristol, merchant, deceased, 1763, is mentioned, who had a son, John Hallifield Ball, died 1757 (see Appendix), who married Sarah Hyde, of the Castle Hyde family, and had issue a daughter, Elizabeth, who married Bartholomew O'Donoghue.

Heman Ball's (sen.) fifth son, Wm. Ball, surgeon at Minehead, died 1778, married Sarah, and had issue:—

(1) John, (2) Philip, (3) Wm., (4) Sarah, (5) Whitelock, all mentioned in the will of Henry Ball, of Morebath, pr. 1789. The prerog. will of Jane Ball, widow, of Bampton, was pr. 1767.

We now turn back to Henry Ball, of Bampton, and of Keane, in the psh. of Morebath, elder brother of John Ball, who died 1697.

Henry Ball was born c. 1629, died 1705, and in 1650 married Eleanor, who died 1706, both buried at Bampton, by whom he had issue, with Eleanor, whose baptism is entered, 1653, in the Bampton Registers:—

I. Robert Ball, of Bampton, born 1651, was a ship owner and merchant; he went to Youghal in 1674, and in 1675 married Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Vaughan, Bailiff of Youghal, 1679. In 1679 he appears in the Corporation Records of Youghal as "owner of the ship John, Master, Edmund Folkard, 25 tons, 6 men, square stern, built at Barnstaple." It is on record in a recent vol. of the Ormonde Papers that he was one of those who obtained Licences from the Government for the transport of 1,000 stone of Irish wool to England in 1678, 1679, and 1681. Robert Ball was Mayor of Youghal 1690. He was attainted by Jas. II., in 1689, as being in England. He died 17th Jan.,

1724, at the age of 72. In his Will, dated 1724, he leaves money to the poor of Bampton and Morebath, and appoints his cousins Henry and Heman Ball, Potbery and Drake as overseers to see it paid. He had issue :—

1. Eleanor Ball, born 1676; married, 2nd April, 1699, to Thomas Cozens, and died 1733.
2. Elizabeth Ball, born 1678, and died an infant.
3. Barbara Ball, born 1680; married 22nd June, 1707, to Edward Rogers.
4. Elizabeth Ball, born 1682; married, 5th January, 1712, to John Burgess, of Ballyscurloge.
5. Anne Ball, born 1684, married 5th June, 1711, to William Wigmore.
6. Henry Ball, born 1686, of whom below.
7. Alice Ball, born 1688; married, 7th November, 1714, to Edward Fisher.
8. Jane Ball, born 1690, at Keane in Morebath; married, 1720, to Digby Foulke.
9. Anthony Ball, born 19 Jan., 1692, died 1715.
10. Margaret Ball, born 1694; married to Charles Prince, 6 Feb. 1721.
11. Robert Ball, born 9 May, 1698, and died 24 Nov., 1698.

Henry Ball, the only surviving son of Robert Ball, born the 25th January, 1685-6, named from his grandfather, was of Sandy Hill, Co. Cork, and Keane, Morebath Parish, Co. Devon, which latter he alienated. He married by Licence, 23 August, 1728, Ruth, sister of Jonas Stawell,\* of Kilbrittain, Co. Cork, M.P. for

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\* The Ven. Jonas Stawell, of Kinsale, Cork, will pr. 1671, was some time of Chudleigh, Co. Devon, and was son of Thomas Stawell, whose brother Anthony had to wife Ellen, dr. of John and Jonas Ball, of Chudleigh. John Ball, of Chudleigh, made his will 3 March, 1603-4, pr. 19 June, 1604, and leaves legacies to Ellen, "dr. of my dr." Ellen Stawell, and to Frances and Rachel, drs. of Anthony Stawell. Joan Ball, of Bridgland, Chudleigh, widow, w. pr. 24 July, 1617, Exor., Anthony Stawell, son and heir of A. S. (then a minor). Legacies to "Jonas, son of Anthony Stawell, my son-in-law," also to Wm., Ellen, Frances, Rachel, Elizth., and 2 other children (unnamed), born in Ireland, brothers and sisters of said Jonas. Dau. Ellen Stawell also mentioned. Thus the Stawells and Balls inter-married both in Devon and Ireland.

Kinsale 1745-1760. Her father, Jonas Stawell, of Kilkearns and Kilbrittain, Co. Cork, had by his third wife, Catherine, d. and h. of Robert Honner, of Madam (ML. 1694), four daughters, of whom the youngest, Ruth, was left £500 in his will, 27 May, 1716. Her father says that "he always had it in his mind that his cousin George's eldest son, Anthony, and Ruth should match together, and so hopes George's good lady will take her under her particular care." She, however, preferred to choose for herself.

Mrs. Ruth Ball was born in 1697, and died in 1742.

Henry Ball by her had issue:—1. Robert Ball, the eldest son. 2. Catherine, born 1731; married to Thomas Leary. 3. Anthony, born 19 Sept., 1733, killed accidentally at Lismore School, 1743. 4. Elizabeth, born 1734. 5. Henry, born 10 August, 1737; died 1739. 6. Ruth, born 15 Oct., 1739, married 19 Oct., 1758, to Capt. Thomas Cunningham, R.N., and died 1822.

Henry Ball was an Alderman of Youghal, Bailiff 1712, and Mayor in 1722 and 1729. He died the 2nd of June, 1741. His will was proved in the Irish Prerog. Court 1742. In it he bequeaths the farms in the West of Great Britain to his second son. His uncles, Thomas Vaughan, merchant, of Youghal, and James Vaughan, are appointed executors.

Robert Ball, the eldest son of Henry, of Sandy Hill, and afterwards of Rocksboro', Co. Cork, was born in 1729; J.P. Co. Cork 1 March, 1769; Bailiff of Youghal 1756; died 1802; married, on the 23rd of July, 1749, Mary, daughter of Bent Croker, Esq., by Mary, dr. of Gregory Salter, of Youghal; she was born in 1727, and buried at Youghal, 17th of Oct., 1805; by her he had issue:—

1. Henry Ball, born 1750, of Rocksboro'; bailiff of Youghal 1796, died a bachelor in 1807 or 1808, when the property passed to his next brother, Bent. Henry was in the 15th Foot during the American Revolutionary War. On one occasion, as handed down in

the family, he and his men were chased by the Yankees and Indians; a chasm was in front, but Henry Ball shouted out "Follow me, my lads," he then sprang across, all his men followed, and they were safe. Afterwards the place was called "Ball's Leap." The lady from whom the incident was learnt said that her father, who was nephew to Henry Ball, told many a tale of his uncle's active bravery.

II. Bent Ball, of Rocksboro', heir to his brother Henry, born 1753; in May, 1770, he was gazetted an Ensign in the 63rd Foot, in which he rose to be Captain about 1782, and was also, like his brother, engaged in the American War. It is said that one night, as he was stealing with his men down the Chesapeake River with muffled oars, and the banks were lined with Indians hidden from sight, a very young officer, who had lately joined, was shivering with cold, whereupon Capt. Ball wrapped part of his boat cloak about him, but almost immediately a shot from the bank pierced the poor young fellow through the heart.

Bent Ball, who was admitted Freeman of Youghal 8 Feb., 1785, married, 25th September, 1785, Catherine, eldest daughter and co-heir of Joshua Hamilton, Esq. (Port Surveyor of Waterford), by Mary, his wife, daughter of Sir Richard Cox, of Dunmanway, Bart. Mr. Hamilton was son of the Hon. Henry Hamilton, M.P., and grandson of Gustavus Hamilton, 1st Viscount Boyne, who distinguished himself at the siege of Athlone and the Battle of the Boyne. Capt. Bent Ball died 12 Oct., 1832. Bent and Catherine Ball had issue: 1. Robert Ball, d.y., 1787. 2. Mary, bapt. Midleton, Co. Cork, 21 October, 1788, married to Thomas Boles, Esq., and had issue, three children. 3. Catherine, bapt. 14 Oct., 1791, married to Thomas Carew, Esq., and had issue four sons and one daughter. Three sons died young. Bent Carew, the survivor, went to New Zealand. The daughter, Catherine, married a Mr. Smythe, near Armagh; she died in 1841. 4. Arabella,

bapt. 13 April, 1793, married to Capt. Robertson, of the East India Company's Service. 5. Joshua Hamilton Ball, bapt. 17 April, 1794, emigrated to North America, where he married the daughter of a Mr. Ball, in that country.

III. Mary Salter Ball, born 1754; married, 23rd of December, 1784, to the Revd. James Reid, Head Master of the Endowed School of Midleton, Co. Cork, and had issue three sons: 1, Robert, M.D., of Dublin, who married, 1818, Louisa, third daughter of Sir George Ribton, Bart., by whom he had two sons, John, deceased, and Robert, who attained the rank of a general officer; also a daughter, Louisa, married, 1849, William Potts, of New Court, Athlone, and had one son, Col. John W. H. Potts, R.H.A., born 1852. 2, Revd. James, d.s.p. 3, Henry, R.N., married Frances, daughter of Revd. G. C. Garnett, of Williams-town, Co. Meath. Also a daughter Frances, who died young.

IV. Ruth Ball, born 1756; married 4th of December, 1783, to Samuel Freeman, and died 21 October, 1844, leaving two sons and a daughter, Samuel, Joseph, and Mary S., m. Capt. T. Armstrong.

V. Anne Ball, born 1757, d.y.

VI. Robert Ball, born 1758, d.y.

VII. Robert Ball, born 1759, d.y.

VIII. Alice Ball, born 1760; married 2nd July, 1789, Sir Brodrick Chinnery, Bart., of Anne Grove, Co. Cork, M.P. for Castlemartyr, 1783-90, and for Bandon 1790-97, 1797-1800, and 1802, High Sheriff Co. Cork 1786, and had issue two sons and two daughters; she died 1833.

IX. Bob Stawell Ball, born 1768. In 1799 he, together with Robert, Henry, and Bent Ball, signed the Co. Cork address in favour of the Union of Great Britain and Ireland. He was Bailiff of Youghal in 1798, and Mayor of the same in 1816, 1817, 1820, 1825, and 1831.



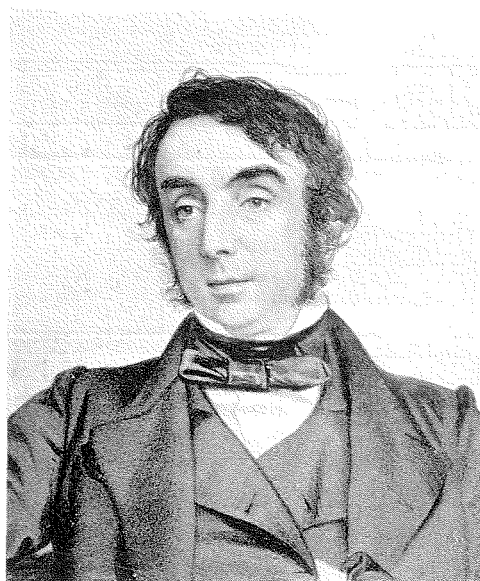
He married, 20 Jan., 1799, Mary, daughter of Roger Green, of Youghal, merchant, by Anne Ellis, his second wife; she was born 24 Nov., 1774, and died 11 May, 1862. They had issue:—1. Mary, born 1799; died 1804. 2. Alice, born 1801; died 1801. 3. Robert, born 1802. 4. James, born 1804; died 1805. 5. Bent, born 1806; died 1860. 6. Anne Elizabeth, born 1808; died 3 Oct., 1872. 7. James Green, born 1809, died 1810. 8. Mary, born 1812, died 17 July, 1898. 9. Alice, born 1813; died 1813. Soon after his marriage, Bob Stawell Ball went to live at the Cove of Cork, where, through the Earl of Shannon, he had obtained a very good post in the Customs. All his children were born at Cove. His health, however, having broken, about 1815 he returned to Youghal, where he lived for many years, but finally removed to Dublin, where he died in 1841, at 28, Eccles Str. His daughter writes: "I never saw any one who had so much knowledge of history as he had; he delighted in reading; if he had a book, his garden, and children about him, he cared little for going out; he encouraged us all to love natural history; he used to delight in his seven hives of bees. It was a rich treat to hear him read Shakspeare; he knew Kemble and Mrs. Siddons, and knew where to place the proper emphasis in reading choice passages. He founded the Loan Society at Youghal; often he was called the poor man's friend; he belonged to the Friendly Brothers; at times he was full of fun and mirth."

Robert Ball, of 3, Granby Row, Dublin, eldest son of Bob Stawell Ball, was born the 1st of April, 1802, at Cove, now Queenstown, Co. Cork; married 21st of September, 1837, Amelia Gresley, daughter of Thomas Hellicar, Esq., of Bristol, by Catherine, daughter of John Gresley; she was born in 1809, and died 1 March, 1895. They had issue:—

1. Katherine Gresley, born 1838; married May 18, 1870, John Todhunter, M.D.; she died 6 April, 1871,

leaving issue : Arthur Henry, born 1871, died 1874. 2. Robert Stawell, born 1st July, 1840. 3. Mary Agneta, born 1841; died 6th February, 1868. 4. Valentine, born 14 July, 1843, died June 15, 1895. 5. Amelia Charlotte, born December, 1844; married 8 February, 1882, William Millington, M.D., of Old Fallings Hall, Wolverhampton. 6. Anne Frances, born September, 1846, married, 21 September, 1875, George Butt, Bengal Civil Service, son of Isaac Butt, Q.C., M.P., by Elizabeth Irwin, his wife, daughter of Henry Swanzy, of Rockfield, Co. Monaghan; he died 26 Jan., 1879, leaving issue:—(1.) George Berkeley Butt, Lieut. Indian Medical Service, born 3 July, 1878, died 28 Aug., 1902, in India. (2.) Kathleen Mary, who married, 9 Oct., 1903, William Valentine Ball, M.A., Cantab, Barrister-at-law, second son of Sir Robert S. Ball. Mrs. Butt married, secondly, 2 October, 1885, John Thomson, Esq., of Edinburgh. 7. Charles Bent, born Feb., 1851.

Dr. Robert Ball died suddenly in Dublin on March 30, 1857. In the *Natural History Review* for January, 1858, is a sketch of Dr. Ball's career, from which the following particulars are taken:—"From childhood he manifested a strong spirit of inquiry. In animals of all kinds he took special delight. Once his teacher, seeing that he was not paying attention, found that he held in his hand a live lizard, which he took every opportunity of looking at and playing with, under the table. Among his pets was a kite, which had been brought to him with a broken leg. He made a wooden one, which answered so well that the bird hopped about on it long afterwards at Youghal. He was educated first at a school at Clonakilty, and then at Mr. White's school at Ballitore, Co. Kildare. At the age of sixteen he returned home, and by his own efforts acquired a large amount of his extensive zoological knowledge. In 1824, on coming of age, he was made a local magis-



ROBERT BALL, LL.D. (HONORIS CAUSA),  
FATHER OF SIR ROBERT S. BALL,  
(BORN 1802, DIED 1857.)

*From an Engraving.]*



SIR ROBERT STAWELL BALL, F.R.S.,  
LOWNDES PROFESSOR OF ASTRONOMY, CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY,  
BORN 1840.



trate, and several times, owing to his activity, was near being assassinated.

In 1827 he was appointed to a post in Dublin Castle. In 1831 he was made Assistant Librarian and Keeper of Records. His name as a scientific man became more widely known. In 1837 he was appointed a Secretary of the Zoological Society of Ireland, for which he laboured hard for twenty years. In 1852, after 25 years' service in the Chief Secretary's Office, he was retired on a pension. In 1844, however, he had become Director of Dublin University Museum, and in 1850 the Board of Trin. Coll. gave him the honorary degree of LL.D., to "mark their sense of his distinguished merits." In 1851, on the formation of the Queen's University in Ireland, he was appointed Secretary. Dr. Ball contributed several valuable and interesting papers to the transactions of the Royal Irish Academy, which he had joined in 1835.

Of his sons, the eldest, Sir Robert Stawell Ball, LL.D., F.R.S., M.R.I.A., The Observatory, Cambridge, educated at Dr. Brindley's, Abbot's Grange, Chester, graduated B.A. at Trinity Coll., Dublin, where he obtained a scholarship, a Senior Moderatorship in Science, and Gold Medal in 1861; M.A., 1864; LL.D. 1872, D.Sc. 1891. He was for a time in charge of Lord Rosse's Telescope at Birr Castle, then became Andrews' Professor of Astronomy in T.C.D., and Astronomer Royal for Ireland, and was Knighted in 1886. In 1892 he was chosen to be Lowndes Professor of Astronomy at Cambridge, where he now resides.

Sir Robert Ball, who is a fellow of King's Coll., Cambridge, has been President of the Royal Astronomical Society, of the Mathematical Association, and of the Royal Zoological Society of Ireland. He has been Scientific Adviser to the Commissioners of Irish Lights since 1884. He is the author of many books and articles on Astronomy, especially the Story of the Heavens, Starland, In Starry Realms, The Story

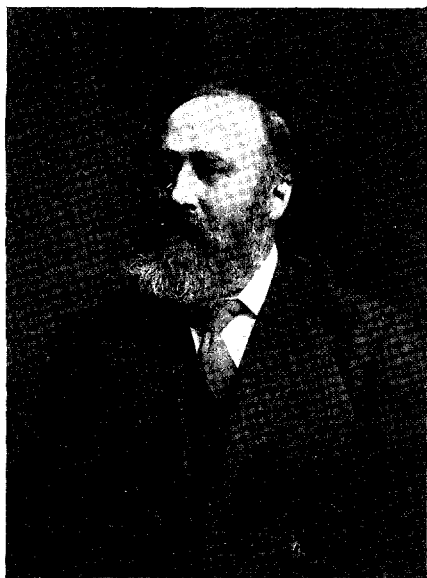
of the Sun, Time and Tide, Atlas of Astronomy, and the Earth's Beginning. In Mathematics he has acquired world-wide fame by his Treatise on the Theory of Screws. He is also a brilliant, illuminative, and witty lecturer on Astronomical subjects, which he has done much to popularize throughout the British Isles.

He married, 5 Aug., 1868, Frances Elizabeth, daughter of William Edward Steele, Esq., M.D., of Dublin, by Frances, daughter of the Rev. John Toler, Rector of Kentstown, Co. Dublin, and has four sons and two daughters:—1. Robert Steele Ball, B.Sc., A.M.I.C.E., born 17 Dec., 1869, married 2 Sept., 1903, Olga, second daughter of John Edmund Sturge, of Monserrat, and has a daughter, Stella Elizabeth Ball. 2. William Valentine Ball, M.A., King's Coll., Cambridge, Barrister-at-law, Lincoln's Inn, born 10 Feb., 1874, married 9 Oct., 1903, his cousin Kathleen Mary, daughter of George Butt, Bengal Civil Service. 3. Charles Rowan Hamilton Ball, of Hunstanton, Norfolk, M.R.C.S., London, born 24 June, 1876, married 30 Sept., 1907, Josephine, youngest daughter of George Cowie, of Courtfield Road, London. 4. Randal Gresley Ball, Lieut. Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, born 23 July, 1881. 1. Frances Amelia Ball, married, 6 Jan., 1900, Harold Budgett Meakin, M.D., Capt. Indian Medical Service, second son of Edward Meakin, of Hampstead, and by him, who died 21 Sept., 1907, has one son, Harold Stawell Ball Meakin, born 25 March, 1902. 2. Mary Agnetta Ball, married 5 Aug., 1903, Joseph Barcroft (senior representative of the ancient house of Barcroft of Barcroft, Lancs.), M.A., Fellow King's Coll., Cambridge, elder son of the late Henry Barcroft, D.L., of The Glen, Newry, High Sheriff, Co. Armagh, 1890, and has one son, Henry Barcroft, born 18 Oct., 1904.

Robert Ball's second son, Valentine Ball, LL.D., F.R.S., M.R.I.A., created C.B. 1891, born July 14, 1843, died June 15, 1895. He was educated in Chester, and at Dr. Benson's School, Rathmines; matric.



VALENTINE BALL, C.B., F.R.S., LL.D.,  
LATE DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL MUSEUM, DUBLIN, BORN 1843.



SIR CHARLES BENT BALL, M.D.,  
REGIUS PROFESSOR OF SURGERY, TRIN. COLL., DUBLIN.  
(From photograph by Lafayette, London.)





T.C.D., October 1860, grad. B.A. July 1864, M.A. 1872. He was appointed to the Staff of the Geological Survey of India in 1864, and became a Fellow of Calcutta University in 1875. In 1881, having resigned his Indian appointment, he was appointed Professor of Geology and Mineralogy in Trin. Coll., Dublin. He was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society, London, and President of the Royal Geological Society of Ireland in 1882; in 1883 he was appointed Director of the Science and Art Museum, Dublin; in 1885 he became Hon. Secy. of Royal Zoological Society of Ireland; and in 1886 Member of Council of the Royal Irish Academy. Through his energy and exertions the splendid new buildings of the National Museum, in Dublin, were erected, through a grant from the Government. Though his death was premature, yet he lived long enough to see the substantial completion of his life's work. He died in his 52nd year, and was buried at Mount Jerome Cemetery, Dublin.

He married, on 16th Sept., 1879, Mary, daughter of John Stewart-Moore, Esq., of Moyarget, Co. Antrim, by whom he had issue:—1. Katherine Stewart, born 11th July, 1880; died 18th April, 1881. 2. Maude Mary, 1883. 3. John Stewart Valentine, born 11th Dec., 1884. 4. Ethel Gresley, 24th November, 1886. 5. Robert Gordon, born Feb. 11, 1888.

The third son of Robert Ball is Sir Charles Bent Ball, born February 21st, 1851; educated at Trin. Coll., Dublin, and Vienna University; B.A., 1871; M.B. and Ch. M., 1872; M.D., 1875; F.R.C.S.I., 1879; Senior Moderator and Gold Medallist in Natural Science; Senior Medical Exhibitioner and Surgical Travelling Prizeman; now Surgeon to Sir P. Dun's Hospital; Regius Professor of Surgery, Dublin University; Hon. Surgeon to His Majesty the King in Ireland; Hon. Fellow of Royal College of Surgeons, England; Commissioner of Education, Ireland; residence, 24, Merrion Square, Dublin. He was knighted at

Dublin Castle, 3 Feb., 1903. He married, July 23rd, 1874, Annie Julia, eldest daughter of the late Daniel Kinahan, J.P., of Roebuck Park, Co. Dublin, by whom he has issue:—

1. Charles Arthur Kinahan Ball, M.D., F.R.C.S.I. (1905), born March 29, 1877, married April 25, 1907, Elizabeth, daughter of John Smythe-Wilson, of Berkeley, California.

2. George Stawell, born 19 July, 1884, died 10 March, 1888.

3. Nigel Gresley, born 27 August, 1892.

4. Ivan Hellicar, born July 23, 1894.

Minnie Gwendoline, Nina Evelyn, Mabel Vaughan, Annie Muriel Kift.

According to the Vis. of Devon, 1584, the Arms of the Balls of Chudleigh and Mamhead, Devon, are:—Arg., Chevron Sa, between three fireballs ppr., a martlet, or, for difference, Crest, an arm erect, in the hand a fireball ppr. The Arms of the Balls of Youghal and Dublin, by grant of the Ulster Office of Arms, are:—Argent, on a chevron gules, between three fireballs proper, a galley with one mast, sail furled, a pennon floatant in stern of the first.

*Crest*.—An arm vambraced, embowed argent, charged with two ogresses, the hand proper, grasping a fireball as in the arms.

*Motto*:—On.



THE ARMS OF BALL OF GREENHALL,  
CHESTER,

IMPALED WITH THOSE OF BUCKLEY, A RUBBING FROM THE TOMB  
OF BENJAMIN BALL AT BRAY, 1744,

(From "Journal of the Association for the Preservation of the  
Memorials of the Dead, Ireland.")



## CHAPTER IX.

## THE BALL FAMILY OF ST. MARY'S PARISH, DUBLIN.

The armorial bearings used by this family at the present time are: arms, argent a lion rampant sable, holding in its paw a fireball, crest an embowed arm mailed proper rising from a ducal coronet gules and grasping in the hand a fireball, motto, "toujours ferme." But originally the crest used by this family, as will be seen from the illustration of the tombstone, was a cubit arm vested gules cuffed argent grasping in the hand a fireball. The arms and the original crest are those of the Balls of Greenhall in Cheshire, a branch of an ancient family seated for many centuries at Tussingham in that county, and doubtless the Balls of St. Mary's Parish are descended from a cadet of the house of Greenhall who settled in Ireland. The tradition has been constant in the family that they came from Chester. It has been thought that some connection may have existed between the ancestors of the Balls of St. Mary's Parish, and a certain Benjamin Ball, who became a Scholar of Trinity College, Dublin, in 1664, and died in 1668. He was the only son of the Rev. Benjamin Ball, of Chester, who was sometime minister of St. John's Church in that city, and who died in 1649, by his wife Ann, daughter of Richard Sankey, of Edgworth, in Salop. This lady was sister of Sir Hierome Sankey, a leading officer in Cromwell's Irish Army, and married as her second husband one of her brother's comrades, Captain William Shaw. Captain Shaw became resident in Ireland, and to this fact was probably due the entry of his step-son, the scholar, in the University of Dublin.

The Revd. Benjamin Ball was a son of the Revd. John Ball, Vicar of Whitmore, Staffs, the well-known Puritan Divine.

The Balls of St. Mary's Parish first appear in the person of Robert Ball, a member of the Guild of Smiths, who was admitted in 1670, by special grace, to the freedom of Dublin. He was engaged in the building trade, and houses built by him and his son still remain in the possession of his descendants.

His son, Benjamin Ball, of Great Britain Street, is described as a master builder of the City of Dublin, and in his will mentions amongst his books works on architecture. He was born about 1694. In 1704 he was entered as a pupil in the King's Hospital, and in 1724 was admitted a Freeman of Dublin. He died at Straffan on 27 November, 1744, and was buried at Bray. He married Elizabeth, daughter of John Buckley, of Deseart. She was born about 1697, died on 19 March, 1747, and was buried with her husband. They left issue:—

1. Robert, of Great Britain Street and Tinnehinch, born about 1728, died at Tinnehinch, January, 1761, and was buried with his parents. He married, in St. Mary's Church on 19 April, 1755, Sarah, daughter of Hugh Darley, a collateral ancestor of the Right Rev. John Darley, sometime Bishop of Kilmore, and left issue:—Benjamin and Elizabeth. His son (1a) Benjamin, of 13, Kildare Street, and afterwards of 18, Merrion Square South, was called to the Bar in 1780, and was sometime a Commissioner of Bankruptcy and Assistant Barrister for the County Kildare and County Donegal. He became a banker in partnership with John Claudius Beresford, and was the founder of the banking firm of Ball and Co. He died suddenly in Drury Lane Theatre, London, on 31 March, 1825. He was twice married, 1st on 10 February, 1775, to Miss Dobbyn, of Ballynewn, Co. Armagh, and secondly in August, 1782, to Elizabeth, eldest daughter of the Right

Rev. James Hawkins, Bishop of Raphoe. He had issue by the latter (1b) Robert Benjamin, baptized St. Anne's Church 2 October, 1789, died young; (2b), Francis Leeson, born 1793, educated in Trinity College, Dublin, and Christ Church, Oxford, B.A. Dublin 1818, Secretary of Legation at Buenos Ayres, died at Boulogne 25 August, 1850. He married Donna Antonia de la Soledad, whose will was pr. 1866. She died 19 Jan., 1866, and left issue: (1c) William St. James, thirty years Queen's Foreign Messenger, of Penshurst, Kent, who married, and died 12 December, 1883, leaving (1d), Antonia Frances, married F. B. Ninnes; (2d), Julie Isabel; (3d), William Hawkins, now of Fortfergus, Co. Clare; (4d), Thomas Leeson, of the Suffolk Regt.; (5d), Norah Cholita; (6d), Kathleen Grace, married Claud Hamilton, of the Leinster Regt; (7d), Grace Kathleen, married Lieut. Percy Roberts, R.N.; (2c), Francis Arthur, Major 33rd Regt., d. 1902, md. Mary Liddell; (3c), Maria de la Soledad Isabel Sofia, who married on 23 January, 1856, the Hon. Thomas O'Grady, Major 74th Regiment, and died 28 February, 1889; (3b), William Hawkins, of Fortfergus, Co. Clare, baptized in St. Anne's Church, 18 December, 1794, gazetted 27 October, 1814, a cornet, and 24 October, 1816, a lieutenant of the 16th Light Dragoons, and 19 September, 1826, a Captain of the 49th Regiment of Foot, retired 26 April, 1831, as a major on half pay, sometime D.L. and High Sheriff, Co. Clare, died at Cullenswood, near Dublin, 22 March, 1864; he married, 28 September, 1845, the Hon. Julia O'Grady, daughter of Standish 1st Viscount Guillamore, but had no issue; (4b), James Benjamin, of 12, Merrion Square East, born 1803, B.A. Dublin 1824, succeeded his father as principal partner in the banking firm of Ball and Co., sometime D.L. and High Sheriff of Dublin, died at Nice 28 October, 1883, leaving large bequests to the Church of Ireland and Charitable Institutions in Dublin; (5b), Elizabeth Sarah, baptized St. Anne's Church 16

December, 1786, died young; (6b), Elizabeth Arabella, died at Norwood 21 August, 1864; (7b), Sophia, married Colonel Richard Beauchamp, and had, amongst other issue, Richard Hawkins, and Emily, who married Peter Denis Browne. Robert Ball's daughter (2a) Elizabeth married, May, 1793, Thomas Beeby, and had issue.

2. John, baptized at Bray, 16 February, 1729, died 1747, and was buried with his parents at Bray.

3. Daniel, baptized in St. Mary's Church 23 January, 1734, died January, 1748, and was buried with his parents at Bray.

4. Benjamin (see below).

Benjamin Ball, fourth son of Benjamin Ball, of Great Britain Street, was baptized in St. Mary's Church 17 January, 1738, admitted a Freeman of Dublin 1759, elected on 1 July, 1773, Master of the Corporation of Carpenters, sometime a Sheriff's Peer of Dublin, died 5 April, 1809, and was buried at Fenagh, Co. Carlow.

Mr. Benjamin Ball declined the Shrievalty of Dublin in 1772, and in accordance with a custom which then existed paid a fine of a hundred guineas to the funds of the King's Hospital. He was an active governor of that institution, and was a member of the committee which had charge of the erection of the present buildings. An oil painting, representing the Building Committee in consultation with their architect and contractors, was executed for Mr. Ball by a portrait painter called Jonathan Trotter, and this painting was afterwards presented by Mr. Ball's youngest son to the governors of the King's Hospital, and now hangs in their board-room.\*

He married Dorothea, daughter of Thomas Buckley, by his wife Mary, daughter of Nicholas Mulock; she was born 1738, died 16 February, 1811, and was buried with her husband. They had, besides children who died young and were buried at Bray, the following issue:—

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\* cf., "The Foundation of the Hospital of Charles II.," by the Right Hon. Sir Frederick Falkiner, p. 211.





BENJAMIN BALL,  
GOVERNOR OF THE KING'S HOSPITAL, DUBLIN.  
BORN 1733, DIED 1809.  
(From picture in King's Hospital, Dublin.)



1. John (see below).
2. Robert, born 1772, B.A. Dublin 1792, M.A. 1803, LL.B. 1804, in H.O., sometime Vicar of Drumholm, in the Diocese of Raphoe, and Chaplain of St. Matthew's, Ringsend, died 12 May, 1828, and was buried at Stillorgan. He married Catherine, eldest daughter of Revd. St. John Blacker, LL.D., Prebendary of Inver, Diocese of Raphoe, and widow of Revd. Charles Barker, Canon of Wells; she died 26 January, 1860.
3. Benjamin, born 1776, solicitor, of 5, Clare Street, and Woodview, Merrion Avenue, died 27 July, 1841, and was buried at Stillorgan. He married, 21 May, 1807, Deborah, daughter of Thomas Haughton and widow of Mr. Wilcocks. She was born May, 1780, died at Falmouth 18 August, 1848, and was buried with her husband. They had issue:—(1a), Thomas Haughton, married in Stillorgan Church, 6 April, 1830, Jane Lalor, died in London 28 July, 1837; (2a), Benjamin, born 1810, B.A. Dublin 1831, called to the Bar 1834, afterwards took H.O., went to Tasmania, married, and died there leaving issue; (3a), Frederick John, born 23 October, 1812, B.A. Dublin 1835, in H.O., sometime Curate of Carleton Rode, Norfolk, died 7 June, 1842, buried at Walton-on-Thames; (4a), Edmond Robert, born 1814, married his cousin Anna Elizabeth, daughter of Major Benjamin Marcus Ball (see below); (5a), Joseph Manly, born 31 July, 1816, B.A. Dublin 1837, died 29 October 1841, buried at Stillorgan; (6a), Elizabeth Dorothea, married in Stillorgan Church 6 April, 1830, Thomas Dixon.
4. Mary, married, in 1792, Charles Frizell.
5. Rebecca, baptized St. Andrew's Church, 24 July, 1768, married April, 1806, Adam Bloomfield Feltus, of Hollybrook, Co. Carlow, and had issue Benjamin Bingham Feltus, died 12 September, 1871, and Elizabeth Dorothea, who married Revd. Nicholas Cuthbert Fenwick, and died in 1886, leaving a son,

Robert Bloomfield Fenwick, afterwards of Wandle Hall, Surrey, and other issue.

The Rev. John Ball, eldest son of Benjamin Ball, the Sheriff's Peer, was born 1762, graduated B.A. Dublin 1782, took H.O., sometime Curate of Bray and Rector of Attanagh, Diocese of Ossory, died at Attanagh 31 August, 1799, and was buried at Bray. He married, 11 March, 1788, Penelope, daughter of John Paumier, by his wife Susanna, daughter of Mungo Noble. She married secondly, 10 March, 1806, Milo Bagot of Clara, died at Rathmines, 18 February, 1832, and was buried in St. Mary's Churchyard. By her the Rev. John Ball had issue.

1. Benjamin Marcus (see below).

2. John Brabazon, born 9 April, 1790, in H.O., sometime Curate of Delgany, died at Richmond Hill, Rathmines, — June, 1833. He married, 4 April, 1815, Elizabeth Anne, daughter of Rev. Charles Bagot, of Kilcoursey, in the King's County. They had issue: (1a), John, B.A. Dublin 1840, M.A. 1847, LL.D. 1872, solicitor, of 52, Lower Leeson Street, and Rosendale, Shankill, died 27 August, 1887, buried in Mount Jerome Cemetery; he married first, in 1844, Frances Anne, daughter of Capt. Andrew Bagot Armstrong, and widow of Abraham Fuller, and, secondly, Lora St. Lo E., daughter of General Charles St. Lo Wilkinson, R.E. (2a), Charles, solicitor, died unmarried. (3a), Thomas Preston, B.A. Dublin 1850, M.A. 1857, in H.O., sometime Perpetual Curate of St. John's, Liscard, Incumbent of Holy Trinity, Dublin, and Vicar of Dundry, married first, 1852, Henrietta, daughter of Henry Walsh, and, secondly, Mrs. Bartles; she died 1886. (4a), William James, B.A. Dublin 1854, in H.O., sometime a missionary in North India and Deputy Lord Almoner's Reader in Arabic at Cambridge; died 1895; he married Julia Frances, fourth daughter of John William Hooper, of Bathwick House, Bath, and left amongst other issue John William, of Gageborough, King's County. (5a),



PENELOPE, DAUGHTER OF JOHN PAUMIER,  
1768-1832.

MEMBER OF A HUGUENOT FAMILY & WIFE OF REV. JOHN BALL,  
RECTOR OF ATTANAGH, CO. KILKENNY.

(From a miniature in the possession of Lt. Col. P. Tuthill.)



Elizabeth, died unmarried. (6a), Susan Penelope. (7a), Anna, died unmarried.

3. Thomas Preston, born 21 November, 1791, sometime Captain 37th Madras Native Infantry, died in India 30 August, 1829. "He had formerly filled the office of Persian interpreter to the Commandant of the subsidiary force at Hyderabad, and was alike admired for his professional talents, his many engaging qualities, his accomplishments, and his erudition."\* He married Hannah Anne Fenwick, widow of Major Johnston Wilkinson, and left a son, Thomas Otto Derville, born in India, 1828, B.A. Durham, in H.O., sometime Curate of Lower Slaughter, Gloucestershire, died unmarried, 27 December, 1869.

4. Robert Lees, born 15 February, 1797, died 24 December, 1810.

5. Richard John, born 6 March, 1800, died at Leeson Street, 2 August, 1801, buried at Bray.

6. Susanna Dorothea, born 29 April, 1793, died at Leeson Street, 9 August, 1801, buried at Bray.

7. Charlotte Elizabeth, born 16 September, 1794, married, in 1809, Robert Lloyd, M.D., and died 5 August, 1853, buried at Dundrum. They had issue, and from them descends Colonel Phineas Barrett Tuthill, of the Army Medical Service, M.D., Dublin (*cf.* Appendix.)

Major Benjamin Marcus Ball, eldest son of the Rev. John Ball; and born 10 January, 1789, was educated at Winsford, Cheshire, and at Trinity College, Dublin, was gazetted 13 August, 1807, Ensign, and 25 May, 1809, Lieutenant in the 39th Regiment of Foot, and April 21, 1814, Captain 40th Regiment of Foot, retired 17 January, 1822, on half pay as Captain 72nd Regiment of Foot, was gazetted 10 January, 1837, Brevet Major, died 10 April, 1841, and was buried at Dundrum, Co. Dublin.

While a subaltern Major Ball saw much service in the Peninsula, where the 39th Regiment reaped, in the

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\* "Asiatic Journal," August, 1830.

words of Lord Gough, "a rich harvest of glory." At the great engagements of Albuera, Vittoria, Pyrenees, Nivelle, Nive, and Orthes, names afterwards displayed in proud array upon the colours of that regiment, Major Ball was present, and of those, as well as of many less important actions, he has left an interesting account in a series of letters addressed to his mother. These letters, written with ease and often grace of diction, are remarkable for their freedom from personal detail, and for the broad, no less than accurate, view taken of the operations. From them one gathers an impression of strategic study, of military insight, and, notwithstanding a soldier's reserve, of courageous devotion to duty on the part of the writer. In the first of them Major Ball describes the battle of Albuera, where his regiment as one of those in General Abercromby's brigade, helped to save the day. His own share on that historic occasion commemorated by Napier in strains of sublime military eloquence, can only be inferred from the statement that in his company, out of 38 men and 3 officers, 22 men and 2 officers were killed or wounded, and from a passing reference to the horrors of the succeeding night which he spent in rescuing the wounded from a field of battle, "of all ensanguined fields the most ensanguined." After Albuera the 39th Regiment was continuously attached to the division under the command of Lord Hill, and Major Ball took part in the brilliant success at Aroyos des Molinos, and in the subsequent movements in support of the main army, during which he contracted fever. At Vittoria, Major Ball was amongst the defenders of the heights of La Puebla, and was engaged in the long conflict in the Pyrenees, where, he says, his Regiment became a mere skeleton, the rank and file being reduced to half its strength, and three officers out of every four being disabled. But it was in the South of France that the 39th Regiment crowned itself with distinction by its conduct on the mountain of Garris where, in the words





REVD. JOHN BALL,

RECTOR OF ATTANAGH,  
GRANDFATHER OF J. T. BALL, LORD CHANCELLOR OF IRELAND.

BORN 1763, DIED 1799.

(From miniature in possession of F. Elrington Ball.)



MAJOR B. M. BALL,

FATHER OF J. T. BALL, LORD CHANCELLOR OF IRELAND.

BORN 1789, DIED 1841.

(From miniature in possession of F. Elrington Ball.)



of the Duke of Wellington, "it most gallantly received and repulsed" the attacks of the enemy. Major Ball says that the opposing troops had only lately arrived from Catalonia, "where they had for years been accustomed to victory under the banner of the redoubtable Suchet," and remarks that the affair was a brilliant one, as his regiment was not only for a considerable time exposed alone and unaided, "to the charges of as many thousands as it had hundreds," but "in its turn charged and broke this formidable superiority of numbers." Before embarking for the Peninsula Major Ball had been stationed at Guernsey and Malta, and upon his exchange into the 40th Regiment he was stationed at Plymouth and Dover, and after serving for a time with the army of occupation in France, at Glasgow, Manchester, and Templemore. His retirement, on half pay, which then took place, was hastened by his family responsibilities, and his leisure hours were devoted to music, of which he was a talented performer and composer.

Major Ball married in St. George's Church, Dublin, on 19 October, 1814, Elizabeth, daughter of Cuthbert Feltus, of Hollybrook, Co. Carlow, by his wife Jane, daughter of Adam Bloomfield. She was born 1789, died at Dundrum, 28 March, 1838, and was there buried. They had issue.

1. John Thomas (see below).
2. Benjamin Bloomfield, born 27 July, 1816, died unmarried.
3. Adam Gustavus, born 14 April, 1821, died at Adelaide in Australia 22 August, 1882, leaving two daughters.
4. Thomas Feltus, born 1 April, 1823, Ensign 36th Bengal Native Infantry, died unmarried in India 4 July, 1843.
5. Rutledge, born 14 July, 1831, B.A. Dublin 1853, in H.O., died unmarried at Bray, 16 March, 1858, buried at Dundrum.
6. Robert Phillips, born 7 April, 1825, died unmarried.

7. Jane, born 9 September, 1817, married in Taney Church, Dundrum, 13 August, 1838, John Dickinson, Solicitor, died 20 May, 1843, buried at Dundrum. They had issue :—(1a), John La Touche, died unmarried, 25 October, 1890. (2a), Benjamin Alexius, of Invercargill, New Zealand, married, and has issue.

8. Anna Elizabeth, born 18 July, 1819, married in Taney Church, Dundrum, 13 September, 1838, her cousin, Edmond Robert Ball, Solicitor, of 5, Clare Street, and New Brighton, Monkstown. He was educated in Trinity College, Dublin, died 19 December, 1849, and is buried at Stillorgan. She died at Brighton 10 January, 1905, and was buried in Brighton Cemetery. They had issue.

1a. Benjamin Manly, of Mount Lucas and Monasteroris, King's County, educated at Sherborne School and Trinity College, Dublin, where he was elected a classical scholar in 1861, and graduated B.A. in 1863, called to the Bar 1866, a Justice of the peace for the King's Co., and sometime on the roll for High Sheriff. He died 27 March, 1908, and was buried at Philipstown. He married in Saint Bartholomew's Church, Dublin, in October, 1871, Elizabeth, eldest daughter of John Lucas, of Mount Lucas. She died 13 December, 1907, and was buried at Philipstown. They left a daughter, Deborah Elizabeth Ball, now of Mount Lucas.

2a. Edmond, died in Fiji 1899, leaving two daughters.

3a. Frederick Joseph, educated Sherborne School and Pembroke College, Oxford, a scholar and graduated B.A. with honours in 1869, sometime Curate of All Saints, Margaret Street, London, Rector of East Mersea, Essex, and Vicar of Ardleigh, Essex, died at Ardleigh 10 April, 1902, and was buried in Ardleigh Cemetery. He married, 29 October, 1884, Emily Agnes, daughter of Rev. Berdmore Compton. He left no issue.

4a. Arthur died at Sherborne, 1868, and was buried there.

5a. Elizabeth Anna, married Revd. George Herbert Curteis, sometime Principal of Lichfield Theological College, Chaplain of the Savoy Chapel, London, and a Canon of Lichfield Cathedral. He died 9 October, 1894, and was buried in the close of Lichfield Cathedral. Mrs. Curteis now lives at Brighton, and has issue :

1b, Henry Herbert; 2b, Bertha, married Major Frederick Lehmann; and 3b, Hilda, married 2 November, 1897, the Hon. Francis William George Egerton.

6a. Nanette Louisa, died at Buxton 9 September, 1899, and was buried in Buxton Cemetery.

7a. Deborah Gertrude, a sister of the Clewer Order.

8a. Jane, died at Sherborne, 1868, and was buried there.

9a. Julia Maude, died June, 1851, and was buried at Stillorgan.

Major Ball had also issue :

9. Sarah Elizabeth, who died unmarried 11 February, 1896, and was buried at Dundrum; and 10, Mary Frances, who also died unmarried.

The Right Hon. John Thomas Ball, eldest son of Major Benjamin Marcus Ball, was born at Dublin 24 July, 1815, educated at Dr. Smith's School in Dominick Street, and at Trinity College, Dublin, where he was elected a classical scholar in 1833, and whence he graduated B.A. as a senior moderator in ethics and logics in 1836, LL.B. in 1841, and LL.D. in 1844. He was called to the Bar in 1840, went the Home Circuit, was appointed in 1853 a Queen's Counsel, and in 1857 a Commissioner to enquire into corrupt practices at Galway, was sometime prosecutor for the Crown for Westmeath and Queen's County, and was appointed on the 1 November, 1862, Vicar-General of Armagh. In 1865 he was an unsuccessful candidate for the representation of the University of Dublin. He was appointed 9

August, 1865, Queen's Advocate, went the Leinster Circuit as judge of assize Spring and Summer, 1866, and was appointed, 21 October, 1868, Solicitor-General, and 4 December, 1868, Attorney-General. In 1868 he was elected a Member for the University of Dublin. He received Hon. D.C.L. Oxford in 1870, and, 17 March, 1874, was again appointed Attorney-General, and 1 January, 1875, Lord Chancellor of Ireland. In 1879 he was nominated Vice-Chancellor of the University of Dublin, and in 1880 Chancellor of the Diocese of Dublin. He was sometime chairman of the Intermediate Education Board and a Senator of the Royal University, and was author of "The Reformed Church of Ireland," 1st edition, 1886, 2nd edition 1890, and of "The Legislative Systems operative in Ireland 1172-1800," 1st edition 1888, 2nd edition 1889. He died at Taney House, Dundrum, on Saint Patrick's Day, 17 March, 1898, and was buried in Mount Jerome Cemetery.

Dr. Ball's attainments and character have been the subject of eulogistic notice by men of all shades of opinion. His classical scholarship, his legal erudition, and his political and historical insight have been universally recognised, and his oratorical gifts and literary taste have been no less generally admired. But his most distinctive trait was the judicial impartiality of his temperament. To the consideration of every question Dr. Ball brought in an exceptional degree independence of thought, and although firm in maintaining the principles of his creed and policy, he was always distinguished by fairness of disposition and moderation of expression. It was these qualities which won for him the respect and friendship of his political opponents\*, who were foremost, on his retirement from the Bench and after his death, in laudation of his calm and well-

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\* See "The Freeman's Journal," May 7, 1880, and March 18, 1887.

balanced mind, and of his graceful manners and flowing courtesy, as well as of his learning and ability.

In the debates of the College Historical Society, Dr. Ball gave early proof of his eloquence and argumentative subtlety, and is said to have delivered in that assembly speeches which would have commanded attention and received applause in the House of Commons. At the same time he contributed to the pages of the *Dublin University Magazine* articles, remarkable for their highly cultivated style, on classical, historical, and biographical topics, and verses, some of which have been thought felicitous in catching the spirit of Wordsworth\*.

On his call to the Bar Dr. Ball specially applied himself to the study of ecclesiastical and civil law, on which he soon became acknowledged as a high authority. His success in the practice of that branch of his profession contributed largely to his ultimate promotion, and his attachment to it is shown by his desire to be always called by the title of a civilian. But he also gained distinction in the other courts, both of law and equity, and on circuit as a counsel for the Crown. From his speeches in the cause of *The Archbishop of Dublin versus Gregg*, and *the Board of Trinity College versus Shaw and Carmichael*, it is evident that even the driest legal argument was presented by him in faultless language, and with dialectic skill, and his speech in a trial for bribery (*Williams versus Lynch*) at Athlone, exhibits great talent in addressing a very different tribunal. It was in the libel action of *Angeli versus Galbraith* that Dr. Ball, in the words of one of his most eminent judicial contemporaries, "at one bound established his reputation as one of the first orators of the age," and some years later in the great will case of *Darell versus Egmont* he sustained and consolidated his reputation by the delivery of a speech which in its lofty

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\* "Thomas Davis," by Sir Charles Gavan Duffy, pp. 17, 23.

tone of eloquence recalled the orations of Edmund Burke.

But it was in the House of Commons that Dr. Ball gained his highest intellectual triumphs. The debates on the Irish Church Act which followed his entrance into Parliament were peculiarly his province; and his first speech, delivered on the second reading of that measure, proved him no less successful as a Parliamentary than as a forensic speaker. Mr. Gladstone referred in the House to this speech as one of "the utmost ability and learning," while noting in his diary that it was "elaborate and impressive,"\* and Archbishop Tait wrote to Dr. Ball in complimentary terms expressing his regret that it had not been delivered "when the great question was trembling in the balance." In the subsequent stages of the Irish Church Act Mr. Disraeli, to use his own words, "placed entire confidence in Dr. Ball's talents and character," and Mr. Gladstone, in his concluding speech on the third reading, spoke of the able and gallant opposition which Dr. Ball had offered throughout the progress of the measure. During his six years of Parliamentary life Dr. Ball continued to take a prominent part in debate, and his speeches, particularly those on the Irish Land Bill, on the Ballot, and on the Irish University question, have been commended for their breadth and statesmanship of view and boldness and originality of conception.

Dr. Ball's appointment as Chancellor was accompanied by the appearance of a striking appreciation in the columns of *The Times*,† which stated that the House of Commons had lost, while the Irish Bench had gained, a man in every way of note. The writer predicted that Dr. Ball's tenure of judicial office would be characterised by justice and generosity irrespective of creed and party, and the tributes accorded to Dr. Ball five years later, on his resignation of the Great Seal, amply vindicated

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\* Morley's "Life of Gladstone," vol. ii., p. 264.

† "The Times," January 4, 1875.





RIGHT HON. JOHN THOMAS BALL, LL.D.,  
LORD CHANCELLOR OF IRELAND, VICE-CHANCELLOR OF DUBLIN UNIVERSITY.  
BORN 1815, DIED 1898.  
(From photograph by Cranfield, Dublin )



that opinion. It has been said that one might have sat in his court for years without knowing to what side he leaned in politics or in religion, and that his scrupulous fairness to all faiths permanently affected the Government of his country. To "the power, capacity, and learning" which marked the discharge of his duties the Bar bore testimony in a valedictory address, and it has been remarked that his judgments in the cases of *Longford versus Purdon* and *Bagot versus Bagot* would be in themselves sufficient to make his fame as a great judge.\*

In the foundation of the Royal University and of the Intermediate Education Board Dr. Ball had a chief share, and, as a senator of the former and chairman of the latter, he watched over and guided their operations for many years. A distinguished colleague, who differed from him in faith, has expressed the opinion that the success and harmony which attended the early working of the Royal University was due in the very largest measure "to the ability and tact and spirit of generous fairness that Dr. Ball's example made dominant in the counsels of the Senate," and another of those associated with him has said, that so far as he could see Dr. Ball, although "an earnest Protestant," was "absolutely unprejudiced, and as scrupulous in guarding Catholic interests as if he had been a Catholic himself."

Owing to delicacy of constitution and an impatience of detail Dr. Ball was inclined to procrastination, but in all questions of moment he was unsparing of labour. No document escaped from his pen until the utmost pains had been expended in securing in it lucidity, conciseness, and accuracy, and in his published works he carried revision and condensation even to excess.†

Dr. Ball married at Newmills, in the Co. Tyrone, on 23 October, 1852, Catherine, third daughter of the

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\* The English "Law Times," 1898.

† See for further notice of Dr. Ball article by C. Litton Falkiner in "Dictionary of National Biography."

Revd. Charles Richard Elrington, D.D., Regius Professor of Divinity in the University of Dublin, and Rector of Armagh. She died at 71, Merrion Square, Dublin, on 7 September, 1887, and was buried in Mount Jerome Cemetery. They had issue:—

1. Charles Elrington, died 20 June, 1860, buried in Mount Jerome Cemetery.

2. William Paumier, graduated B.A. Dublin., as senior moderator in ethics and logics, 1881, M.A. 1887, called to the Bar 1883, sometime a Justice of the Peace for the Co. Clare, died 29 August, 1902, buried in Mount Jerome Cemetery. He married, 4 October, 1894, Constance Helen, daughter of William Steele Studdert, of Clonboy, Co. Clare, and widow of Thomas Lucius Jervis Arthur, of Glanomera, Co. Clare. She died 17 June, 1902, and was buried in Mount Jerome Cemetery. They had no issue.

3. Francis Elrington, a Justice of the Peace for the Co. Dublin, M.R.I.A., married 9 December, 1897, Florence Eglantine, daughter of the Rev. William Alfred Hamilton, D.D., Canon of Christ Church Cathedral and Rector of Taney. Mr. Ball is well known as a writer on Irish subjects, being joint author of the *History of Taney Parish, Co. Dublin*, and author of a *History of the Co. Dublin*, and also of many valuable articles in the *Journal of R.S.A., Ireland*.

## CHAPTER X.

THE BALLS OF BALLYMONEY, CO. ANTRIM, AND SHANNON,  
CO. DONEGAL.

This family was probably descended from a settler in the town of Coleraine, named Godfrey Ball, who in Brit. Mus. Add. Ms. No. 4770, fo. 131, No. 265, the Muster Roll of Ulster, c. 1622, is entered as of "the Town and Liberties of Coleraine, sword only." A Wm. Ball, perhaps a brother, is also entered at Macosquin, two miles off, in the same document, as having a "sword and a snaphane," and on Mr. Gage's Churchlands. In Phillips's Survey of Londonderry County, 1622, is a drawing of a castle and village bawn and mill; among the villagers Wm. Ball is named.

Thos. Ball paid hearth-money in Finvoy Psh., near Ballymoney, in 1669, acc. to the Co. Antrim Hearth-money Roll.

The Balls of Ballymoney, Co. Antrim, 6 miles from Coleraine, may have been grandsons of Godfrey Ball. The arms, crest, and motto of Revd. John Ball, of Shannon, on his tomb in Clonleigh old churchyard, ought to give a clue to the origin of the family. The name of his father could have been either James or John, the latter being the name of the eldest surviving son of Revd. John Ball, though from three of his sons who died young being named John, it is possible that John was his father's name.

James Ball, merchant, of Ballymoney, Co. Antrim, made his will 9 April, 1733; it was proved in Connor Dio. Court 8 Jan., 1734. He was born c. 1680. To his wife he left £15, and the house in Church Street, and

lands for her widowhood or five years, whichever first determined; afterwards to his son John, who gets £13 and testator's watch and horses.

Daughters, named Hellen, Victoria, Sarah, Sibella, £13 apiece, and certain specified cows, &c. Son Robert Ball £13 and the house clock. Exors., Wm. Calwell, John Hemmill Simecoke, and John Calwell, all of the town and parish of Ballymoney, with Revd. John Ball as Testator's trustee. Witnesses, Revd. Robert McBride, Alexr. McAllen.

The inventory bond annexed describes the widow as Catherine Ball, and with her are bound Robert McBride and Wm. Calwell. McBride was a Presbyterian minister, of Ballymoney.

The Prerog. Will of John Calwell, of Ballymoney, was proved 1669; a Joan Ball was a witness; perhaps wife of one of James's sons.

It is not unlikely that the mother of the two brothers was a Caldwell, as Revd. John Ball named his second son John Caldwell. We have in this and in the name of John H. Simcock, an exor. of James's will, early examples of double Christian names. The will (Derry Dio.) of Rev. John Ball, Presbyterian minister of Lifford, was dated July 1, 1739. He was younger brother to James Ball, and was born in 1681; he was licensed to preach at Ballymoney by the Presbytery of the Route or Coleraine. It is likely that the Caldwells, being Scotch, were Presbyterians, whereas the name Ball is unknown in Scotland.

The Revd. John Ball was ordained to be Presbyterian minister of Lifford in 1706, and held the office until 1739, when he died. In his will (Derry Dio. Court), dated July 31, 1739, he calls himself John Ball of *Shanan*, in the parish of Lifford, and orders his body to be buried in the church of Glenlee (Clonleigh). To his "beloved wife, Jane Ball, besides what she has a right to by her marriage contract, an equal proportion with his children, of all his worldly goods. The rest

of effects amongst his children, as his exors. shall judge right. Whereas his son, John Caldwell Ball, has already received his marriage portion, yet he is to receive sufficient to make his proportion equal to the rest. A further explanation of the 3rd Article says that whereas his eldest son James has already received a considerable part of his patrimony, he is only to receive £5 more. To his wife Jane he leaves his farm in Shanan, for maintenance of his children. This latter was signed and sealed in presence of James Caldwell, Jane Ball, and John Porter, on July 10, 1739, and probate granted 11 Sept., 1739.

The Revd. John Ball died 28th August, 1739, and was buried according to his directions in old Clonleigh Churchyard, Lifford, where a monument to his memory was erected, with a coat of arms engraved thereon, as follows: "A lion passant on shield between two Maltese crosses, above, and one beneath. *Crest*, a demi-lion rampant, holding a Maltese cross in paw. *Motto*, VIRTUTE PARTA." The following inscription below: "Underneath this stone lieth the Body of the Revd. John Ball, Presbyterian minister of the Parish of Lifford 33 years, who died 28th Augt., 1739, aged 58 years (born 1681), also eight of his children, viz.: Two Johns, Three Elizabeths, Jane, Euphemia, and Mary Ann, who died young.

He married, c. 1710 or 1712, Jane Hamilton, daughter and co-heiress of James (?) Hamilton of Drumaney, co. Tyrone, and probably grand-daughter of Capt. Wm. Hamilton, who was a relative of the 1st Earl of Abercorn. Miss Elizabeth Hamilton, of Drumaney, made her will April, 1723, and left all her goods to the children of her brother-in-law, John Ball, by her sister, Jane Ball, alias Hamilton. She left her uncle, Wm. Hamilton, of Drumraney, for his kindness, £30, and to his son, Hugh, and daughter, Marian, legacies; and appointed John Ball, her brother-in-law, executor. Proved 16 Oct., 1723.

Rev. John Ball, by his wife, Jane, had issue, besides three Johns and Elizabeths, Jane, Euphemia, and Mary Ann, who all died young, his eldest son, *James Ball*, of whom below, and *John Caldwell*, who married in his father's lifetime.

*James Ball*, of Shannon, born 1719, died 18th Feb., 1803, aged 84, and was buried in old Clonleigh churchyard, where a tombstone has the following inscription:—"James Ball, of Shannon, dept. this life Feby. 18th, 1803, aged 84 years." In his will (Derry Dio. Court), dated 1801, he requests that any labourers in his service at the time of his death should each have a shoulder and hat scarf; one pr. of new shoes, and one pr. of new stockings, to attend his funeral; leaves his grandson Andrew, second son of his son John, pt. of Shannon called the Dairy, 85 acres; his grandson James, eldest son of John, the plate and his watch and 54 acres; he leaves the rents of Shannon, Drumaney, &c., to trustees in trust for his grandson; leaves his son John to be residuary legatee; dated 4th June, 1801, proved 1803.

*James Ball*, according to a note in an old Family Bible, married on the first of October, 1756, Katherine Cunningham of Strabane, "that same day the King of Prussia gained the first victory over the Austrians at Lowositz." She died 18th of May, 1779, and was buried the 20th in her father's burying-place in Strabane Churchyard. By her he had issue two sons, viz.:—

1. *John Ball*, born in 1757, died 2nd June, 1828, aged 71, according to the inscription on the tomb aforesaid.

2. *Robert Ball*, born 9th May, 1759, died 10th July, 1788, "he lived with the esteem of his acquaintances, and died with their lamentations." (Family Bible.)

John Ball married, in 1792, Isabella, daughter of Andrew Sayers, Esq., of Castlefin, co. Donegal, and sister of Margaret, Lady Talbot de Malahide, wife of Richard Wogan, 2nd Lord Talbot de Malahide. Mrs. Ball died 19th Feb., 1803, aged 37 years. Her brother,



John Sayers, of London and Demerara, died in 1808, leaving immense sums to his sisters, Lady Talbot de Malahide and Priscilla Sayers: "also to each of the four children of my late sister Isabella Ball, the sum of £2,000, to be paid to them when 21. By his marriage with Miss Sayers John Ball left issue:—

1. *James Crichton* Ball, born 12 Jany., 1794.
2. *Andrew Sayers* Ball, deceased.
3. *Anne*, married, first, 1823, William Henry Oram, Captain Scots Greys, and had William Henry and Annie, both deceased; secondly, Revd. Philip Sholto Douglas (of the Queensberry family), deceased; and died October, 1874.
4. *Isabella*, married John Colquhoun, Esq., Q.C., of Strabane, and had issue Thomas, John, and Isabella. Mrs. Colquhoun died 1859.

The eldest son James Crichton Ball, born 1794, died in 1852. He married, July, 1825, Hannah (died 23 Jan., 1838, aged 33), daughter of Captain Holland Lecky, by Hannah, his wife, daughter of John Stirling, Esq., of Walworth, County Derry, and left issue:—

1. *John* Ball, late Captain 10th and 99th Regts., born January, 1829, married 7th April, 1857, Kate (deceased) daughter of Joseph Lecky, Esq., and has had one daughter, Kate Ada.

2. *Andrew Sayers* Ball, born June, 1832, married 1st May, 1877, Mrs. R. O'Neill, and has:

*James Crichton* Ball, born 1880, and Annie Alice May.

3. *William Oram* Ball, born 1836, married 1864, Elizabeth Robinson, went to New Zealand, and has issue:

*Hector Crichton*, born 1872; *James Crichton*, born 1874; *Andrew*, born 1879; *George*, born 1881; *Carlton Edward*, born 1884; *Adeline Mary*, *Annie Louise*, *Lizzie Campbell*, and *Minnie*.

4. *Isabella*, died 5th October, 1842.
5. *Jane*, died 1852.

6. *Eliza*, married, first, John Watson Carlton, Esq., and had :

James Crichton, born 1855, married, 13th June, 1877, Mary Gray, daughter of John Du Bédât, Esq. (and has issue); and Mary Watson, died an infant.

Eliza, Mrs. Carlton, married, secondly, the Revd. John Purdon-Stoute, deceased, of Newtown, Youghal, Rector of Bardsea, Lancashire, and by him had issue an only daughter, Annie Eliza Purdon-Stoute, married Revd. Parsons Edward Berry, M.A., Vicar of St. Elwyn's, Hayle, Cornwall, and has surviving issue :—

(1) John William Edward Berry, born 27th Sept., 1901.

(2) Michael Fitz-Patrick Berry, born 29th Sept., 1902.

Mrs. Purdon-Stoute married, thirdly, James E. Galwey Williams, Esq. (deceased).

7. *Annie Oram*, married George Burd, of Manchester, deceased, and had issue :—

Frederick McCausland, born 1855; John Bennet, born 1856; William Oram, born 1864, decd.; George Meredith, born 1866; Annie Oram Douglas, and Eliza Carlton.

8. *Hannah Lecky*.

Mr. J. C. Ball, in 1850, disentaïled and sold Drumaney, which had been in his ancestors' (the Hamilton) family since the time of James I.

## CHAPTER XI.

THE BALLS OF THE CO. TYRONE, AND THE  
NOTABLE SCHOOLMASTER, REVD. THOS. BALL, OF DUBLIN.  
ALSO NOTES OF OTHER BALL FAMILIES.

The Parish of Clonfeacle is situated partly in Co. Tyrone and partly in the Co. Armagh. In it lies the village of Blackwatertown; in the Hearth Money Rolls for Co. Tyrone for 1666, Dungannon Barony, Clonfeacle Parish, town land of Derryoghill, Thomas Ball paid 2s. on one hearth. He probably was the same as Thomas Ball, of Ballycloonelagh, 1658, and also grandfather of Thomas Ball, gent., of the Co. Tyrone, who had a son, Thomas Ball, born 1718, entered Trin. Coll., Dublin, 1736, became a scholar of the House 1738, B.A. 1740, and was one of the two who obtained Premiums at commencement. He was probably ordained in Dublin, and became Curate of St. Bride's Church there and afterwards of St. Nicholas Within, 1766-1772, Stearne Catechist, St. Werburgh's, 1781-84. He resided in Chancery Lane, and succeeded the famous Wm. Dunkin, D.D., to whom he had been usher, in the school of St. Michael le Pole, Gt. Ship Street, Dublin, which he conducted with great success from 1748 to 1781. He was a pewholder in St. Bride's Church, died intestate 1787, and was buried in St. Michael le Pole's churchyard.

More than 110 boys, among whom were Henry Grattan, M.P., and FitzGibbon, Lord Clare, were prepared by him for the University of Dublin, many of whom won high distinction there and in after life.

The Act of the Vestry giving him formal possession of the Schoolhouse was not made until 1765, when his

memorial was presented—"That inasmuch as he is in possession of the schoolhouse ever since Dr. Dunkin declined teaching the Greek and Latin languages in the same, in which office the sd. Mr. Ball was the assistant for several years, and now prays to be confirmed by Act of Vestry in the free use of the sd. schoolhouse for that purpose and no other, it is hereby agreed that the said Mr. Ball, being a parishioner, be allowed to teach the languages in the sd. house during his continuance in this parish, provided it be applied to that use and no other."

Signed, John Lyon, Minister.

Revd. Thomas Ball's death is thus noticed in the *Dublin Chronicle*, Oct. 6th, 1787:—"Died last Thursday night, in a very advanced age, the Revd. Thomas Ball, M.A., who for upwards of 60 (sic) years was assistant or Master of the Classical School in St. Michael le Pole's, Ship Str., wherein some of the first characters in the Kingdom received the rudiments of their education." It is probable that he was the Revd. Mr. Ball who married Miss Hambledon at St. Mary's Church, Dublin, 1765.

Revd. Thomas Ball married, firstly, about 1743, Miss Macmullen. He was probably married a second time. His widow, Margaret Ball, took out a gr. intest. of his goods. By her he had issue five sons, viz.:—1. Revd. John Ball, of Chancery Lane, Dublin, born 1744, scholar T.C.D. 1762, B.A. 1764, M.A. 1768; after his father had given up, he carried on the school for some time, but it completely declined under his charge, and the premises were in 1787 used by St. Bride's Vestry for the parish almshouse, and for the parochial school in 1795. John Ball assisted the famous antiquary, Revd. John Lyon, of St. Bride's, in his researches concerning St. Patrick's Cathedral, for which the Chapter gave him an honorarium of £10 10s. 0d. He was Chaplain for a time to the Dowager Countess of Barrymore, and wrote poetry, ODES, ELEGIES, BALLADS, &c.,

Dublin, 1772 8vo. He was also author of "FADING LEAVES," a volume of poems, and was a contributor to Walker's Hibernian Magazine.

He married, on Nov. 15, 1777, Elizth. Budds, of Donard, and had a son, Thomas Ball, bapt. St. Nicholas Within, Feby. 25, 1779. He died in reduced circumstances in Longford Street, Dublin, and was buried in St. Michael le Pole's Churchyard in 1812.

2. James Ball, of the Middle Temple, London, 1768, admitted to the Irish Bar, 1774.

3. William Ball, of Clare Street, Dublin, born 1749, sch. T.C.D. 1767, B.A. 1769, LL.D. (*honoris causâ*) 1806, called to the Bar 1774; he was a member of the Coll. Hist. Soc. in that year, 14 Decr., and delivered the opening address, 1775; he was familiarly named "Index" Ball because he had edited a volume of legal indexes. He was the author of many poems, which appeared in Joshua Edkin's Collection of Verse (Dub. 1789-90, 2 vols.), one of them a translation of Gresset's "Ver-Vert." He married twice; firstly Jane Dalrymple, of the Bridget, by Dub. Consist. Lic., 11 Oct., 1782; secondly, by D. Consist. Lic., Sarah Cooke, of St. Michan's Parish, 17 July, 1795. He had issue by his first wife—(1) Elizabeth Ball, married, 1809, the Revd. Lambert Watson Hepenstall, M.A., of Altadore, Delgany, Co. Wicklow, and had issue: George; Richard; Selina, m. G. Owen Ormsby, Esq., 1844, and had issue Sir Lambert H. Ormsby, of 92, Merrion Square, Dublin; Diana Margaret Hepenstall, married Ralph Anthony Dopping Hepenstall, 1857. (2) Diana Ball, born 1800, married 1826, Theobald T. Billing, Solicitor, of 41, Upper Mount Street, Dublin, both decd. They had issue a daughter, now Mrs. Johnston, widow, of 10, Raglan Road, Dublin. William Ball, LL.D., died in 1824 at Clare Street, Dublin, Intest.

4. Revd. Alexander Ball, born 1752, sch. T.C.D. 1771, B.A. 1772, LL.B. 1783, ordained Deacon and

Priest at Kilmore Cathedral, 1778-79, formerly Rector of Raymochy, Co. Donegal, will pr. Raphoe.

5. Harriet Ball, probably daughter of Revd. Thomas Ball, was bur. at St. Michael le Pole from Chancery Lane, 1781.

The Registers of Clonfeacle parish state that on 29 Decr., 1743, Thomas Ball, son of Wm. and Elizabeth Ball, of Cornullagh, was born, and was baptized on 10 March, 1744. This William Ball was probably brother to the Revd. Thomas Ball. A John Ball, of Clonfeacle, took out a licence of marriage with Sarah Hedges, of Glasslough, Co. Monaghan, in 1771. In 1821, the Will of John Ball, of Blackwatertown, parish of Clonfeacle, which was pr. 23 July, 1822, mentions his brother William who had a daughter Jane; his sisters, Catherine Black and Elizth. McMaster, and the latter's daughter Charlotte: also his son, John Ball.

In 1795 a John Ball registered his freehold at Lisadian in the parish of Loughgilly and barony of Upper Oriel, Co. Armagh.

It is believed that Nicholas Hanly Ball was related to this family. He was born in 1787 in the Co. Armagh, where in 1879 there were freeholders named Hanly or Handley, in the parish of Loughgall, whose ancestors had settled there in the reign of Jas. I. A Richard Handley or Hanley, yeoman, in 1612 lived at Drumullen in that parish, and was juror on an Inquisition of Assize in 1615. In 1789 Alexr. and Benjamin Hanly were registered as freeholders in Loughgall parish.

Nicholas H. Ball was perhaps son or nephew of Thomas Ball, the son of William of Cornullagh. He was married in Dublin on April 3, 1809, to Anne Gilbert by Revd. Henry Crofton. He resided successively in the Counties of Armagh, Down, and Dublin, and latterly at Valentia, Co. Kerry, where he kept a school; he died on 5th April, 1853, aged 66; his wife died 14th Feb., 1864, and was buried at Bangor, Co. Down. They had issue: I. Revd. Thomas Hanly Ball, born

17th April, 1813, bapt. Loughgall, Co. Armagh, entered Trin. Coll., Dub., 17 Oct., 1834, B.A. 1843, was ordained Deacon in Urney Church, Decr. 17, 1843, by the Bishop of Kilmore; Priested by the Archb. of Dublin at St. Patrick's Cathedral Oct. 20, 1844. He was Curate of Annalong, Co. Down; subsequently went to London, and was Domestic Chaplain to Lord Crawford and Balcarres, was sometime Vicar of Hartshill, Co. Warwick, and died 4th May, 1877. He married in Stillorgan Church, Co. Dublin, on Decr. 10, 1845, Elizabeth, daughter of Wm. H. Smythe, of Waltersland, Stillorgan, by his wife, Amanda Jane Rooke, and had issue, with eight daughters:

1. William Henry Bolton Ball, born 6th Sept., 1846, married Emma Elizabeth, daughter of James Brooks, Architect, and has issue two sons.

2. Henry Houston Ball, of 21, Wimborne Gardens, Ealing, W., born at Waltersland, 6 Mar, 1848, married 4th July, 1876, Alice Caroline, daughter of Revd. George Leopold Langdon, late Rector of St. Paul's, Cray, Kent, and has issue, Benedict Hanly Ball, born 25 Feb., 1884; Michael Houston Ball, born 20 July, 1886; Phillis Mary Ball, born 8 March, 1883.

3. Willoughby Maxwell Ball, born at Stillorgan, 6 April, 1849, now of Mercara, Coorg, India.

4. Revd. Gerard Hanley Ball, born at Blackrod, Lancs., 6 Nov., 1857, B.A. T.C.D., Ord. Deacon 1881, Pr. 1883, Chaplain of St. Raphael's Home, Torquay.

Nicholas H. Ball had issue also:—II., Eliza, born Loughgall, 15 Aug., 1815, died 10 Dec., 1820, buried Killiney. III., Revd. Wm. Hanly Ball, born Clondalkin 6 Sept., 1817, Rector of Dromara, Co. Down, d. unmarried 31 Jany., 1879. IV., Anne, born Clondalkin, 3 June, 1819, married John Lee, of Carlow. V., Maria, born at Monkstown, Co. Dublin, 26 Sept., 1821, married Daniel H. Lodge. VI., Eliza Jane, born 4 Decr., 1824, at Monkstown, Co. Dublin. VII., Susanna, born Clonmellon, Co. Westmeath, 4 Novr., 1827.

Another Ball family was living at Adare, Co. Limerick, at the close of the 18th century. John Ball migrated when a young man from either the north or east of Ireland, and settled on a farm under Lord Dunraven. It is probable that he was the John Ball mentioned by Abraham Ball, of Darver, Co. Louth, in his will, 1798, as having "quitted the Kingdom some years since, and not lately heard from. If in seven years he return, he leaves him £200." The above-mentioned John Ball used a seal with an arm embowed, grasping a fireball ppr. If this be right, he united the descent of the Creggan and Ardee Balls, as grandson of Abraham Ball, of Poughenstown, and his wife Sarah, daughter of Revd. John Ball, of Lisrenny. John Ball, according to family tradition, was a man of superior attainments, both in history and divinity. He was born in 1756, and died 1836. He is buried in the old ruined church of Adare, within the park, in the spot where once his pew stood. He held a Commission in the Co. Limerick Yeomanry, in which also his sons served. John Ball married —, and had issue:—I., William. II., James. III., John. IV., George. V., Henry. VI., Joseph. VII., a son. He also had three daughters.

His eldest son, William Ball, who lived at Kilgrogan House, Adare, had issue by his wife: John, Abner, Gideon, Absalom, and another son, and three daughters. Finally he and his family, and all his brothers and sisters, except one, migrated to Ontario, where they have prospered, several being members of the learned professions and others successful in business.

James Ball, one of William Ball's brothers, born 1793, died 1849, remained in Ireland, and married a Miss Smith, daughter of Andrew Smith, who had migrated to Adare from the North of Ireland, and introduced the linen manufacture there. He had issue: Samuel, George, James, William, Anne, Rachel, Louisa, Bessie. After his death his widow and all his



family except two, Samuel and William, went to Ontario and settled there.

Of the two brothers who remained William resided in Limerick, and died, leaving a son George, who went to Canada.

Samuel Ball, born 1824, became in 1843 Master of Lord Leconfield's School at Miltown, Malbay, Co. Clare, where he died some years since. He married Elizabeth Hosford, of Co. Limerick, whose mother was a Miss Poë, and had issue five sons and four daughters, of whom :—

(1) Henry Wyndham Ball, born 1850, Clerk in the Irish Registry of Deeds, and of 5, Palmerston Park, Dublin, deceased 1892, leaving by his wife Elizabeth, daughter of Arthur Atkinson, of Killough, Co. Down : 1*a*, Millicent Wyndham, born Sept. 4, 1885. 2*a*, Henry Benson W., born May 22, 1887. 3*a*, William Ormsby W., born Sept. 27, 1889.

(2) Frederick James Ball, who is County Inspector R.I.C., County Cork, unmarried.

(3) William George Augustus Ball, of the Munster Bank, and afterwards in a Melbourne Bank, decd. 1888 s.p.

(4) Arthur Edward Ball, a clerk in the Custom House, London.

Another Ball family lived at Delgany, Co. Wicklow, in the 18th Century. The Parish Registers from 1751 to 1786 have many entries of the name. There are two gravestones in the old churchyard of Delgany, one of Charles, son to John Ball, Serjeant in Lord Forbes's Regt., dated 1760, and who seems to have had a son, John Ball, married to Margaret Byrne, and lived at Stylebawn, and later on at Ballyronan, a good residential house in the parish. The name Anthony is found. In 1757 Anthony Ball of Delgany, perukemaker, married Anne Grundy, and they had five children.

A civic family of Balls also resided in the 17th Century in St. Michan's Parish, Dublin. There is a

Consistl. Lic. for the marriage of Lambert Naylor, of the Co. Carlow, and Ellenor Ball, of St. Michan's psh., 1640. They were married on Feb. 1, 1641.

Daniel Ball, of Merchants' Quay, 1648, may have been son of Nicholas Ball, shoemaker, of Merchants' Quay, 1636, and Cooke Street, 1648, and brother of Thomas Ball, Cooper, of same in 1644. Daniel Ball removed to St. Michan's psh., and in 1660, April 24. was chosen and elected overseer of the poor for that parish. He was married to Frances —, and was buried May 17, 1666, "in the churchyard." His will, proved in the Dublin Consistorial Court, May 26, 1666. He left five children: 1. Frances, married Gilbert Leigh, 1667. 2. Daniel. 3. Ann, bapt. March 15, 1660, married Gawan Williamson, Cooper, of St. Catherine's parish, Dublin, April 4, 1680. 4. Judith, married, Sept. 25, 1677, to Aaron Wilkes. 5. Alice, bap, Jan 6, 1665. Of the same family was Catherine Ball, who on Nov. 25, 1673, married Wm. Wilder, Skinner, of Dublin.

Daniel Ball, Junr., son of Daniel Senr., and variously described as soldier and fringe weaver, married Mary —, and had issue: (1) Frances, bapt. Feb. 27, 1676, bur. Feb. 3, 1678. (2) Sarah, buried March 21, 1682. (3) William, bur. Sept. 8, 1682. (4) Daniel, bur. Dec. 6, 1682. (5) Benjamin, bur. 1699. Daniel Ball was buried Jan. 12, 1707. Martha, daughter of a Daniel Ball and his wife Ann, was baptized in St. Mary's Church, Dublin, Aug. 21, 1726.

## CHAPTER XII.

THE BALL FAMILY, FORMERLY OF MAIDSTONE, KENT, AND  
HACKNEY, MIDDLESEX.

Authorities: *Miscellanea Genealogica et Heraldica*, New Series, Vol. III., page 184. Parish Registers of All Saints' Xch., Maidstone, Canterbury Will Books.

A family of Balls was settled at Maidstone from the early part of the XVIth century. In 1544, on Jan. 16th, William Ball was buried at All Saints' Church, Maidstone. On Decr. 31st, 1570, another William Balle was buried there, and was perhaps a son of the first William Ball. There were probably two brothers, at least, John and Roger Balle, who may have been grandsons of the second William Balle, and sons of John Ball, "the elder," who was buried Jan. 5, 1582-3, at Maidstone.

I. John Balle, of Maidstone, born about 1545, married in All Saints' Church on Oct. 9, 1571, Joane Hugget, and had issue: 1, Susan, bap. Decr. 14, 1572. 2, Norton, born c. 1573, bur. June 24, 1574. 3, Margaret, bap. Oct. 16, 1575. 4, John, bap. June 28, 1577. 5, Jannie, bap. July 20, 1578, bur. Sept. 2, 1578. 6, Joanne, bap. Oct. 18, 1579, bur. Decr. 28, 1608. 7, Luce bap. April 9, 1581, bur. April 8, 1616. 8, Elizabeth, bap. April 8, 1582. 9, Norton, bap. Oct. 27, 1583, bur. 1625. 10, Susan, bap. Oct. 25, 1584. 11, Thomas, bap. Feb. 27, 1585-6. 12, Alce, bap. Aug. 27, 1587. 13, Richard, bap. 30 Decr., 1588. 14, Thomas, bap. Decr. 21, 1591. John Balle was buried at All Saints', Maidstone, Novr. 15, 1611. His wife, Joan Balle, was buried Dec. 5, 1604.

II. Roger Balle, of Maidstone, born c. 1550, married

at All Saints' Church, Maidstone, Ann Pynde, on 26 Novr., 1576, and by her had issue: 1, Steven, bap. Jan. 11, 1578-9. 2, Anne, bap. Oct. 1st, 1581, married Saml. Browne. 3, Elizabeth, bap. Nov. 8, 1584. 4, Samuel, bap. Decr. 26, 1585. 5, Martha, bap. 1st Decr., 1588, married Edward Clerke. 6, Alce, bap. Feb. 25, 1589-90. 7, Margaret, bap. Oct. 1, 1591. 8, Mary, bap. April 21, 1595. 9, Elizabeth, bap. Decr. 5, 1597. 10, Roger, mentioned in his brother Samuel's Will, 1625. Roger Ball was buried at All Saints', Maidstone, April 30, 1599. His widow Ann was buried Aug. 3, 1619, at the same place.

Samuel Ball (4th child of Roger Ball), born 1585, married about 1613 Ann, daughter of Thomas Wood and his wife Anne, and had issue: 1, Ann, bap. April 20, 1614. 2, Samuel, bap. Feb. 22, 1615-6, went to London. 3, Elizabeth, bap. 17 Feb., 1618-9. 4, William, bapt. Nov. 24, 1620. 5, Sarah. 6, Thomas, a posthumous son, bap. Novr., 1625.

Samuel Ball, of Maidstone, according to the Registers of All Saints', was a Salter, but according to the records of the Leathersellers' Compy., London, was a Mercer. He died at Maidstone, and was buried at All Saints', Maidstone, 25 Aug., 1625. His will, proved in the Consistory Court of Canterbury, 27 Oct., 1625, is dated 17th August, same year.

By it "he leaves his son Samuel Ball £200 at 21 years.

To each of his daughters, Anne, Elizabeth and Sarah, £150 at 21 or marriage. To the child whereof his wife was then great, if a maid, £150. To his father-in-law, Thomas Wood, and Anne his wife, £3 each. To his uncle Wm. Lorymer £5. To his brother Roger Ball £13 6s. 8d. To his sister Martha, wife of Edward Clerke, £5. To sister Anne, wife of Saml. Browne, 20/- . To the child whereof his wife was then great, if a man child, £150, and also his house in Padsole Lane at 21, and if he die before that age, then to his son Samuel after the decease of Testator's wife Anne. To his wife Anne his house in East Lane, which he purchased of Henry Cooper, for life, and after to his son Samuel. The Residue to his wife Anne whom he appoints Executrix, and entreats Mr. Thomas Swynnock the elder and

Mr. Thomas Crompe to be overseers, to whom he gives £3 6s. 8d., to buy them rings. And if his wife marry again, she to enter into bond for the payment of the legacies. Witnesses, James Sarys, Francis Lopenle, Roger Ball. (Book 47, p. 170)."

His widow, Anne Ball, married by licence dated 1629, Joseph Benbridge, of Maidstone, and afterwards of Rye, who died 1643 (will, dat. 8 Novr., 1643, pr. Lewes 8 April, 1644), and by him had issue three sons, John, Thomas, and Samuel, Surgeon, of Canterbury, and two daughters.

Samuel Ball, eldest son of Samuel Ball, Mercer, of Maidstone, and his wife, Anne Wood, born 1615, became a Citizen and Salter of London.

In the Calendar S.P. 1642-49, Ireland, 11 July, 1642, is a declaration by John Biggs that  $\frac{1}{3}$  of his adventure of £150 was properly the money of Samuel Ball, Citizen and Salter of London. He covenants to Ball the land due, when the allotments are made. The will (Prerog.) of Samuel Ball, of London, is dated 28 May, pr. 2 July, 1661, by Anne, his relict. (PCC. 104, May.) He married, about 1640, Anne, daughter of Thomas Lavender, of the City of London, by his wife Margaret, daughter of Ambrose Salisbury, of Ravenstone, Leicestershire (who had to wife Elizabeth, daughter of George Hopkins, of Wednesbury, Staffordshire). In his will he mentions "property at Newington Green, Middlesex, Hollingbury (Hollingbourne, near Maidstone), Kent, Chadwell, Essex, and in Ireland; his wife Anne, his mother Ann Benbridge, his father in law Thos. Lavender, and his wife; his children Samuel, John, Anne, Elizth. Sarah, Mary, Margaret, and Martha (not 21); his brother Thomas Ball and wife; his brs. in law, Thomas Kem, Wm. Rymer, James Wroth, Matthew Meriton, Nathl. Greenell, John Lavender, Thos. Brewer, and each of their wives." Samuel Ball's widow, Ann, appears to have married, before 1667, one Thos. Barker (cf. Irish Act of Settlement Bk.).

Samuel Ball's wife, Ann, was probably sister of Elizabeth, wife of Thomas Brewer, mentioned in

Samuel's will. It is not unlikely that Samuel's brother Thomas (see below) married a sister of Thomas Brewer.

Samuel and Ann Ball had issue eight children, of whom (1) Samuel Ball is stated to have been born at Newington Green, Middlesex, 7th April, 17th Charles I. (acc. to the Records in the Chamberlain's Court of the City), 1641, which would make his age 100 years at his death in 1741. The obituary notices in the Gentleman's and London Magazines, inserted perhaps by his son, Papillon Ball, say he was 92. He also was a Citizen and Salter of London, resided at Hackney, was a Hamburg merchant, took up the freedom of London, by birth, May, 1690, went on to the Livery of the Salters' Company, 27 May, 1691, and eventually served as Master of the Salters' Company. He paid £400 and 20 marks into the Chamber of the City of London, June, 1731, as his fines for exemption from serving the Office as Sheriff of the City, and the Co. Middlesex.

He died 13th Sept., 1741, and was buried at St. John's Church, Hackney, 17th Sept. The Hackney Register gives his age as 90. His will, dated 1st May, 1738, was pr. 14th Oct., 1741, by Papillon and Benjamin Ball, his sons. P.C.C. 252, Spurway. He married on 20th Nov., 1682, Mary, daughter of George Papillon, City merchant, and of Great Bentley, Essex, by his wife Mary, daughter of Thomas Nicholson, of Cambridge. She was buried at St. John's Church, Hackney, 25th June, 1718. By her Samuel Ball had issue—

[1] Papillon Ball, born 25th Decr., 1694, West Indian merchant, director of the Royal Exchange Assurance Company, died 22 March, 1743, s.p., buried at St. John's Church, Hackney, married Eliza, fourth daughter of John Sikes, Lord of one of the Manors of Hackney, by his wife Mary, daughter of John Ashe. They were married at St. Paul's Cathedral, 5 Sept., 1739. She was born 24 Feb., 1693-4.

[2] Benjamin Ball, born 24 October, 1700, West Indian merchant, died at Stonebury, near Buntingford,



MRS. ELIZABETH BODDINGTON,  
NÉE BALL, OF HACKNEY, MIDDLESEX (1701 TO 1745)  
(From a portrait by Van Bleek )





27 April, 1763, s.p., married at St. George's, Bloomsbury, 23 Sept., 1742, Sarah, daughter of — Wilkinson, who was buried at St. John's, Hackney, 10 Oct., 1743.

[3] Elizabeth Ball, born 13 October, 1701, married at St. Michael's, Cornhill, City of London, 9th Feby., 1726-7, died 15 Decr., 1745, buried at Bunhill Fields; she married as his first wife Benjamin, 11th son of George Boddington (Turkey merchant, an original Director of the Bank of England, Governor of the Greenland Company) by his wife Hannah, daughter of John Cope, of the parish of St. Mary, Bothaw, London. Benjn. Boddington was born 26 Oct., 1692, Consul at Aleppo 1712-25, died 10 Sept., 1779, buried St. Helen's, Bishopsgate. They left issue.

The other seven children of Samuel Ball were John, Anne, Elizth., Sarah, Mary, Margaret, and Martha.

We now return to Thomas Ball, the youngest and posthumous son of Samuel Ball, of Maidstone. He was baptized at All Saints', Maidstone, Novr., 1625, was apprenticed 6th July, 1642, and took up the Freedom of the Leathersellers' Company 17th Jany., 1648-9. He was a Citizen and Leatherseller of London, had property at Brasted, Kent; his will, dated 14th Oct., 1679, was pr. 6th Novr. following, by his son-in-law, Benjn. Williams. He married Frances, probably daughter of Brewer, and had issue Frances, who married Benjamin Williams. Thos. Ball in his will refers to his brother and sister, Thomas and Elizabeth Brewer, and his three sisters, Sarah Brewer, Dennis Brewer, and Martha Brewer. These must have been the brother and sisters of his wife, and as Thomas Brewer is named by Samuel Ball as his brother, it seems probable that Thomas Brewer was married to a sister of Samuel Ball's wife, Ann Lavender.

## CHAPTER XIII.

THE PEDIGREE OF BALL, FORMERLY OF RICHMOND HALL,  
AND BALLTOWN, PHILADELPHIA COUNTY, PA, U.S.A.

I. WILLIAM BALL, probably a native of Devonshire, as the family used with a difference the Arms of Ball of Chudleigh, Devon, Armiger, Merchant, and Planter, b. 12 Sept., 1686; m. 1727-8; died 8 Sept., 1740; purchased 21 March, 1728-9, the "Hope Farm," a manor created by Patents under Governors Lovelace and Andross, from James, Duke of York; from the middle of the eighteenth century called "Richmond," now "Port Richmond," and "Balltown." Will proved 11 Nov., 1740 (Phila. Book of Wills, "F," p. 177); married Mary, daughter of Daniel White, b. 1672, of Rhode Island, and his wife Elizabeth, daughter of Francis Bishop, of Whatley, near Frome, Somerset. Mrs. Ball's will was proved 26 May, 1768 (Phila. Book of Wills, "O," p. 234). She died 28 Sept., 1767. Daniel White, aforesaid, was son of Wm. White, of Devizes, Wilts., settled in Newcastle, Delaware, d. intestate, 1686, admon, granted to Edward Blake, 15 March, 1686 (Book "A," Folio 84).

Elizabeth, dr. of Daniel White, and sister of Mrs. Ball, md. Thomas Byles, of Newport, R.I., son of Josiah Byles, of Winchester, Hants., by his first wife Sarah, Thomas Byles, who d. 12 Novr., 1770, aged 84, had issue by her, I., Col. Daniel White Byles, received Lieut.'s Commission, Engl., 1746, d. 15 Feb., 1757, md. Margaret Lambert, and had issue Major Thomas Lambert Byles, U.S. Army, d. 1782, aged 29, s.p.; II., Elizabeth Byles, wife of Wm. Ball (No. 2).

Wm. Ball (I.) had issue by his wife, Mary White, five sons and three daughters, viz.:—

I. William Ball, Merchant and Planter, born 6 Oct., 1729, d. 31 May, 1810; will proved 2 June, 1810 (Phila. Book of Wills, No. 3, p. 193); married Elizabeth, his cousin, daughter of Thomas Byles (niece to Mather Byles, D.D., of Boston, Mass., who was son of Josiah Byles by his second wife, Elizabeth, widow of Wm. Greenough, and daughter of Revd. Increase Mather, son of Cotton Mather); by her he had no issue. He was appointed 15 July, 1761, by the Earl of Kellie, Grand Master of England, to be the first Provincial Grand Master of the Ancient (York) Order of Free Masons of Pennsylvania.

II. Joseph Ball, born 10 Feb., 1731, died 6 Jan., 1791, unmarried.

III. Benjamin Ball, b. 23 Oct., 1732, d. 23 April, 1738.

IV. Anna Ball, b. 3 May, 1736; bur. in Christ Churchyard, Philadelphia; married 15 Oct., 1757, John Gibson, from whom is descended the McCall family of Philadelphia.

V. Samuel Ball, b. 12 Oct., 1737, d. 21 Nov., 1737.

VI. Samuel Ball, Merchant, b. 11 July, 1738, lost at sea about 1782; married Mary Catherine, daughter of Francis (?) Harris, of Wilmington, Delaware, and had issue two sons, of whom below.

VII. and VIII. Elizabeth and Mary, born 12 Feb., 1740, d. inf. twins.

Of Samuel Ball's sons—

1, William Ball, d.y., unmarried. 2, Joseph H. Ball, Esq., b. 4 July, 1776, d. 2 Sept., 1825, will pr. 8 Sept., 1825; married, 29 Oct., 1801, Esther, widow of Thomas Connell, daughter of John Hewson, Capt, U.S. Army, who was son of Peter Hewson, Woollen Draper, of London, and his wife Catherine. Peter Hewson was a direct descendant of the Colonel Hewson of Cromwell's Army, Grandson or Great-Grandson. Captain John Hewson, born 1747, d. 14 Oct., 1822, married Zebiah Smallwood, of Gloster Co., N.J., whose mother was

Margaret, sister of Capt. Cheesman, who was killed while acting as Aide-de-Camp to General Montgomery at the storming of Quebec.

Joseph H. Ball, son of Samuel, by Esther, his wife, had issue—

1. William White Ball, gent, b. 23 Aug., 1802, d. 25 Sept., 1874, married 23 Novr., 1840, Mary Ann, daughter of Thomas Graham, by whom he had issue—

(1) Wm. Ball, b. 30 Jan., 1842, d. 1 Aug., 1868, d. unmarried. (2) Harriet, b. 29 Aug., 1843, died unmarried. (3) Lemuel Ball, b. 5 Oct., 1845, m. 3 May, 1877, Mary, daughter of Geo. M. Castor, and has issue, Nellie, b. 16 May, 1878.

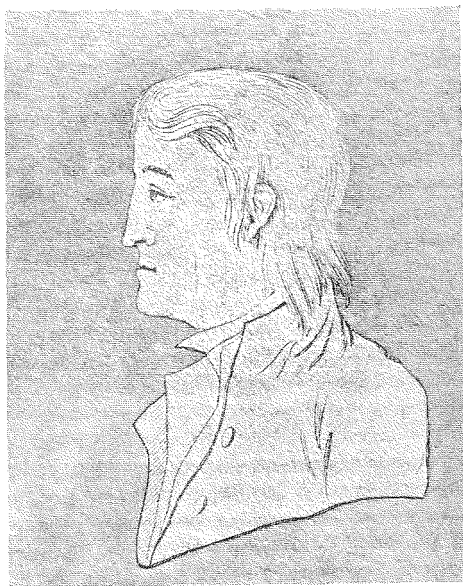
(4) Thomas Connell Ball, b. 2 Aug., 1847, d. 3 Aug., 1847.

(5) Charles Dodson Ball, b. 18 June, 1850, of Holmesburg, Pennsylvania, married, 24 May, 1883, Lilian, daughter of Jacob H. Ziegenfus, and has issue, Clara Ziegenfus, b. 29 Sept., 1884; William White Ball, b. 12 Feb., 1886, died unmarried; Charles Dodson Ball, b. 1889.

2. Samuel Byles Ball, b. 5 Decr., 1804, d. inf., 21 Oct., 1807.

3. Joseph Ingles Ball, gent, b. 13 Feb., 1807, d. 10 Oct., 1854, married 15 Feb., 1838, Rebecca Hawley, daughter of Maberly Whitman, of Frankford, and had issue, Joseph Ball, Barrister, b. 1842, married Sarah, daughter of — Price, of Pottstown, Pennsylvania, and has issue: (1) Joseph Ball, of Frankford, Philadelphia. (2) Henry Price Ball. (3) Edmond de Monceau Ball, d.y., 1888. (4) Arthur William Ball. (5) Rebecca.

4. Benjamin B. Ball, gent, b. 13 Aug., 1809, d. 16 May, 1865, married, 27 Aug., 1833, Elizabeth Quincy, daughter of Jacob Adams, of Germantown, and had issue: (1) Wilfred Ball, b. 4 June, 1834, d. 1905, married Catherine, daughter of Josiah Bailey, of Baltimore, Maryland, and has issue Benjamin Ball, b. 13 Sept.,

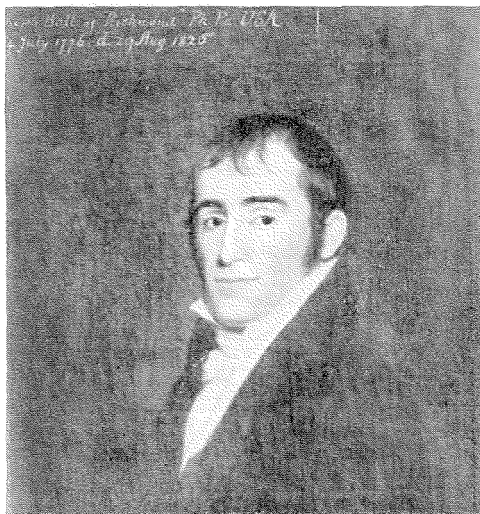


WILLIAM BALL, OF RICHMOND MANOR,  
PHILADELPHIA,

TAKEN AT 80 YEARS OF AGE.

FIRST PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER OF THE GRAND LODGE  
OF PENNSYLVANIA, 1760.

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JOSEPH BALL, OF RICHMOND MANOR,  
PHILADELPHIA, U.S.A.

BORN 1776. DIED 1825.

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1861, d. inf.; Wilfred Ball, b. 31 Oct., 1862, of Philadelphia; Howard Ball, b. 17 May, 1866, d. inf.; Harriet Dodson, b. 3 July, 1870, d. inf.; Esther, b. 16 May, 1873.

(2) Laura, married Louis Guhlager, of New York, and has issue Thomas. (3) Helen, d. inf. (4) Benjamin Franklin Ball, d. inf. (5) George Ball, d. inf.

5. Robert Hewson Ball, fifth son of Joseph Ball, born 17 Sept., 1811, d. inf. 17 May, 1815.

6. George Bicknell Washington Ball, gent., born 18 Sept., 1814; d. 26 Aug., 1882; married 23 July, 1845, Sarah, daughter of Robert Hodgson, of Cecil Co., Maryland, and had issue: (1) George Henry Ball, b. 23 April, 1846, married Rena Hunt, daughter of Philip F. Slack, and lives at Mount Holly, New Jersey. (2) Robert Hodgson Ball, b. 1 March, 1852, married Lilian R., daughter of Edw. J. Burrows, both deceased, had issue, Lilian Meredith, b. 24 Novr., 1878. Mr. John Hawley Taussig, of Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, younger son of Admiral Edward David Taussig, U.S.N., and has issue, Ellen Meredith, b. 13 July, 1906. (3) Louis Irving Ball, b. 1 Feb., 1860.

7. Samuel Chandler Ball, b. 1 Feb., 1816, d. inf., April 18, 1820.

8. Charles Henry Ball, gent, b. 1 Jan., 1817, d. 29 Oct., 1852, married, 19 May, 1841, Sarah Catherine, daughter of Col. Joseph Paxton, of Catawissa, Pa, and had issue: (1) Harriet, d. inf. (2) Mary, b. 25 May, 1843, d. 6 Dec., 1898, married Nathaniel Holmes Bishop, gent, late of Boston, and Lake George New York, deceased; author of "2,000 Miles in a Paper Canoe." (3) Sarah Spencer Ball; married Wm. Kirkham Kitchen, gent, of New York; they live at Augusta, Georgia.

9. Harriet Stiles Ball, b. 10 May, 1822, d. 13 Mar., 1902, bur. in Parochial Cemetery, Brighton, married 1 Jan., 1846, Richard Whatcoat Dodson, gent (eldest surviving son of Joseph Dodson, Planter, Captain

U.S.A. Army, 1812, b. 28 Oct., 1764, d. 1 Aug., 1813, of Cambridge, Dorchester Co., and St. Michael's, Talbot, Co. Maryland, by his second wife, Priscilla Barnett), b. 5 Feb., 1812, d. 23 July, 1867, bur. in churchyard of St. James the Less, Philadelphia, and by him had issue:—

(1) Sarah Paxton Ball Dodson, b. 22 Feb., 1847, d. 8 Jan., 1906.

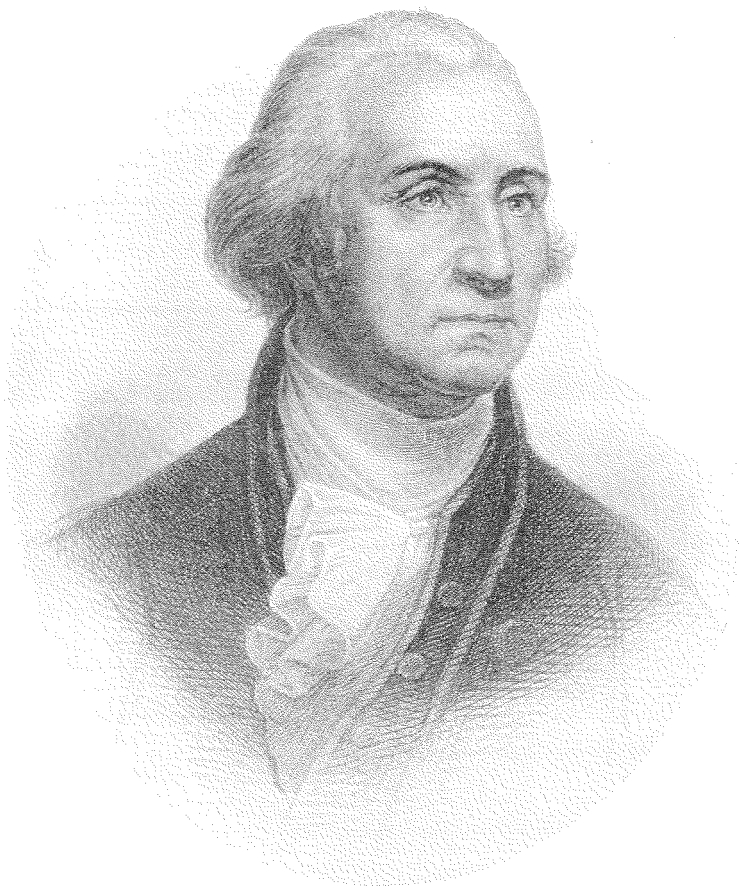
(2) Richard Ball Dodson, gent., b. 10 March, 1853, of 1, Vicarage Gardens, Brighton, unmarried.

*Arms*, as used in the family.

*Arg.*, a chevron Sa. betw. 3 fireballs, ppr.

*Crest*, an arm holding a fireball ppr.





GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON,  
"FATHER OF HIS COUNTRY,"  
FIRST PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
SON OF MARY BALL WASHINGTON.  
(From painting by Peale.)



CHAPTER XIV.  
SOME FACTS CONCERNING COLONEL  
WILLIAM BALL,  
OF "MILLENBECK,"  
AND HIS DESCENDANTS IN VIRGINIA.

**D**URING the Cromwellian Period there was an increase of population on the Virginia side of the Potomac. Among other settlers at that time were Colonel William Ball, Richard Lee, John Carter, Isaac Allerton, and John and Lawrence Washington, who settled in the part of Virginia now known as the "Northern Neck," and became intimately associated, and, by marriage, closely connected.

Colonel William Ball, the founder of the Ball family in Virginia, settled in Lancaster County, on the Corotoman, a branch of the Rappahannock River, in 1650, and called his place "Millenbeck," probably from a place in the Midland Counties of England.

The "Northern Neck" is a narrow peninsula lying between the waters of the Potomac and Rappahannock, and is composed of five counties, viz.:—King George, Westmoreland, Richmond, Lancaster, and Northumberland. Westmoreland has the distinction of having been the birthplace of three Presidents, Washington, Madison, and Monroe, and also of Robert E. Lee. Lancaster is the lower county of the peninsula, and is one of the thirteen counties of the Virginia colony, and at that time included the territory now known as Richmond and Middlesex Counties. It was in the lower end of Lancaster County that Colonel William Ball made his home. He is spoken of first as a

merchant, as were many of the "gentlemen settlers" who came to Virginia for political reasons, or for the opportunities that a new country seemed to possess for the betterment of fortunes often spent in "riotous living" in the mother country, but that Colonel William Ball was a man of consequence is shown by the prominent position he soon occupied in his adopted country, and by the fact that he brought with him a handsomely illuminated copy, on parchment, of the Coat-of-Arms granted his family, the Balls of Northamptonshire, Cheshire, and Kent, in 1613. This copy of the Coat-of-Arms is now in possession of a member of the Lancaster branch of the family, and is in good preservation, the colours as fresh as when it came from the hands of the artist. A few years ago, while one of the Lancaster Balls was in England, he took occasion to look up the Coat-of-Arms of the Northamptonshire Balls, and have a copy of the same made. On his return to this country he compared the copy brought, with the one so long preserved in his family, and found them the same in every particular. It is assigned in the College of Arms, London, to \*Revd. Richard Ball, D.D., son of Lawrence Ball, of Northamptonshire, 1613.

But little is definitely known of the English ancestry of the Balls of Virginia prior to Colonel William Ball coming to this country in 1650. He is spoken of in the "Cheshire Visitation" as a soldier under Fairfax. There are some reasons for believing that he was a younger brother of John Ball, of Kent, who was extolled for his piety and learning by Fuller, a noted writer and preacher, who lived in Northamptonshire, England, in the middle and latter part of the 17th century. Colonel Ball is said to have reluctantly

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\* This Richard Ball was Vicar of St. Helen's, Bishopsgate, 1606-13, according to Revd. Dr. Cox, in the Register is recorded 1618, Rebecca, dau. of Mr. Ball, Vicar; and in 1631 a payment of £160 is made to him on account of Tithe.



MARY BALL, WIFE OF AUGUSTINE WASHINGTON,  
AND  
MOTHER OF GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON.

(From a picture by Thomas Hudson, in possession of E. L. Morse,  
of Washington, D.C., U.S.A.)



served in the Royal Army, and to have been in the battles of Naseby and Marston Moor. His estate, which was considerable, was much injured in the Civil Wars. After the death of the King Colonel Ball came to Virginia in company with other Royalists and Churchmen. That he was a Churchman, and a zealous supporter of the Church of England in Virginia, is shown by the fact that he was a member of the committee appointed to arrange for the government and support of the Church in Virginia, before he was made Warden of Christ Church, Lancaster County, in company with his friend and neighbour, John Washington, grandfather of General George Washington. In connection with this it may be interesting to note that James Ball of Bewdley and Joseph Ball of Morattico, grandsons of Colonel William Ball, got permission in 1740 to build a gallery in White Chapel Church, Lancaster County, which permission was granted on condition that the gallery be completed by the time the church was finished. This gallery was occupied by the descendants of James Ball, and of Frances, only child of Joseph Ball, who married Raleigh Downman of Morattico, until it was set apart at the beginning of the Civil War for the coachmen and other servants of the attendants at the church, and from then until now the Balls and Downmans have occupied seats in the body of the church.

It may be also interesting to note that at an early period of our history a measure was set on foot for educating a number of youths of Virginia for the Episcopal ministry. This measure originated with Joseph Ball, grandson of Colonel William Ball, and a half brother of Mary (Ball) Washington. The proposition was directed to the Virginia Assembly in 1729, and from this little seed, sown by a loyal Churchman, the Episcopal Seminary at Alexandria, Virginia, has grown. Ordained clergymen from this institution are found wherever the Episcopal Church is

known, and in many of the States the presiding bishop is a Virginian, who has imbibed his love for the Church and his desire to keep it in line with true Churchmanship as conceived by the fathers from this school, which Joseph Ball was instrumental in founding, and in which his kinsman, General George Washington, ever evinced a lively interest.

The General Court was an august and aristocratic body composed of men known then as "gentlemen," who were men of family, wealth, and distinction, and whose official position added still more to their importance. They, with the governor, formed the executive council, who dispensed the entire patronage of the county in the way of appointments, at the same time that each individual member was commissioned colonel by Royal Authority. In a list of civil and military officers, 1680, Colonel William Ball appears first on the list, so, whether he was County Lieutenant or not, he was doubtless Presiding Magistrate and Colonel Commandant of the County. He was the only colonel given in the list, John Carter being Lieutenant-Colonel.

Before coming to Virginia, Colonel William Ball married Hannah Atherall of Burgh, Suffolk, England, by whom he had four children, Richard, William, Joseph, and Hannah. "Richard, the eldest son of Colonel William Ball, died in infancy," says Rev. Horace Edwin Hayden, in his work "Virginia Genealogies." There has been, however, for generations a tradition in the Ball family of Lancaster County that this son was of a peculiar disposition, preferring a life of solitude and isolation. The tradition says further that his father gave him an estate in Richmond County, then a part of Lancaster, and that he lived there a bachelor, and died there. The place is now the property of a gentleman residing in Essex County, Virginia, and is called "Cobham Park." A few years ago, while having some cleaning done, a brick



grave was discovered, over which there was a marble slab similar to those covering the graves of the early Balls at White Chapel Church. Time and neglect have almost obliterated the inscription, but enough is left to show that it is the grave of a Ball, and the old heads of the family then living, recollecting the tradition, pronounced it the grave of Richard Ball. In a late number of the "Virginia Magazine," Dr. Christopher Johnston, of Baltimore, writes of a "Missing Ball," one Richard, who married in Maryland and died there, leaving one child, a daughter, to whom he devised property.

William (2) Ball, second son of Colonel William Ball, married Margaret Downman, daughter of Raleigh Downman of "Morattico," in Lancaster County. Margaret Downman was his second wife. He first married Miss Harris, of "Bay View," in Northumberland County. By his first wife he had no children. There were nine by the second marriage:—

FIRST:—William (3) Ball married, 1744, Hannah Beale by whom he had six children, William, George, Sarah, Judith, Ellen, and Hannah.

SECOND:—Captain Richard Ball, who married Miss Young of Northumberland County, and settled in Lancaster County. There were four children by this marriage, Sarah, Margaret, Hannah, and Esther. Hannah married Peter Montague, and Sarah married Richard Mitchell.

THIRD:—Major James Ball, of "Bewdley," married (1) Eliza Howson, (2) Mary (Conway) Daingerfield, (3) Anne (Bertrand) Ballendine. By his first marriage James had three children, Anne, Elizabeth, and Eliza. There were no children by the third marriage, but his second wife had ten, Mary, Frances, Eve, Jesse, James, Edwin, Jeduthun, Mary, and Sarah.

FOURTH:—Captain Joseph Ball, who married Mary Spencer and settled in Northumberland County.

He had five children, Spencer, Richard, Sarah, Joseph, and William.

FIFTH:—Captain George Ball married (1) Miss Haynie, (2) Grace Waddy. He also settled in Northumberland County. He had no children by his first marriage, but by his second wife had eight, John, David, Captain George, Jr., Joseph, Richard, Sarah, Harris Downman, and Grace. Captain Joseph and Captain George Ball were the heads of the Northumberland Line of Balls in Virginia.

SIXTH:—Samuel, settled in Culpeper County, and married Miss Anne Taylor, by whom he had William and Patty.

In the White Chapel Churchyard there is a tomb to the memory of "David Ball, twin and seventh son of Captain William Ball, Gent. Dec'd was born ye 14th day of September 1686 and died ye 24th day of December 1732 in the 47th year of his age."

EIGHTH:—Stretchley, twin brother of David, died in infancy.

NINTH:—Margaret, only daughter and last child of Captain William Ball, married Raleigh Downman, son of Raleigh and — Travers Downman, of Lancaster County, Virginia. There were five children from this marriage, two of whom married cousins Ball. William, who married Ellen Ball, and Raleigh, who married Frances Ball, Christopher, Charles, and Elisha.

Colonel Joseph Ball, of "Epping Forest," third child of Colonel William Ball and grandfather of General George Washington, married first Julia Romney, an Englishwoman, by whom he had one son, Joseph (2) Ball, and four daughters. Esther married Raleigh Chinn, Hannah married Raleigh Travers, Anne married Edwin Conway, and Elizabeth married Joseph Carnegie. Anne (Ball) Conway was the ancestress of President Madison. Joseph (2) Ball married in England Frances Ravenscroft, by whom he had several children, all of whom died in infancy except one daughter,

Frances, who married Raleigh Downman, her cousin, of "Morattico," Lancaster County, Virginia. Hence the male line of Joseph Ball, of "Epping Forest," became extinct. Joseph (1) Ball married the second time Mary (Montague) Johnson, widow, by whom he had one child, Mary, who married Augustine Washington, son of John Washington. There were six children from this marriage.

FIRST:—George, "The father of his country, the glory of the American people, and the pride of the civilised world."

SECOND:—Betty, who married Colonel Fielding Lewis.

THIRD:—Samuel, married (1) Jane Champ, (2) Mildred Thornton, (3) Lucy Chapman.

FOURTH:—Augustine, married Hannah Bushrod.

FIFTH:—Charles, married Mildred Thornton.

SIXTH:—Mildred, who died young.

The fourth and last child of Colonel William Ball, of "Millenbeck," Hannah, married Captain David Fox. There were several children from this marriage. The eldest daughter, Elizabeth, married Charles Burgess, of England, and their daughter, Elizabeth, married Jeduthun Ball, from which marriage the "Burgess Ball Line" has sprung. The widow of Judge Charles Burgess Ball is now, and has been for years, Vice-Regent from Virginia of the Ladies' Mount Vernon Association, which association has done so much towards preserving the home of Washington, and many beautiful and historic relics connected with the early history of this nation, and made it one of the show places of this country.

The Communion service of silver used still at White Chapel Church was the gift of Captain David Fox, husband of Hannah Ball, in 1688. In the chancel of the same church are three handsome tablets, on which are engraved the Creed, Lord's Prayer, and Ten

Commandments, which were placed there by David and William Fox, sons of Hannah (Ball) Fox, in 1702.

All of the descendants of Colonel William Ball, who bear the name of Ball, sprung from Captain William Ball, as the male line of Joseph Ball became extinct with his son Joseph (2), and Richard never married.

### "MILLENBECK."

#### THE FIRST HOME OF THE BALLS IN VIRGINIA.

**F**OR six generations there was a William Ball of Millenbeck:—

FIRST:—Colonel William Ball, of Northamptonshire, England, settled there about the year 1650, bringing with him from England his wife, Hannah Atherall, and four children, William, Joseph, Richard, and Hannah.

SECOND:—Captain William Ball (2), married (1) Miss Harris, of "Bay View," Northumberland County. There were no children by this marriage. He married the second time Margaret Downman, daughter of Raleigh Downman, of Morattico, Lancaster County, Virginia, by whom he had nine children, William, Richard, James, Joseph, George, Samuel, David, Stretchley, and Margaret.

THIRD:—William (3) Ball married Hannah Beale, 1744, by whom he had five children, William, George, Sarah, Judith, and Hannah.

FOURTH:—William (4) Ball, married his cousin, Margaret Ball, daughter of Captain Richard Ball by his wife Sarah Young. He had six children, Richard, Williamson, Benjamin, William, Elizabeth, Sarah.

FIFTH:—William (5) Ball, married Lettice Lee, daughter of Colonel Henry Lee, of Lee Hall, Westmoreland County, Virginia. One child, William, survived his father.

SIXTH:—William (6) Ball, M.D., was the last in the male line to own Millenbeck. His daughter, Cordelia, was his sole heiress and mistress of the old home of her ancestors. She married John Gilmour, son of "John of Scotland," a man of considerable wealth for those times. They had one child, a son, William, who married Frances Downman, by whom he had one son, John Morton Gilmour, the last of his name, and heir to the two farms of his grandmother, Cordelia, and of the Gilmour estate, "Belmont." Mrs. Frances Gilmour married the second time Dr. William Jones, of Gloucester County, Virginia. One year after his mother's second marriage, John Morton Gilmour died, and his mother inherited his entire estate. Dr. Jones induced her to deed it all to him, and after her death he married Sophia (Chinn) Downman, widow of Joseph Downman, of "Belle Isle." One child, a daughter, Willie Jones, was the fruit of this union. She died at the early age of sixteen while on a visit to her aunt, Mrs. Cordelia Ball Chinn. By the conditions of her father's will her entire estate, including Millenbeck, which had been in the possession of the Ball family for almost two hundred years, passed into the hands of the Jones family, by whom it was sold about the year 1860.

Nothing remains of the old house at "Millenbeck." The high bluff on which it stood overlooking the Corotoman River has been gradually worn away by the rising tides and the force of the river. A pile of brick and mortar, a number of bottle necks, the remains of the old wine cellars, on some of which the initials W.B., with the three estoiles of the Ball Coat-of-Arms, may be seen, show at low tide where the old house stood. In 1698 "Millenbeck" was made a Port of Entry, Colonel William Ball having sold fifty-four acres of his estate as a town site.

"EPPING FOREST."  
THE HOME OF COLONEL JOSEPH BALL,  
GRANDFATHER OF  
GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON.

"EPPING FOREST," the home of Colonel Joséph (1) Ball is situated in the upper part of Lancaster County. Nothing is left of the old house at Epping Forest, the birthplace of the mother of Washington, but a heap of brick and mortar, which marks the spot where the house stood, and over which is growing a thicket of locusts and wild plum bushes. The farm lies on what is known as "Chinn's Lane," and adjoins "Oakley," the seat of the Chinns in Lancaster County, and the home of Esther, third child of Joseph (1) Ball, who married Raleigh Chinn.

It was the custom of the Virginians in the olden time to bury their dead in close proximity to their homes, and the family at "Epping Forest" seemed to have been no exception to the rule, for we find the graves of Joseph Ball and his two wives near the spot where the old house stood, the slabs moss-grown and the inscriptions almost worn away by the hand of time and the storms of nearly two centuries.

It will be remembered that Joseph (1) Ball had five daughters, of whom the mother of Washington was the youngest, and but one son, Joseph (2) Ball, who was educated in England, and while there met and fell in love with Frances Ravenscroft, an only child and heiress. He was married in England, and lived there during the greater part of his married life, although his letter book now in possession of a descendant shows that he made many voyages across the ocean, and took a keen interest in the affairs of the colony, especially in everything relating to the church here. But one child survived Joseph (2) Ball, a daughter, Frances, who married her cousin, Raleigh Downman, of



THE ARMS OF COLONEL WILLIAM BALL,  
OF MILLENBECK, VIRGINIA, 1650.

GR TED. TO REVD. RICHD., SON OF LAWRENCE BALL,  
OF NORTHAMPTON, 1613.

(From the original Parchment in the possession of Wm Ball's  
descendants.)



BEWDLEY, VIRGINIA,

THE HOME OF THE BALL FAMILY, BUILT IN 1680.





"Morattico," Lancaster County, Virginia, who met his wife also while at school in England. James (5) Ball, of Bewdley, married a daughter of Frances and Raleigh Downman, thereby making the "Bewdley Line of Balls" among the nearest of kin to Mary (Ball) Washington, being both lineally and collaterally related. This line have in their possession a handsome illuminated copy of the Ravenscroft Coat-of-Arms painted on parchment, and also another of the Balls, on which are quartered the Ravenscroft Arms, both of which were brought to this country by Joseph (2) Ball after his marriage with Frances Ravenscroft in England, and are in good preservation.

#### "BEWDLEY."

NOT far from "Epping Forest," in the upper part of Lancaster County, was the home of Major James Ball, third son of Captain William (2) Ball, which was built on land inherited from his father on the Rappahannock River, and which he called "Bewdley," tradition says after a home of his ancestors (probably near Bewdley, in Worcestershire, England). The house was built about the year 1698, and, like Millenbeck, the site chosen was a bluff overlooking the river, which at this point is nearly three miles wide. The high tides have encroached on the lands, and much of what was once an extensive lawn, sloping to the water's edge, has been destroyed. The style of architecture is quaint. The large outside chimneys, now mantled in Kenilworth Ivy, and the high gabled roof, ornamented with two sets of dormer windows, are its most distinctive characteristics. A broad hall, wainscoted in oak, with heavy beams and rafters exposed, occupies the centre of the house, with two rooms on either side panelled in oak. The parlour is to the left of the entrance, the walls of which are adorned with ancient copies of the family coats-of-arms. To the rear of the parlour is the dining-room, the scene

of much lavish hospitality in the days when slaves were numerous, and the family exchequer richer than at the present day. A story is told of an incident which occurred at a family gathering in this room in the time of James (5) Ball. A discussion arose as to the attitude the family should assume in reference to a marriage recently contracted by a kinswoman which was considered a *mésalliance*. According to a custom long observed in Virginia, the genial host was dispensing toddy before dinner was served. He paused in his occupation to say to a nephew, the one most loud in his condemnation of the undesirable connection, "Ah, Master Robert,

*'Honour and fame from no condition rise,  
Act well your part, there all the honour lies.'*"

As he finished the couplet he fell to the floor insensible, and never regained consciousness, but passed away to the reward of a blameless life, and to that charity which "thinketh no evil." The inscription on his tomb in the Ball Corner of the old White Chapel graveyard records the fact that he married Frances Ravenscroft Downman, of Morattico, and that "One grave holds the faithful pair."

The other two rooms on the first floor at Bewdley have always been used as the "Ole Mistiss' Room," according to Ante-Bellum parlance, and the nursery, where for several successive generations the Balls (among them always a little James) have fought their little battles, played their little games, and lived the life that was to fit them for the struggle that awaits us all, no matter what the social condition. In olden times there were extensive wings to the house, but they have long since disappeared, as have also the quarters, where for more than a century and a half, the negro slaves (of which there were a great many at one time) made their homes. The widow of James (4) Ball, who was Lettice Lee, of "Ditchley," occupied one of

the wings after the marriage of her son, and kept up a separate establishment, occupying herself overlooking the work of her slaves, who spun and wove and made the clothes for the field-hands, as was the custom of the house-servants on the large plantations at the South in the days before the war. A handsome portrait of this Mrs. Ball, by Reynolds, was cut out of the frame and carried off during the Civil War, but a copy of it is in the hands of a descendant. Mrs. Ball is represented as a woman of great personal beauty, of a patrician type, which is enhanced by the rich lace with which her cap and kerchief are adorned, of which adornment Mrs. Ball is said to have been especially fond. A portrait of her husband represents the old gentleman with his hair arranged in a queue according to the fashion of his day. With his lace ruffles and velvet coat he looks the "gentleman of the old school," and in cast of feature much resembles his kinsman, George Washington.

It is said that during the Revolutionary War, and also the War of 1812, lights were placed in the upper dormer windows at Bewdley as signals to the passing gunboats. In later times, before wharves became so numerous along the Rappahannock River, passengers for the steamboat would go there to take the boat, when the family would send their faithful old house-servant, "Uncle Ike," with a lighted candle to place in the dormer window on the upper tier as a signal to the boat that a passenger was waiting to embark. The captain, seeing the light and recognising the signal, would "hove to," and send a small boat to the shore for the wayfarer.

The Bewdley Line of Balls is as follows:—

FIRST:—Major JAMES (3) BALL, William (2), William (1) married (1) Eliza Howson, (2) Mary (Conway) Daingerfield, (3) Mary Anne (Bertrand) Ballendine. There were three children by the first marriage, Anne, Elizabeth, and Elsa. His second

wife had ten children, Mary, Frances, Sarah, Eve, Jesse, James, Jeduthun, Sinah, and Edwin. There were no children by his third wife.

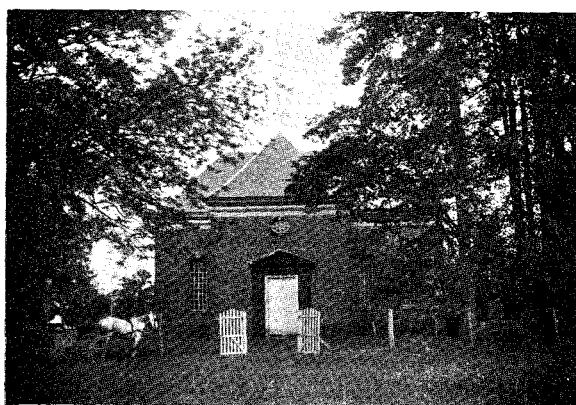
SECOND:—James (4) Ball, called the "Little Colonel," was married three times. His first marriage is on the family chart, but the name of the wife is not given. The old tomb at White Chapel Church, "To the memory of Mildred, second wife of James Ball, Jr., Gent, and to Lettice Lee, third wife of James Ball, Jr., Gent, and Daughter of Richard Lee, of 'Ditchley,'" shows that he was married three times. His second wife, Mildred, had one son and three daughters, Jesse, Mildred, Sarah, and Anne. His third wife, Lettice Lee, had five children, Judith, James, Anne, Sarah, and Frances. His first wife had no children.

THIRD:—James (5) Ball, married Frances Ravenscroft Downman, daughter of Frances Ravenscroft (Ball) and Raleigh Downman, of "Morattico," by whom he had four sons, Joseph, William Lee, Atherall, James Kendall, and one daughter, Frances Ravenscroft, m. (1) Captain F. H. Carter; m. (2) Captain Wm. D. McCarty, whose dr Cordelia Ball McCarthy m<sup>d</sup> A. O. Yerby, whose dr, Miss E. S. Yerby, drew up these notes.

FOURTH:—James Kendall (6) Ball, married Eliza Blackwell, daughter of General John and Mrs. Judith Lee Blackwell. There were four children from this marriage, John Barton, James Kendall, Fayette, and Octavia Augusta.

FIFTH:—James Kendall (7) Ball, C. S. A., married Fannie Iglehart of Maryland, by whom he had two children, James Kendall and Julia Iglehart.

SIXTH:—James Kendall (8) Ball, present owner and occupant of Bewdley, married Miss Fannie Sullivan, of Lancaster County, Virginia, by whom he has three daughters, Gennie, Bessie, and Octavia Augusta.



WHITECHAPEL CHURCH, LANCASTER COUNTY,  
VIRGINIA.

THE PARISH CHURCH OF THE BALLS OF BEWDLEY.



THE PULPIT AND READING PEW  
OF WHITECHAPEL CHURCH, VIRGINIA.

WITH THE BALL PEW IN FRONT.



## WHITE CHAPEL CHURCH.

**W**HITE CHAPEL CHURCH has been the scene of many incidents connected with the history of the Ball family in Lancaster County, and it is still the object of much pride and veneration to the descendants, who are regular attendants, and worship each Sunday where their ancestors have been wont to pray. It is situated on what is known as the "main County Road," and is about two miles from "Bewdley," and nine from "Millenbeck." In former days the church was cruciform, but when repaired and renovated some years ago a portion of it was taken away, and but little more than half of the original structure remains; that, however, is in good preservation. At the time the change was made the pulpit, pews, and also the floor were altered, the stone floor replaced by one of plank, and the high pulpit and pews by those better suited to the requirements of modern times. The high, many-paned windows remain, which with their high arched tops, fitted with glass of every shape and size, give to the edifice a quaint and sombre appearance. The tablets before referred to as the gift of William and David Fox, grandsons of Colonel William Ball, ornament the chancel, and the Ball and Downman galleries are as they used to be, and are reached by a steep and narrow stairway, which occasions some wonder as to how those "Grandes Dames" in stiff silk and buckram could make their way with dignity to their accustomed seats.

A corner of the yard, in the early days of the church, was set apart as a burial place for the Ball family, and a number of tombs covering a period of nearly two hundred years, mark the resting-place of members of that family. Three years ago Captain James Ball, C.S.A. (7), of "Bewdley," was placed in line with his fathers who had preceded him to the "great

beyond." The old tombs are all box-shaped, and massive in style and finish, the inscriptions are worn, but the tombs are for the most part intact.

The following are some of the inscriptions on the tombs in the Ball Corner of White Chapel Churchyard:—

"Here lieth the body of Mildred Ball, wife of James Ball, Jr., Gent., who departed this life the first day of December, 1751, in the 26th year of her age, leaving one son and three daughters, having faithfully discharged the several duties incumbent on a wife, parent, neighbour and a Christian."

"Here lieth the body of Mary, wife of James Ball, Jr., Gent., and daughter of Rev. John Bertrand. She departed this life on the 12th day of February, 1749, in the 60th year of her age. She was a dutiful wife, faithful mother, and very charitable to the poor."

"Here lieth interred the body of Jesse Ball, Gent. He was born the 27th day of June, 1716, and died the 14th day of August, in the 32nd year of his age."

"Here lieth the body of Mary, the wife of James Ball, Gent., and daughter of Edwin Conway, who departed this life the 15th day of September, 1730, in the 44th year of her age, leaving three sons and five daughters. She was a loving wife and tender mother, a peaceful and good neighbour, and died a pattern of piety and virtue. Here also lieth interred the body of the above-mentioned James Ball, Gent., son of William Ball, Gent., who departed this life the 13th day of October, 1754, in the 76th year of his age, having lived in the constant practice of temperance and sobriety and of moral virtue and died in a steadfast faith in Christ and full hope of a glorious resurrection."

"Here lieth interred the body of Mr. David Ball, seventh son of Captain William Ball, Gent. Deceased was born ye 26th of September, 1686, and departed this life ye 11th day of December, 1732, in the 47th year of his age."

"Here lieth the body of Lettice Lee, wife of James Ball, and daughter of Richard Lee, Gent., of Ditchley Hall, who died December 17th, 1811, in the 81st year of her age."

"Here lieth interred the body of Col. James Ball, Gent., son of James and Lettice Lee Ball, born February 20th, 1755, and died December 18th, 1825, and of Fanny his wife, daughter of Raleigh and Frances (Ball) Downman, of "Morattico."

"One grave holds the faithful pair."



THE NORTHUMBERLAND LINE OF BALLS  
DESCENDED FROM  
COLONEL WILLIAM BALL,  
OF "MILLENBECK."

COLONEL JOSEPH BALL, fourth child of Captain William (2) Ball, settled in Northumberland County at "Coan," the estate inherited from his father, and married Mary Spencer, by whom he had five children, Spencer, Richard, Sarah, Joseph, and William.

SPENCER (4) BALL, Joseph (3), William (2), William (1), married Miss Mottrom, by whom he had seven children, Spencer Mottrom, James, Jesse, William, Judith, and two other daughters, who married respectively Mr. Roane and Mr. Kenner, and whose children, Spencer mentions in his will. Colonel Spencer Ball was a member of the Westmoreland Association, and was one of the signers of the Address of 1766, expressing in unmistakable terms the determination to resist the Stamp Act. He was a member of the Northumberland Court and of the House of Burgesses for Lancaster County.

Spencer Mottrom (5) Ball, married Elizabeth Waring of Essex Co., Virginia, by whom he had eight children, Spencer Mottrom, William, Henry Waring, Lucy, Elizabeth, Anne, and Judith. He was a member of the Westmoreland Association at the time that his father was also a member, and of the Williamsburg Association, and also of the House of Burgesses.

Spencer (6) Ball, married Elizabeth Landon Carter, daughter of Robert Carter, of "Nomini Hall," Westmoreland County, by whom he had seven children, Lucy Elizabeth, Spencer Mottrom, Frances Waring, Alfred, Adeline, Fanny Tasker, and Louisa. Mr. Ball graduated A. B. College of New Jersey, and was justice of Prince William County, to which county he removed after his marriage.

"Nomini Hall," one of the favourite residences of Robert, or "Councillor Carter," by which name he is better known in Virginia, is in Westmoreland County. The house, which was a handsome structure, was destroyed by fire some years ago and a modern and less costly edifice erected in its place. A broad avenue forming the approach to the house, bordered on either side by handsome tulip poplars, which meet and form a canopy overhead, lend a stateliness to the old place, that even the modern and comparatively cheap house cannot altogether spoil.

Mottrom Ball Spencer (4), Joseph (3), William (2), William (1), of "Coan, in Northumberland County, married Martha Corbin Turberville. He graduated in medicine at the University of Glasgow, Scotland, and practised in Northumberland County until his property was destroyed by the British in 1814, after which he removed to Fairfax County, Virginia. His children were Spencer Mottrom, Lewin Turberville, Lucy Waring, and William Waring.

Colonel Spencer Mottrom Ball Spencer (6), Spencer Mottrom (5), Spencer (4), Joseph (3), William (2), William (1), married Mary Dulaney, of Fairfax County, by whom he had seven children, Mottrom Dulaney, Lucian Dulaney, Rebecca French, Nancy Hunter, William Selwyn, James May, and Anne Corbin.

Lieut.-Colonel Mottrom Dulaney Ball (8), C. S. A., Spencer Mottrom (7), Mottrom (6), Spencer Mottrom (5), Spencer (4), Joseph (3), William (2), William (1), married Sallie Lewis Wright, by whom he had nine children, Mary Stewart, William Dulaney, Sallie Lewis, Mottrom Corbin, Caroline Linton, James Stewart, Frances Addison, Francis Malory, and Virginia Dulaney.

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"Crest Field," in Northumberland County, was the home of Captain George Ball, fifth child of William

(2) Ball, which he inherited from his father. He settled there early in life, and married (1) Miss Haynie, (2) Grace Waddy. There were no children by the first marriage, but his second wife had eight, John, David, Captain George Ball, Jr., Joseph, Richard, Sarah, Harris Downman, and Grace. John married, and died early in life, leaving one child, a daughter. David never married, but is known in the family as "Maiden David." In his will David Ball mentions his cousin David Ball, "son of my brother, George Ball," and other legatees, all of his family, most of whom bore the family name. The land devised in this will, dated 1779, remained in possession of this line of Balls until recent years. Captain George Ball, Jr., third son of Captain George Ball, married Anne Taylor. Their son, Captain David Ball, married Hannah Haynie. He was Captain by Royal Commission, and is probably the David Ball spoken of as vestryman of Wicomoco Church in 1770. His son, David Ball, was Rector of All Hallows Church, Worcester, Maryland. He was once President of the Diocesan Convention, and was five times member of the Standing Committee of the Diocese. Two of his sons were prominent members of the Methodist Protestant Church of Maryland.

Mr. Thomas Ball, after several years spent in the West, returned to Virginia in the last decade, and purchased "Crest Field," the home of his immediate line of ancestors. His brother, Warner Ball, married Miss Lelia Carter, of "Midway," Lancaster County, and is now practising law in that county. William (2) Ball, David Ball, George Ball, George Ball Jr., and Dr. Thomas Ball, grandfather of the present owner of the place, are all buried at "Crest Field," in the old family graveyard.

While not belonging to the Northumberland Line of Balls it may not be out of place to note the fact here that Joseph (6) Ball, son of James (5) Ball, of Bewdley, owned "Ditchley," the seat of the Lees in

Northumberland County, having purchased the same from his cousin, William Lee. Joseph (6) Ball married Olivia (Downman) Chinn, by whom he had one son, Flexmer Ball, who died in recent years, leaving a large family of sons and daughters, some of whom reside with their mother in the old home of their ancestors.

"Ditchley" was built in 1688 by Hancock Lee, son of Richard Lee, the founder of the Lee family in Virginia, who came to this country the same time as did Colonel William Ball, and settled on the Potomac River in Westmoreland County. Hancock Lee married (1) Mary Kendall, daughter of Colonel William Kendall, hence the name of Kendall as it appears in several instances in the "Bewdley Line of Balls," through their ancestress, Lettice Lee, daughter of Richard Lee (Hancock's Son) of Ditchley, who married James (4) Ball of Bewdley. Hancock's second wife was a daughter of Isaac Allerton, who also came to this country about the same time as William Ball of Millenbeck. Isaac Allerton's mother was a daughter of "Elder" Brewster, who came to Massachusetts in the Mayflower, 1620. This is the only instance recorded in the family of a marriage outside of the Virginia Colony. The early Virginians, and even those in later years, seem to have lived in a somewhat restricted sphere, and to have married and inter-married until in some instances, notably that of the Balls and Downmans, it is difficult to trace the relationship.

#### THE BURGESS BALL LINE.

THE Burgess Ball Line, which has furnished some prominent men of that name, should be mentioned here.

Jeduthun Ball, twelfth child of Major James Ball, of "Bewdley," William (2), William (1), married Elizabeth Burgess, daughter of Charles Burgess of England, and grand-daughter of Hannah (Ball) Fox,

who was the only daughter of Colonel William Ball, of "Millenbeck." Jeduthun died at the early age of twenty-six, leaving a widow and an infant son, born the year of his father's death. The child was called Burgess, and seems to have been taken at once to the heart and home of his grandfather, for when Major James Ball died, a few years later, he left Burgess Ball a large tract of land in Spotsylvania, King George, and Stafford Counties, together with twenty-one negro slaves.

Colonel Burgess Ball, Jeduthun (4), James (3), William (2), William (1), married Frances Washington, daughter of Charles Washington, grand-daughter of Mary (Ball) Washington, and niece of General George Washington. He settled in Spotsylvania County, on a part of the land inherited from his grandfather, James Ball, and called his home "Travellers' Rest." Frances Washington was his second wife. He married first Mary Chichester. By his first marriage he had one son, Burgess Ball, who died while attending the Medical College at Philadelphia, and one daughter, Eliza Burgess, who married Colonel Armistead Long. By his second marriage Colonel Burgess Ball had eight children:—

FIRST:—Mary Washington, who died in infancy.

SECOND:—George Washington, who also died young.

THIRD:—Mildred Thornton, who married William Thompson Mason.

FOURTH:—Captain George Washington Ball, who died at the age of twenty-six, unmarried.

FIFTH:—Fayette, born April 20, 1791, died May 8, 1835, who married (1) Frances Williams, (2) Mary Thompson Mason, and had issue by his second wife: i., Captain George Washington Ball, born February 19, 1828, married 1850 Mary B., daughter of Captain C. Carter, and has issue; ii., Mary Faucet, d.y.

SIXTH :—Charles Burgess, who married Lucy Throckmorton Potter.

SEVENTH :—Frances Washington.

EIGHTH :—Martha Washington.

Charles Burgess (6) Ball, M.D., graduated in medicine at the University of Pennsylvania in 1812, and died at Leesburg, Virginia, in 1833. He married Lucy Throckmorton Potter, of Natchez, Miss., by whom he had five children, Frances Washington, Ebenezer, Isabella Graham, Fayette Washington, and Charles Burgess.

Hon. Charles Burgess Ball (7), born 1822, married Miss Emma Reade, daughter of Rev. Charles Reade, of Richmond, Virginia, by whom he had five children, Fayette, Charles Reade, Augustine Washington, Lawrence Washington, and Lucian Washington. Mr. Ball was appointed in 1876 a member of the Advisory Board of the Ladies' Mount Vernon Association, of which Association Mrs. Ball was appointed Vice Regent to represent Virginia in 1874.

Hon. Charles Burgess Ball was a lawyer by profession, having graduated at the then famous law school of Judge Lomax in Fredericksburgh, Virginia. He was judge of the Loudon County Court for many years. At the beginning of the Civil War Judge Ball was opposed to secession, but when Virginia called her sons to arms none responded more readily than did Judge Ball, and none fought more bravely. He died in Richmond, Virginia, 1883.

These constitute what may be called the Principal Lines of Ball in Virginia, though there are of course collateral lines, many of which have furnished men who have been prominent in the affairs of their country, and have shown that indomitable will, unfaltering courage, and uprightness of life that has ever characterised those who have borne the name of Ball, or who have come of that lineage.

SOME OF THE VIRGINIA BALLS WHO HAVE  
BEEN PROMINENT IN THE  
AFFAIRS OF THEIR COUNTRY.

COLONEL BURGESS (5) BALL, Jeduthun (4), James (3), William (2), William (1), of "Travellers' Rest," Spotsylvania County, and of "Springwood," Loudon County, Virginia, born 1749, died 1800, married (1) Mary Chichester, (2) Frances Washington, daughter of Charles Washington and niece of General George Washington. He was a member of the Lancaster County Association, and was appointed by that body in 1755 one of the Committee of Twenty-five Guardians of that county. He was a zealous, liberal, and gallant officer of the Virginia Line during the Revolutionary War. In 1776 he raised, clothed, and equipped a regiment of infantry for the Continental Army at his own expense. He was commissioned Colonel of the First Virginia Regiment, Infantry, Continental Army, 1777, and was in active service 1775-1780. He was at one time on Washington's Staff. He received 4,500 acres of land for his Revolutionary services.

Captain Spencer Mottrom Ball, Spencer (4), Joseph (3), William (2), William (1), married Elizabeth Waring, of Essex County, Virginia, died 1786. He inherited the estate of "Coan" from his father. He was vestryman of St. Stephen's Parish in Northumberland County, and was one of the signers of the Westmoreland Address, protesting against the Stamp Act. He was a Burgess of Northumberland County, 1772-1773, resigning that year to become sheriff of that county.

Hon. William Lee Ball (6), James (5), James (4), James (3), William (2), William (1), born in Lancaster County, at "Bewdley," in 1791, died in Washington, D.C., 1824, and is buried in the Congressional

graveyard at Washington. He was a communicant of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and was lay delegate from Wicomoco Church to the Diocesan Convention of Virginia, 1813. He was a member of Congress from Virginia 1817-1824, and served as Paymaster in the War of 1812, and was attached to the 92nd Regiment, Virginia Militia.

His sister, Frances Ravenscroft Ball, married Captain William Downman McCarty, who was Ensign on the Constitution when she captured the Guerriere in the War of 1812, and for his bravery in that action the United States Government presented him with a handsomely engraved sword, and the State of Virginia also presented him with one.

William (5) Ball, William (4), William (3), William (2), William (1), of "Millenbeck," married Lettice Lee, daughter of Colonel Henry Lee, of Lee Hall, in Westmoreland County. William Ball signed the Westmoreland Address, was Burgess of Lancaster County, 1757-1758, and Delegate in 1780.

Colonel James Ball (4), called the "Young Colonel," James (3), William (2), William (1), married Lettice Lee, of "Ditchley," daughter of Richard Lee. He was elected Church Warden of White Chapel Church in 1745, and was Burgess of Lancaster County 1755, resigning that year to become sheriff of the county. For many years he was delegate, and in 1788 he was a member of the Virginia Convention. He served as lieutenant in the 6th Virginia Regiment, Revolutionary War. His name appears on a list in the War Department of officers and soldiers of the Virginia Line on Continental Establishment.

James (5) Ball, of "Bewdley," born 1756, died 1825, married Frances Ravenscroft Downman. Served as a private in Captain William Vause's Company, 12th Virginia Regiment, commanded by Colonel James Wood, Revolutionary War. He enlisted for three



years, and in 1779 he was transferred to Captain Robert Gamble's Company 8th Va. Regiment.

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Arms. Argent, a lion passant sable, on a chief of the second, three mullets of the first. Crest, out of the Clouds, ppr. a demi-lion rampant, sable, powdered with étoiles argent, holding a globe, or.

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NOTES ON MRS. MARY (BALL) WASHINGTON, MOTHER OF  
 GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON.

From a Monograph on the Maternal Ancestry of George Washington, privately printed in 1885 by Capt. G. Washington Ball, of which the author kindly sent the writer of the present work a copy, the following remarks are extracted, with many thanks. Colonel Joseph Ball, the grandfather of Washington, was twice married—first to a Miss Rogers, and secondly to a widow Johnson, an English lady, whose maiden name is believed to have been Montague. In a letter dated Sept. 11, 1789, written by Col. James Ball, of "Bewdley," in direct reply to certain genealogical inquiries, a letter which is printed in full in Hayden's "Virginia Pedigrees," he says, "The death of old Mrs. Washington we had heard of before the receipt of yours. I have, according to your request, made inquiry, but have gained very little satisfaction. Upon examining her father, Joseph Ball's will, I find her mother's name was Mary, and that she had a daughter whom he calls Elizabeth Johnson. I have heard she was a widow, when J. Ball married her." Capt. G. W. Ball adds that he is confirmed in his opinion that Mrs. Ball als Johnson was a Montague, and descended from the family who held the extinct Earldom of Salisbury. Mary Ball, the "Rose of Epping Forest" and reigning "Belle of the Northern Neck," as she was universally styled, was twenty-six years old when, on March 6, 1730, she md. Augustine Washington, a man of noble character, large estate, of fair complexion, tall stature and

commanding presence. After thirteen years, he died at the age of forty-nine, leaving her a widow with five young children. The only memoir of her by a contemporary is from the pen of George Washington Parke Custis. His biography of her opens with these words: "Of that distinguished woman, whose peculiar cast of character—whose precepts and discipline in the education of her illustrious son, he himself acknowledged to have been the foundation of his fortune and his fame, I scarcely know how to speak." "The peculiar plainness, yet dignity of her habits and manners became nowise altered when the sun of glory rose upon her house in the person of her son."

The late Lawrence Washington, of Chotauk, the playmate and school-fellow of General G. Washington, writes thus: "Even now I could not behold that remarkable woman without feelings impossible to describe. Whoever has seen that awe-inspiring manner and air so characteristic of the Father of his Country, will remember the matron as she appeared, when the presiding genius of her well-ordered household, commanding and being obeyed."

The great La Fayette observed that "she belonged rather to the age of Sparta or Rome, than to modern times." A sagacious observer, Elkanah Watson, notes in his Diary, soon after the Revolution, at Fredericksburgh, "At this place the mother of *our* Washington resides, and she was pointed out to me. She is a majestic and venerable woman."

On their return march from the capture of Cornwallis, says Capt. G. W. Ball, a brilliant galaxy of French and Continental officers stayed for a few days to enjoy the far-famed hospitalities of Fredericksburgh. A splendid ball was given, to which Mrs. Washington, then in her eightieth year, was specially invited. To gratify her son and do honour to the great occasion, she accepted and entered the Hall, leaning upon his arm. All eyes were turned upon them—those of the old inhabitants with affectionate and familiar reverence, those of the Foreigners with amazement and incredulity, as she appeared clad in an unadorned robe of some home-made stuff, spotless, but severely plain. "Mon Dieu," was the comment, "if such be the matrons of America, no wonder that she has illustrious sons!"

One year later La Fayette went to pay his parting respects to her before returning to France. He found her in her garden, clad in homespun, with a straw hat, engaged in working her flowers with her own hands. On bidding her farewell, he asked and received her blessing. A lady who remembered her, spoke of her visits in a little phaeton clad "in a yellow-short-gown." "Wartimes," the lady added, "when the very best people dressed poorly."

She died early in September, 1789. The President, General Washington, who was away at the Seat of Government then,

first heard of it from Colonel Burgess Ball, his kinsman, and wrote to Mrs. Betty Lewis as follows:—

“New York, Sept. 13, 1789.

“My Dear Sister: Colonel Ball’s letter gave me the first account of my mother’s death. Since that I have received Mrs. Carter’s letter written at your request. Awful and affecting as the death of a parent is, there is consolation in knowing that Heaven has spared ours to an age beyond which few attain, and favoured her with the full enjoyment of her mental faculties and as much bodily strength as usually falls to the lot of four score. . . . When I was last at Fredericksburgh I took a final leave of her, never expecting to see her more, &c., &c.

“Your affectionate brother,

“GEORGE WASHINGTON.”



## APPENDIX.

### No. 1.

#### FUNERAL ENTRIES and CERTIFICATES of BALL, &c., in the ULSTER OFFICE, DUBLIN.

Vol. 2, page 1. "Walter Ball of Dublin, Alderman  
and Maior was bur. in S<sup>t</sup> Audoes  
Church the X<sup>th</sup> of December 1598.  
he had to wife Eleonor d<sup>r</sup> of Rob<sup>te</sup>  
Ussher of Santriffe by whome he left  
issue Rob<sup>te</sup>, Edward, George and  
John; Rose and Katherin."

Arms of CHALLONER and BALL impaled.

"Rose, daughter of Walter Ball of Dublin Alderman  
and Maior, and wife to Luke Challoner doctoure of  
Divinity by whom shee had issue divers children,  
(all' deade younge, one daughter excepted named  
Phoebe) deceased of y<sup>e</sup> plague the five and twentieth  
of October an<sup>o</sup> 1604 and is bur', in Trinitie Colledge  
by Dublin with moste of her issue."

BALL and LUTTRELL impaled Arms.

Page 20. "Nicolas Ball of Dublin, Alderman deceased  
the XXVI<sup>th</sup> of februarie 1609. his wife and issue  
are entred in the visitac'on booke of Dublin begonne  
in an<sup>o</sup> 1607."

Page 39. "Luke Challoner D. of Divinitie dec. 27 of Aprill 1613.  
he was the first mover and the earnest solicitour for  
the buildinge and foundinge of Trinitie Colledg by Dublin,  
where he lieth buried with this Epitaph.  
Conditur hoc tumulo Challoneri triste cadaver,  
Cuius ope et precibus conditur ista domus.

His first wife was Rose d<sup>r</sup> of Walter Ball of Dublin Alderman Maior,  
by whom he had divers children that died before him except Phoebe  
his d<sup>r</sup> now livinge. His second wife (now widow) was Elizabeth d<sup>r</sup> of  
Christofer Percevall by whom he had noe issue."

ii.

A chevron betw 3 batons. 1 & 4 Ussher of Dublin. Arms. Mitre.  
 3 lion's paws. 2 & 3 Uschere of Yorks. quarterings.  
 Henry Uscher Lo: Archb: of Armagh and Lo: Primate of Ireland.  
 dec. at Termon-feaghan the seconde of Aprill 1613, being good-friday,  
 and is buried at St. (. . St. Peter's) Maries in Drogheda. He had to  
 his first wife Marg<sup>t</sup> seven sounes and daughters, Marke, Luke, Thomis,  
 John, Mathew, Richard, Robert; Jane wife to Robart Ball Alderman  
 and twic Maior of Dublin, and Rose wife to Capt. Edward Trevor, his  
 second wife is Mary Smith who bore him 3 daughters."

Arms—ELIOT and USHER.

Page 41. "Elenor Uscher dec. the 5 of December 1613.  
 She was wife first to Walter Ball of  
 Dublin Alderman Mair of Dublin, secondly  
 to Dr Robte Conway, one of ye masters of ye Chancery  
 and thirdly to S<sup>r</sup> Jo: Eliot K<sup>t</sup>."

Arms—USHER—BALL.

Page 50. Richard Ussher of Cromlin dec. the of Auguste 1625."

BROWN—BALL.

Page 59. "John Brown of Heleston dec. ye 3<sup>de</sup> of November 1626.  
 He had to wife Katerin d<sup>r</sup> of Nicholas Ball of Dublin,  
 Ald: Mayor."

Page 61. "Sir John Eliot K<sup>t</sup> 3<sup>de</sup> Baron of ye Excheq: dec. with of  
 January 1616—his thirde wife Eleonor d<sup>r</sup> of Robte Ussher  
 of Sauntrie (widow of Walter Ball of Dublin Ald: Maior)."

BALL-FINGLAS.

Page 77. "(Jane) daughter of finglas and wife of  
 Bartholomew Ball of deceased the of . ."

BALL-USHER.

Page 93. "Jane daughter of Henry Ussher sometime Lord Primate  
 of all Ireland and wife of Robert Ball Alderman, Mayor  
 of Dublin, deceased on Munday the 5 June 1620.

SEDGRAVE-BALL.

Page iii. "Elenor d<sup>r</sup> of Bartholomew Ball, sometime Alderman  
 Mayor of Dublin, deceased the 25 day of Novemb<sup>r</sup> 1621.  
 She was married to Walter Sedgrave of Dublin, Alderman,  
 Ma: by whom she had issue John, Christopher, James,  
 Mary, Ales and Mary."

SEGRAVE-BALL.

"Walter Sedgrave, sometime Alderman, Mayor of Dublin, deceased the  
 10 of December, 1621. he had to wive Elenor d<sup>r</sup> of Bartholomew Ball  
 Alderman and Mayor of Dublin, by whom he had issue."

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MAY and BALL.

"Mr May departed this life the 12<sup>th</sup> day of November 1663, and was buried the 13<sup>th</sup> day of the same moneth St Audoens Church Dublin 1663."

BALL and GOUGH.

"[Ann] the daughter of Gough departed this mortall life the 25<sup>th</sup> of February, and was buried the 27<sup>th</sup> of the same month in St Owen's Church Dublin 1682." [2<sup>nd</sup> wife of Bartholomew Ball jun<sup>r</sup>.]

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"Edward Ball Alderman of Dublin and sometime maior, deceased the first of December 1625. he had to wife Ales d<sup>r</sup> of Nicholas Weston of Dublin Alderman and sometime maior. he had issue onely Anne."

"Patrick Sedgrave of Killelgan in the County of Meath Esq, deceased the last of September 1633. he had to his second wife Katherin daughter of Walter Ball, some tyme Maior of Dublin by whome he had issue Henry, James, Christopher, Barth<sup>w</sup>, Alsone, Eleanor, and Anna."

Arms—BALL—USSHER.—BALL—BARRY.

"Robert Ball Alderman and sometime Maior of Dublin departed this mortall life the 25<sup>th</sup> of January and was buried in St Audeon's Church the 27<sup>th</sup> January, 1635, Hee had to his first wife Jane daughter of the Most Reverend father in God Henry Vsher sometime Lord Archbishop of Ardmagh and Lord Primat of all Ireland by whome hee had issue, three sonnes and fower daughters vidz; William Ball eldest sonne, George Ball second sonne Richard Ball third sonne, Mary married to James Kerdiffe of Kilamanagh in the County of Dublin gent; Margaret married to Henry Bennett of Dublin Marchant, Margerie Ball and Ellen Ball. The aforesaid Robert Ball had to his second wife, Margaret daughter of Richard Barry Alderman of Dublin and widdow of Nicholas Kerdiffe sometime Serjeant at Lawe Esq<sup>r</sup>, by whom Robert Ball aforesaid had issue Elizabeth Ball. The trueth of the premisses is testified by the Subscription of George Ball second son as above——"

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"Katherine daughter of Michael Browne sometime Sheriff of Dublin. Shee was married to John Ball the 4<sup>th</sup> sonne of Bar: Ball of Dub. gent. by whome shee had issue one only sonne named Michael Ball. Shee departed this Mortall Life the 4<sup>th</sup> of Aprill 1640 & was buried in St Audeons the 7<sup>th</sup> of Aprill following."

Page 281. "Elenor Bisse m<sup>d</sup> to William Ball of Ballygalle in the County of Dublin Esq."

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“W<sup>m</sup> Ball Esquire Counsellor att Law and late Cap<sup>n</sup> of a foot company under the Comand under the right hon<sup>ble</sup> Lord Baron of Castle Stewart &c. The said Cap<sup>n</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Ball had to wife Elenor the daughter of Christopher Biss Esq seconde remembrancer by whome he had issue five children two of which dyed younge, before the death of the said Elenor (she dyed before her husband) and three now living vizt—Charles Ball the eldest sonne, Christopher the youngest & one daughter named Elizabeth; The above sayd W<sup>m</sup> Ball Esq deceased att his house in Dublin, att one a clocke in morning the 10th day of October and was interred att St. Audoen’s the 12 day of the same. The truth of which are certified by John Ball gentleman Uncle of the deceased the 13th Day of the said October 1649. JOHN BALL.”

“Jane daughter of Nicholas Ball sometyme Maior of Dublin, tooke to her first husband Rob<sup>t</sup> Cusack merchant of Dublin aforesaid by whome she had issue. She was secondly married to Richard Usher of Crumlin in the County of Dublin, aforesaid, gent, by whome she had issue; one son & three daughters vizt; John eldest son & heire as yett unmarried. Rose eldest daughter married to Thomas Challoner of Dublin marchant, Elenor 2nd daughter married Lindick Notingham of Balliowen in the County of Dublin Esq, Mary 3rd daughter as yet unmarried. The said first mentioned Jane departed this mortall life at Dublin aforesaid the 26 of July 1641 & is to be interred in the Parish Church of—in Dublin aforesaid. The truth of the premisses is testified by the subscription of the said eldest son & heire of the defunct whoe hath returned this certificat into my Office 27 Feb 1641.”

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Dr. of John Lutrell of Dublin mcht, & wife of W<sup>m</sup> Roles d. 10 of tber 1625 & had issue Henry, Nicholas, John, Thomas, Jane & Mary [also Sibilla].

## Arms of ROLES—and LUTRELL.

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NOTE.—“In 1608 Sir Henry Harrington of Grange conveyed to Nicholas Ball of Dublin, Alderman, the Church and Rectory of Portrane with all tithes, &c. thereto appertaining, to hold to him and his heirs for ever.”

Patent Rolls of Car i. 13 to 24 dorso.

A deede made betweene Thomas Ball of the Cittie of Dublin gentleman of the one parte, and Ralph Wallis of the same, gentleman, of the Church or parsonadge of portraven alias Portrarn alias Portrahen in the Countie of Dublin w<sup>th</sup> all the appurten’ces. Dated 15th of May 1649.”



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Extracts from "Visitation of the City of Dublin" by DANIEL MOLYNEUX,  
Ulster King at Arms.

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The Ball Coat of Arms appears here in the original document.

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"Walter Ball the eldest sonne of Barth<sup>w</sup>  
Ball, gent, sometyme Maior of Dublin the  
sone of Thomas Ball of Stevinstown in  
the Co. of Dublin & of Margaret Bermingham  
the daur of Nicholas Bermingham in  
the Co<sup>r</sup> of Meath gent. The said Walter m<sup>d</sup>  
Elenor Usher the d<sup>r</sup> of Robert Usher  
Alderman of the Citty of Dublin. The said  
Walter berith his armes as his Father, by  
Patent as appeareth."

"BARTHOLON BALL was borne at Stevensto' in the hundredth of  
Balrothrie and came to Dublin at the age of seven .||. yeeres and was  
Mayor of the same cittie in an<sup>o</sup> 1554 . he had to wife Marg' d<sup>r</sup> of . . .  
Bermingham of the Corballies by whom he had issue Walter of whome  
in another place, Nicholas of whom anon, Thomas mar to Jane-d<sup>r</sup> of  
Michael Penteney of Dublin Alderman . dead without issue, Katherine  
wife to Thomas Shelton of Dublin merchant, Eleonor wife to Walter  
Segrave Alderman & Mayor of Dublin, and fiftene children more,  
of whom there remaineth noe issue .||- Nicholas Ball, second sonne  
was Mayor of Dublin in an<sup>o</sup> Dm<sup>i</sup> 1583 and hath to wife Begnet da<sup>r</sup> of  
Lutterell by whome he hath issue, Bartholomeus and .||. another sonne  
w<sup>ch</sup> second deceased in his infancie, Jane wife to Richard Ussher of  
Santrie or Cromlin, Elizabeth to W<sup>m</sup> Dongan receaver of the first  
fruites now a widow, Agnes to Capt Edward Trevour, Margaret to  
Robte eldest sonne to Richard Ussher before nam<sup>d</sup> and Katerin to John  
second sonne to Paterick Broune Alderman of Dublin . Bartholomew  
Ball eldest sonne of Nicholas hath to wife Jane daughter of John  
Finglas of Tobbersoule by . . . whome he hath issue."

"Walter Segrave was Mayor of Dublin in an<sup>o</sup> MDLXXXVIII and hath to  
wife Elenor d<sup>r</sup> of Bartholomeus Ball of Dublin Ald: Mayor on whom he  
begate John James and 3 daughters."

"Taylour of Swerdes had to wife Amy d<sup>r</sup> of Segrave. 2 sons Rich<sup>d</sup>, &  
Robert = Joan Edgeworth, Francis 2<sup>nd</sup> son to Robert, was Mayor of  
Dub. 1594 m<sup>d</sup> Gennet d<sup>r</sup> of Thos Shelton by whom Mary wife to Matthew  
Field of the house of Culduffe—merch<sup>t</sup> of Dublin."

"Walter Ball who was Mayor of Dublin in an<sup>o</sup> 1580 and had to wife Eleonor daughter of Rob<sup>t</sup> Usher of Santrie by whom he had issue, Robart, Edward, merch<sup>t</sup> of Dublin & unmarried now MDCVII. George a student in the new college by Dublin, John and two other sonnes dead in their infancie, Rose wife to Luke Challoner, doctour of Divinitie, Katherine to Patericke Segrave of Killeglan."

"Robert Ball eldest sonn to Walter, was Mayor of Dublin MDCV and hath to wife Jane d<sup>r</sup> of Henry Ussher Archbyshop of Armagh & Primate of all Ireland by whome he hath issue Walter III<sup>y</sup> yeeres, William borne MDCVI Mary v yeeres now MDCVII."

## No. 3.

## CHANCERY INQUISITIONS OF BALL.

22<sup>nd</sup> year of James i.

City of Dublin . Theolon'. 2<sup>nd</sup> Aprill, 1624.

"Nic' Ball nup' de Dub' Alderman' seis fuit de un' magn' domo' sup<sup>r</sup> le Woodkea in Bridg Str. un' dom', in Cornmarkett, un' dom' in High Str' un' portico & curtilage' & in vico Sci Patric' un' molendin' aquatic'—P'd' Nic' feoffavit de p'miss [ ] Sedgrave Joh' ( ) & Rob' Ball, ad us' dict' Nic' & cujus quidem feoffament' tenor sequit' in orig. Barth' Ball est fil' & her' dict' Nic' etat ( ) et maritat'—"

Theolon 11 Aprill 1663. Mayor—

"Rob: Ball de Dublin Alderman seis' fuit de monaster' vocat "the Whete Fryers of Dublin" contin 1 magn' dom' mancional' 2 gardin, 4 mes' & 10 acr' ter' & de 2 mes' & 2 gardin in Sheepestreite—Ide' Rob' & Jana Usher nup' ux' ejus p' fact' indentat' dat' 29 Nov' 1616 inter p'd' Rob' & Jan' ex una parte & Francis, baron de Longford, Rad' Leventhorp de Dublin & Thos FitzGerald de eade, ex alter' parte, concessa' p'miss' p'fat' baron' heredit' & assign's' ad ejus & eoru' us'; virtute cujus p'd' baro fuit de p'miss seis' pro ut lex postulat. P'fat Rob: Ball & Jan', uxor ejus, an' regni' Jac' nup Regis 15, levaver fin' de p'miss p'fat Rad. Leventhorp & Thos FitzGerald, et heredit p'fat Rad' virtute cujus' fuer' de p'miss' p'd' seis, de feod'.—p'fat baro de Longford & Rad' Leventhorp p' indentur' dat 21 Nov<sup>r</sup> 1628 concesser' p' imp Wil' Parsons & Edw. Bolton Executor & assign's' durant' termin 99 annor', ad us' p'fat baron & d'ne Margaret ux' ejus durant' vitis s' & post obitum &c ad us' heredit mascul p'fat baron & p'defect tal' exit' ad us' p'fat baron et heredit's; virtute cujus p'd' Wil Parsons & Edw: Bolton fuer' de p'miss p'd' us' possessionet'—p'fat nup baro de Longford condidit ult' voluntat' suaz dat 28 Nov 1628, cujus tenor sequit' in orig: "

## No. 4.

Dublin Inquisition No. 245, 246, in Chief Remembrancer's office,  
taken on the death of WALTER BALL.

"Inquisitio indentata capta apud Theolom' civitatis Dublini intra  
comi' civitatis Dublin sup' mortem Walteri Ball nuper de eadem  
alderman defunct' coram Nichola Barry maiore et p'dictae esia<sup>o</sup>tor'  
et feoda dom<sup>o</sup> intra totum &c 11 May 43<sup>o</sup> Eliz :—

Georgij Plunkett	Johanis Smythe	Jacobus Bee
Thome Deijssse	George Devenysh	Johan Kellie
Tadei O'Byrne	Wm. Morrye	Peter Walshe
Johanis Warde	Gabriel Douling	Christopher Pentenle

Qui jurati dicunt sup : sacramentu : suu : quod p'd' Walterus Ball, die  
quo obiit, seisisus fuit in do'ico suo ut de feodi de tribus castris, de una  
aula unacu' scitu, sept : ambit, et princt, nup : priorat monasterii sive  
domus fratrum Carmelitorum, de Dublin p'd' in subburbiis et comit'  
cit<sup>s</sup> Dublin p'd' quae valet p. annu : ultra reprisas decem solidi monete  
Hibernie ; dicunt etiam juratores p'di' sup : sacram : suu : quod, p'ds  
W<sup>s</sup> die quo obiit, seisisus fuit in do'ico suo ut de feodi de octo messuagii,  
in le Sheepe Street et St Stephen's Street in Com : Cit<sup>s</sup> p'di' que valent  
p'ann ultra reprisas, octo solidi monet : Hibernie ac de quatuor gardiniis  
in eisdem stratis in Com : Cit<sup>s</sup> p'd' que valent p : ann' ultra reprisas,  
d'os solidos monet ; p'di ac de duobus hortiis juxta domum fratrū'  
Carmelitoru' p'd', in Com : Cit<sup>s</sup> p'd' que valent p : ann' ultra reprisas,  
duos solidos monet p'd ac de duobus parcis pastur : continent p ;  
estimacone quatuor acres jacent' juxta magna' domu' fratrū' Carmelitoru'  
p'd' in Com : Cit<sup>s</sup> pdict que valent p : annu' ultra rep : quatuor solidos'  
monet. p'd' que o'nia tenentur de dict' dona Regina p : servitium militare,  
viz : p : vicessima' p'tem unius feodi' militis quando scutagiu' currit in  
Regno sibi' et reddendo dicte done Regine heredibus et successoribus  
suis duos solidos et sex dinarios monet' Hibernie p : annu' et quod om'ia  
p'missa quidam Georgius Beverlii tenet p : termino' triu' annoru' adhuc  
duratoru,' reddendo unu' granu' piperis p : annu' tantum et ulteiis  
juratores p'd' dicunt sup : sacram : suu' quod p'd' W<sup>s</sup> Ball die quo obiit  
seis' fuit in do'ico suo ut feodi de duobus mes' et decima taberna ppe le  
coucold post in vico vocat' in le new street intra com : cit<sup>s</sup> d'q pue  
valent p' annu' ultra repris' duos sol : mon : Hib : ac de uno magno  
gardino in vico vocat' St Kevin's Street intra Com : Cit<sup>s</sup> p'd' et quod p'd' duo  
mes' et taberna in le Cooke Street mes et gardinum in le New Street  
et unaquum gard' in St Keven's Street tenentur de maiore, vice  
comitibus, civibus et comunitatibus Cit<sup>s</sup> Dublin p : servitium Burgagii  
et Longabule. Dicunt etiam juratores p'd' sup : sacr : suu : quod pd  
W<sup>s</sup> die suu' clausit extremu' nono die Decembris ano Domin' 1598 et

quod Robertus Ball est eins filius et heres et Natis viginti quinqu' annoru', tempore mortis patris sui et maritatus, in cujus rei testimonium tam pd et secutor qu<sup>a</sup>: juratores per sigilla &c."

"Inquisitio indentata apud Castru' Dublin decio octavo die maij anno illustriss' Princess' et Duc' Elizabeth, Dei Gratia, Anglie Francie et Hibernie Regine, Defr Fidei 43<sup>o</sup> (12 names here follow) qui jurati dic quod Walterus Ball, alderman seitus fuit in do'ico suo ut de feodi de un' dom' mancional' q'nuper dom' mancional' fratr' carmelitor' &c &c."

The rest is to the same effect as the preceding Inquisition.

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No. 5.

County Louth: Inquisition 24, taken on the Monastery of  
St. John the Baptist Drogheda, and other property  
of WALTER BALL, Alderman, of Dublin, 1598.

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Inquis' capt' apud vill' de Drogheda in comi vill' de Drogheda sup:  
mortem Walterie Ball de civitate Dub: Alderman 27 februarie 1599 cor'  
Thomas fleming maior de Drogheda et (11 other names follow here)  
qui jurati sup: sac' suum dic' quod Edwardus nup' Rex Anglie franci'  
et hibernie fuit se'it' ut de feod' in regn' sic' Hibn de dom' scit' ambit'  
hospit' s'cti Joh'is Baptista juxta vill' de Drogheda vulg' voc' the  
hospitall of St John's by Drogheda, ac de un' garden' et un' clausur'  
cont' un' acr' et dimid' de quatuor clausis pastur' voc' pke cont' 13 acr'  
terr' juxt' aqua' de Boyn, duob' clausis voc' horse pkes et continent'  
dimid' stagn' un' cla' continent' dimid' acr'.

de duobus acr' terr' arr' juxt' terr' Nichi Palm<sup>r</sup> in le Sowth  
fold p'diet'.

et un' acr' terr' arr' juxt'

terr' arr' un' rodo' prat'

un' cla' contin' tres' acr' pastur'

27 acr' terr'

arr' in le

13 acr' terr' arr'

arr' et sex acr' pastur' in le sowth fold,

4 acr' terr' arr' in eod'

camp' un' shope duobus in

le bowstreet, un' sellar' sub eccl'ia Scti Nichi, un' mess juxt' p'tam

de , quatuor acr' terr' arr' juxt' Katherina Kath

Cross, duob' acr' terr' clm vocat'

duob' acr' terr' vocat' cometh hill pk, quinque acr' terr' juxt' aq'am de

Boyn, un' cla' cont' un' acr' voc' St John's hill, un' cla' voc' Maken pk'

cont' un' acr'

in vill' de Drogheda in com' p'dict' de duob' acr' terr' juxt'

Regia' via' ducent' ad Dublin' un mess' cu' un' gardin' in le New street, un' cl' juxt' port le Westgate duo' cottag' et' duob' gardin' in le fayer street, tribus mess' et tribus gardin in le Westreet, un shope juxt' le fish shamols, 3 mess' cu' 3 gardin' in S<sup>t</sup> John's street, in vill p'dict', un' molend' aqua' juxt' port' vocat' Sti Joh'is gate, vill' p'dict' et un' pr' hort' cu' p'tin' in vill' de Drogheda p'dict et franch' in com' p'dict de terr' voc' S<sup>t</sup> Leonard' 3 acr' prat' cu' p'tin' in Curragh in com' p'd' de vigint' acr' terr' arr' in vill' de Grostie in com p'dict' et sic exist' sei'tus p'Iras patent' dedit' tent' p'dict cuid' Jacobo Sedgrave hered' et assign' suis imp'petuu' ut p' easd' l'ras patent' dat' 1<sup>o</sup> Decemb' an' dict' D'ni Regis 6<sup>o</sup> q'd tent' p'dict' fuer' concess' Richo' Ar——mil. capital' Justic' &c et quod al' p'ann £7. 18, 0 q'd Walterus Ball de Dublin' alderman habuit stat' dict' Jacobi Sedgrave et quod die quo dict' Walterus Ball obiit, id' Walterus fuit sei't ut de feod' de o'ibus terr' ten' decim' et hereditament', virtute qu' o'ia d'dict' terr' tent' &c, descendebant Robert' Ball fil' et hered' dict' Walteri Ball et tenuit' terr, et ten' p'dict' de Maior' vic' burgess' et comit' vill' de Drogheda p's vic, burgag'

reddend' eisd' maior' &c p'dict' 14<sup>s</sup> annuat'. q'd proctor' ecclie b'te Marie Virgin' de Drogheda infra an' et diem ante obit dict' Walter clamaver' o'ia mess' et ten' p'tin canter Sci Laurentii in ecclie bte Marie p'd', viz. duas acr' terr' juxt' regiam via' ducent' a vill de Drogheda

ad Dublin', un' mess cu gard' in le Westreet un' clausur' cont' un, acr' et un' stagn' terr' juxt' port' vocat' le Westgate de Drogheda, 2 cottag' et 2 gardin' in le fayer street de Drogheda. un shopa juxt' le fish shamolls vill p'dict' un mess' cu' tribus gardin' in vice Sti Johis in villa p'dict' un' molend' aqua' juxt' port' vocat' Sti Johis gate vill' p'dict' et un' pr' hort cu' p'tin' in vill' de Drogheda et franchs p'dict' quod quid' Hugo Lethell et Katherine Talbot ux' ejus habuer' un' mess' ad term' annor' a dict' Waltero Ball, quod mess' non fuit recte' bondat' quia in indentur' term' p'dict' fuit menca' fact' qd mess' p'dict' bondat' fuit in pte aquilon' ad dict' terr' Waltere ubi terr' in ead' boriale pte p'tin' ad delamar' vel hered' delamar' quod dictus Walterus diem su' clausit extrem' 9' Decemb' 1598' et quod Robertus Ball p'dict' est ejus fil' et heres et fuit marit' Jennete Ussher et quod id' Robertus fuit etatis 26' an' temp'e mortis patris sui.

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Copy of Dublin Exchequer Feoffement in the Irish P.R.O.

"I John Bathe of Drumconraghe Esq. Co Dublin for £251 . 5<sup>s</sup> . 0 paid to me per Walter Ball of Dublin, merchant, have sold &c to s<sup>d</sup> Walter Ball all messuages, mills, lands, meadows, ten'ts in the precincts & circuit late of the House or Hospital of S<sup>t</sup> John Baptist in or near the town of Drogheda.

Also all those at Priorstown, Killorby, Louthe, also West Curroghe & Crellagh in Co Dublin to hold to him & his heirs, and have appointed John Brice & Phillip Conran of Dublin mercht my true & lawful attorneys 1574, 2 February. Endorsed. John Bathe sealed & delyvered this as his deede unto the w<sup>thin</sup> named Walter Ball, feoffee, John Bryce & Philippe Conran attorneys w<sup>thin</sup> mentioned according to the purporte and effecte of the deede w<sup>thin</sup> mentioned. W<sup>m</sup> Bathe, Recorder of Drogheda, Robert Bathe, Patrick More, Scriptor, P. Caddell, P. Caddell, G. Caddell, here ensueth the names of such p<sup>'</sup>sons as were present when the w<sup>thin</sup> named John Brice & Philippe Conran, Attorneys with<sup>in</sup> mentyoned entered within the lands and tenements of Louthe with specified & did therein delyver lyvery & seis on to the w<sup>thin</sup> named Walter Ball in the name of all the lands tent<sup>s</sup> & heredit<sup>s</sup> in the Countie of Louthe with<sup>in</sup> mentioned according to the purporte & effecte of the w<sup>thin</sup> written deede by me Patrick Gernon, by me Rich<sup>d</sup> Garnon, by me Nicholas Garnon, by me Thomas—

A previous deed of James Sedgre sells to James Bathe of Dronagh and Bartholomew Ball of Dublin, mcht, the late monastery of St John's &c and all mess' lands &c called St Leonard's landes w<sup>thin</sup> the town of Drogheda & infranches of it in the Countie of Uriell except 20 acre lying by Shallom, called Crombe, in manner as I bought from King Ed. VI; now sells, bound in £300, 10<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 6 Edw<sup>d</sup> VI (1552).

No. 6.

The WILL of Alderman WALTER BALL, Mayor of Dublin in 1580.

Proved in the Dublin Dio: Court, 1598.

I Walter Ball of Dublin Alderman being in my p<sup>'</sup>fecte memory and senses this 8 day of December 1598 in the one and forty year of o<sup>r</sup> soveryne lady queen Elisabeth committinge my body to the earth, therein without any superstitious charges to be interred & my soule which I faythfully beleve to be saved by the pretious death & blood-sheddinge of my dear Savior Jesus Christ without any worthinis or merite of mine owne I doe commend and committ to the holy hands of mine Eternall God to receve that Eternall Crowne of Glory which He hath promised to thos that die in His favour & fear, and soe I leave this as my last Will and Testament for the peasable and orderly disposall of those lands and goods which the Lord of His mercy hath bestowed upon me.

To my wife Ellenor Ball I leave the house in which she now dwelleth on the murchant Key withall such stuff therof as my father hath mentioned in his Will and also the third part of all the present household stuff plate and goods therein with the 3 part of my debts, also I leave

her the parke of the Inns and Nutte Parke & all the taking in Finglas which after is to reserve to the survivor, and Ballegall with all my cowes in any of them and also I appoint & comand my son Robert Ball to pay unto her yearly fifty pounds ster. currant money of England during hir life, and if the lease of the forsayd house be expired before hir death then I leave hir during hir life the house in Cok street & I doe leave her also the reversion of the house on the Wood Key, the which leases I wuld have com to my son Robert after hir death.

To my son Robert Ball I leave all the inheritances leases & lands except the before specified, namely S<sup>t</sup> John's of Drogheda worth pounds ster p. ann, then a house by the Cowcol's post 8<sup>l</sup> p. ann also mine inheritances of the White friars, further my lands in Westmeath houlden by James Nugent 25<sup>l</sup> p', a'. also Knightstown & Johnstowne worth 6<sup>l</sup> p' ann also my land in Westmeath bought of Arlondon Usher worth 20<sup>l</sup> further my leases bought of Walter House in Baltre & Maynes worth 40<sup>l</sup> p ann also the house beyond the water Cassanden 20<sup>l</sup> st. p. ann also the house & gardens in New Streat & S<sup>t</sup> Keven's Streat & the mortgages that are on any of them & also I leave him tow parts of all my goods, and those former lands & leases I leave to my son Robert Ball and to the heyres of his body lafully begotten & in defalt of such dept's heares males to my son Ned Ball & his heyres males lafully begotten, in defalt of such to George Ball and the heyres males lafully begott, in defalt of such to John Ball and his heyres males lafully begotten & in defalt of such heyres males of my generall sons with my daughter Risse Ball and her heyres males after with Kate Ball & her heyres males & in defalt of such heyres males of any of my children to the heyres femalls lafully begotten and after 40 markes to myntyne 4 scolers to the colledge.

To my son Ned Ball I leave 300<sup>l</sup> ster to be payed by my forsayd son Robert one hundred pouns of the goods in the shop to be chosen by two Indepenent men as they wear bought & to be possessed by him immediatele at my death. another 200<sup>l</sup> st to be payd him when he is 28 yeares oud and all the rest when he is 21 yeares oud.

To my son George Ball & also to John Ball I leve also to Each of them 300<sup>l</sup> ster to be payed by my forsayd son Robert Ball when they come to 21 yeares oud & in the mean time he shall alowe them 20 nobles ster. the yeare to keepe them to scole in the colledge till they be 18 year oud, at which time their frinds shall see whether they will be scolers or noe.

To my daughter Cate Ball & her husband M<sup>r</sup> Sedgrave I leve according to my bond in that behalf 250<sup>l</sup> ster deducting that which is alredy receved by him to be payd also by my son Robert Ball whom I make

my sole Executor heyre & administrator, & apoynt to enter in bonds of the staple to John Foster, Richard Usher and Lucas Challoner at their request for the pformance of this my will & Testament : or else not to have the benefite thereof. wishing my wife & said children to continue in that holy religion I have lived & died in or otherwise to be barred ech of them of soe much of the benefite thereof as the overseers Mr Foster and Mr Challoner shall see fitt under 10<sup>l</sup> ster a year.

To my daughter Reuchama 25<sup>l</sup> st, to my brother Jon Foster to make him a ring 50<sup>s</sup> st, to my brother Nicholas Ball to make him the like 50<sup>s</sup> st, to my brother Richard Usher for the like 50, to Mr Barry 30<sup>s</sup> st, to Patrick Walkins 20<sup>s</sup>, to Cate Asche 20<sup>s</sup>, clement Asche 10<sup>s</sup> Pat Bedlow 5<sup>s</sup> Richard Browne 10<sup>s</sup> my wife is to have her third part of her jewels without Devision.

And soe I leve this as my will & Testament. witness my hand & seale the day & year befoar written

Witnesses at the signing & sealing

thearof

by me WALTER BALL

those whose names in soe

Patt Sedgrave	.	John Foster
Richard Ussher	.	James Barry
John Shelton	.	Lucas Challoner

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No. 7.

The Prerogative WILL of Alderman NICHOLAS BALL, Mayor of Dublin 1583, M.P. for Dublin City 1585; proved 1610.

In the name of God Amen, this xx<sup>th</sup> day of May A<sup>o</sup> 1608 I Nicholas Ball of the cittie of Dublin Alderman do make ordaine and constetute this my last will & Testament Revoeking and hereby callinge backe whatsoever heretofor I have made soch will containing in the matter & waies followinge &c

I the affoesaid Nichas Ball; glory & prayse be given therefor to God everlastinglie, whole of body and pffett of memory do constitute ordaine & irrevocablie macke as is aboosaid this mylaste will and Testam<sup>t</sup> dedicating my soule to the Everlastinge mercie of our Etternall ffather & omnipotent God, Through in, and by the moste gloriouse merites death & passion of his onelie son our Saviour Christ Jessus, in and by whom I humblie pray my soules everlastinge Repose untill the Generall Resoreccion in w<sup>ch</sup> I do hope and mekely besech owre swete Savioure that bothe & soule & body, Aryse and Rest in him everlastinglie.

fforasmuch as in my liffe tyme I hav bene ocaosed ptelie of my owne ffrewill and ptelie by constreancte to hav tackene ctaine mortgadges by



wh: I had gained And leste that the gaine so tacken, may be offensive against my soules salvation in my everlastinge Redemer Christ Jessus, I do herebie give & apointe for ever, a poore howse now builded by me and throughlie finished w<sup>th</sup> the lofte over the same seated & beinge neere & over against my myll in St Paterick Street w<sup>ch</sup> is pcell of my inheritance for two or three poore people men or women decaied poore of this cittie, and do also will & hereby bequeath in the hond of god ever as a Legacie for there better mayntenens & Repairinge of the said howse Twentie shillings ster p. ann to be paid by my heires & executors at two paym<sup>ts</sup> by the yeeres for ever viz; viii<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup> st. at midsum<sup>r</sup> when ffuell is best chepe And remydner to be paid upon good Fridays for ever to buy and pvide them meate and drinke Easter, in honoring the Resorreccion of our Savioure Jessus Christe, And yf it shall happene at any tyme my heires & executors' to Receve & not to pay the same acordinglie that then the same be chardged upon such porte corn or other rent as shall or do aryse upon my said myll for ever And the miller for the tyme being to compell the paym<sup>t</sup> thereof made before m<sup>r</sup> maior of this cittie for the tyme being, and he to be alowed thereof & to defalcte the same upon his rent, as offe as enny deede do happen.

A next of all soch debts as to my remembrance I do iostlie owe to eny man at the day of the date hereof.

ffirst there is dew unto my son John Browne of such monyes pmessed him in marriadge w<sup>th</sup> my daughter Kate & for wares

I tacke I owe hym aboutt xl<sup>s</sup> ster of England pte of my wares in my trade concerning my busyness

Item I do owe my son Robert Ussher aboutt xx<sup>lb</sup> a little over or under the day of this date

Item I am cleere with all my creditors—

and my land from the beginning saying that one claymeth in the behalf of one Thomas Ball deceased v<sup>lb</sup> or thereabouts dew as they alledge above xxx yere w<sup>ch</sup> being proved lett it be paid.

I do tacke ther eis thre pounds or iiij st dew borrowed by my son Barth'ew of m<sup>r</sup> William Goph in London, & to whom it shold be paid I know not, but upon such demaund thereof Let order be for paym<sup>t</sup> thereof.

Item som other pety debts I do owe being of no great value w<sup>ch</sup> I do leav out and upon the bussieness of my exe'r iustlie to pay as the same shalbe iustlie sued or apers to be dew.

My son in law Captaine Edward Traver has had one hundred pounds str dew unto hym, pcell of such monyes as I oght him for p'ferm<sup>t</sup> of my daghter his wyff all w<sup>h</sup> I have paid fivethie shillings six penc at the day of said date hereof

NICHOLAS BALL.

Item the Exe'rs of m<sup>r</sup> Burnell Alderman deceased do clayme ctaينه leade to be dew unto them by noot of my hand.

I do hereby ctiffie the trouthe of that causse, viz ; m<sup>r</sup> Burnell then being mayo<sup>r</sup> of this cittie, I did breacke down a lead gutter befor. and I requested his licenc to leav the same lead in his backfyld untill the gutter was made reddy to putt it up in the same place againe but I cold not hav had my leade untill I must liav given that noot w<sup>ch</sup> is wrongfully kept from me Ever sithence by w<sup>ch</sup> they claym the said leads.

Item the debts due unto me by bond by Bill by boockes as well for Areradges as rent as agenst du apere by the bills thereof in my daske w<sup>ch</sup> is in my study and otherwyse sett down in my boocke where I hav claymed to my remembrance all that is dew unto me.

Item the estates of all my lands I hav purchased as also of suche mortgadges w<sup>ch</sup> I do at this present hold and also of such leasses as I have w<sup>th</sup> the yearly rents I do pay out of them do apere in one boocke in my study being my Rentaille boocke where also it aperethe what is dew unto me yerely & by whom the same is dew the Evidences of all which are all in my great chiste.

Item my plate, Lynnen, houshold stuff & other implem<sup>ts</sup> about my howse I do tacke to be worthe som thre or four hundredhe pownds all w<sup>ch</sup> I do will shall hold & Remayne w<sup>thout</sup> Divison to the use of my wiff & exer during her naturall lyff, whereof she to hav the comaund during her said lyff and after to be to the sole euse of my son Barth'ew & his heires w<sup>thout</sup> Divison or deminishinge excepting alwaies what I shall or do hereby leav legacies to my wyff & those my children or ffrends, to be by my exer to them delivered iustlie & trulie acording to this my will, & in defalct of issue by hym as god fforbid, to be f<sup>r</sup> those of my daghteres & there children by equall divison, as hereafter I do mean playnlie to lay downe.

Disposing yet further of my lands & goods  
ffirst by the grace of god I do hereby ordayne & do leav my son Barth'mw my onely heire of all suche lands as it hathe pleased the Almightye god to cast upon me, And do also hereby ordayne hym & my son Richard Ussher my sole & onely executors pvided my said son Ussher do tacke no further benefitt thereby eyther by hymself or enny other to clayme by hym, then the true trust of this my last will & Testam<sup>t</sup> and of every pte thereof, for whose paynes so to be taken, I do leav hym in full Recompenc thereof Twentie pownds ster monyes of England, humble Beseching the Almightye God to assist them bothe justlie & trulie in God's ffearc, the same to execute acording my trew & playne laieng downe & meaning herein, And also I do further will unto my said son Barth'ew all my leasses & also my will is if that my said son Barth'ew

shall hapen to dye w<sup>th</sup>out issue of his body lawfullie begotten male or female as god forbid (which now pray<sup>se</sup> be unto god he hav bestudd upon hym) Then that all my lands leasses & goods shall go be & Remyne to the Benefitt of my daghters & there heires and my meaning is my lands to goe unto there heires & the benefitt of my leasses & goods to be devided amongst there children; viz., the children of eech of my daghters to hav an Equall pte; and that also my daughter in Law Jane ffinglas shall not tacke further benefitt by this my will in enny right that she may clayme by her husband or by force of this my will, Then the joynctor of thirtie pownds str pmissd by me to her during her naturall lyff and one hundred pounds by way of legacie in full satisfac'on of whatsoever may groue unto her in her husbands right, the rest to be as forsaid and as I hav endorsed upon the margent thereof.

<p>{ I say to every one of them four hundred pounds str proceed'g oute of these pffrmts</p>	<p>} Itm I do will unto my son Robert Ussher &amp; my daughter Margaret his wiff &amp; there children the lease off Sillocha pareny as it cost me being fortie foure pounds English money, iff Barth'ew do not kepe it hymself and iff they lick off the same.</p>
<p>I did intt'lyne the words over the fourth lyne &amp; over the next lyne aforesaid Nicholas Ball</p>	<p>Nicholas Ball</p>

<p>My meaninge is iff it shall so happen that my son shold not hav y<sup>e</sup> heires male off his body lawfully begotten as god forbid, then in suche deffault my landes to goe unto the elder sonnes off my fiv sonnes in law equally to be devided reserv- ing upon my lands and goods to his daghters towards ther p'frmts, to every one of them foore hundred pounds ster, monyes of England. Nicholas Ball.</p>	<p>} Itm my will is that all suche debts dew by poor decaied creditors in- debted unto me who by the hand of God have bene broght to decay &amp; not otherwise shal be my trust putt over &amp; reposed in my exer and overseers by there godlie &amp; good discrec'ons clerelie forgiven what- soever they shall in that case thinck mete to be forgiyen, They knowing them to be decayed as aforsaid onely by the hand of god.</p>
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It'm I do leave to the hond of God and in him to the comfort of my soull everlastinglie to xxiiij poore people men and women xxiiij ffrise gownes xxiiij shirts & smockes to be deliv'd unto them at my Buriall yff monyes then in the house to buy the same yff not w<sup>th</sup> what spede my exer can pvide the same w<sup>th</sup> competent meat & drinck for that day, and that also in lick hono<sup>r</sup> to my god my son shall deliver unto his mother to be bestowed upon the pore in this cittie or otherwise as she shall

thinck mete & yff she shall hap to dye in that tyme as god in his m'cie forbid, then the same to continue by suche others & paid as by this my will shall be & are apoynted for receaving of my rents.

It'm my will is that my said exer shall immediat upon my decease or in sum reasonable tyme there after deliver unto ffather hollewood & Mr Thomas Alene Tenn pounds str to be disposed as they shall thinck mete in the honor of god everlastinglie eather to dispose the same emongest crist's faithfull priests or one moitie thereof here, the other moitie or two ptes of the whole x<sup>lb</sup> str where they thincke the same metest to be given—

It'm my will is that my ffaithfull and honest wyff shall hav trulie & iustlie satisfied & paid unto her for her better mayntenn'ns during her naturall lyff in full dischargd of her clayme of enny third pte of my yeasses & goods saving what hereafter shalbe legacied unto her the some of fortie pownds ster corant monyes in england by the hands of my exer hereby in this my will nomynated or by enny other lickwise by this my will left in trust upon there deceasses w<sup>ch</sup> said some of x<sup>lb</sup> is to be paid unto her termely by my said exer by her owne choyse out off and upon the best rents I have eather in this cittie or contre for her better contentm<sup>t</sup>. I do also leav unto her all her owne aparaile as well wollen as lynnens w<sup>th</sup> her jowells & the use off houshold lynnens during her naturall lyff. I doe also will & leav unto her the use of my now dwelling house during her naturall lyff so as she continue a widdowe & unmarried reserving alwaies unto my son Barthe'w suche por'ion thereof, viz., therrin to hav to his owne necessary euse as my son M<sup>r</sup> Richard Ussher and my overseers shall thinck mete & fit for hym during his naturall lyffe. It'm I do also leav ffreely unto her fortie barrayles of porte corne growing dew out of my myll in St Patrick Streete for supportac'on of her house she paieing one half yeres rent yerely w<sup>ch</sup> is xx<sup>s</sup> ix<sup>d</sup> being the moitie of the rent dew therefore yerely. It'm I do also leav unto here Tenn Cartes of fyrrs grouing yerely upon my ffearme balgaddy in the King's land during her naturall lyffe she paieing for the chardges in bringing them home onely. It'm I do also leav unto her ffrelie fortie onces of my white silvar plate, to dispose to whome she shall please for ever. It'm I also leav unto her Twentie pounds str. corant monyes of england to be paid unto her p'ntlie by my exer out of enny Treassure I hav or shall hav at the tyme of my deceasse for her p'nt maynten'nc until her tearmely paym<sup>ts</sup> shall com into the lands.

It'm least my wyff shold enny way be discontented in enny thing by me p'vided in this my will w<sup>ch</sup> I hav in all Respects done for her quiet & good I do for further contentm<sup>t</sup> of her leav & legacie hereby unto her one hundred m'cks str to be paid unto her or assignes where she shal

dispose the sune to be paid by my exer so sone & imediate after my debts I shall dye at tyme of my death indebted of be paid in that lue w<sup>ch</sup> I do owe unto her & desire she shall be well pleased & contented w<sup>th</sup> all & do also bequeath unto her thre or fore pounds weight of candell light, p'cell of such light as is reserved unto me by lease yerely during her lyf.

It'm I do leav in trust of this my will & to oversee the same be dewly executed in all poynts in true Love & charitie enny way my bro: M<sup>r</sup> Walter Sedgrave my neuphie M<sup>r</sup> John Shelton & my son M<sup>r</sup> Richard Ussher of Cromlene to aide assist and duly to establish all & every pte of this my will in such godly loving and ffrendlie prte as is becoming ffrends to do, that no discord do enny way arise betweene my son & my wiffe.

It'm I do leav my corruptible body to the earth to be buried in St Audoens church there to be buried with my ffather mother sisters & brethren and other my children in hope of a joyfull resurrec'on in our Saviour Christ Jessus.

It'm I hav the instr'mt writting hereof in my wyff's custody fourty fore pounds str in gold and sum XX<sup>lb</sup> in Silvar w<sup>ch</sup> is all I hav at this present ex 14<sup>o</sup> Septemb' 1607.

It'm all the writtings that do conserne my daughters & there childrene enny way are in my daske in my studdy to be forthcoming whereby such joynters and agremts made by me for p'ffermts of my children may apere, & estates are to be made unto everry of them acording as by gods p'mission they oght dare to be done unto them.

NICHOLAS BALL.

It'm a writting concerning the late children of Robert Cusack lefte also in my daske to be forthcoming at all tymes in dischardge of my consiens for soch trust as he lefte me in.

*A treu report concerning* such bonds & bills & ther . . . w<sup>ch</sup> do lye out of my hands w<sup>th</sup> other men now w<sup>ch</sup> debts are trulie paid.

ffirst the exer of humffre fforthe of this cittie deceased w<sup>th</sup> holdeth a bond of mine unpaid, the same at least V<sup>lb</sup> or more str.

M<sup>r</sup> Redmond Nugent . . . or hav pmsed to exer.

It'm Sir Jo: Tirrell Knight w<sup>th</sup> holdeth a bond of mine of L<sup>lb</sup> str & I do owe him . . . XXX<sup>s</sup> to be dew thereon w<sup>ch</sup> u . . .

It'm my Brother Walter Balls exer do w<sup>th</sup> hold a bond of myne w<sup>th</sup> oults my noth in.

It'm the Corporac'on of the Trinitie Gild w<sup>th</sup> holdeth a bond of myne & the debt is . . .

It'm the exer of Raffe Jonnes of Coventre w<sup>th</sup> holdeth a bond of myne & . . .

It'm the exer of M<sup>r</sup> Will<sup>m</sup> Kempton of London deceased do withold a bond of mine & . . . .

I tacke there is a . . . .

*Legacies* I do leav as following—

first to Margaret Dungane my son Du'gane's eldest daughter, }  
when she cometh to yeres of p'ffermt I leave as my exer shall } x<sup>lb</sup> str  
thincke mete. }

It'm to every other of here sisters when they do come to lick }  
yeres of p'ffermt<sup>b</sup> xx<sup>lb</sup> str & unto Og . . . . Dungane when } xx<sup>lb</sup>  
he cometh to xx yeres I do leav xx<sup>lb</sup> st as he do behav hym best } iiij<sup>st</sup>  
as becometh—

It'm to Amy Ussher my son Ussher's eldest daghter I leav xx<sup>lb</sup> str.

It'm my daghter Elizabeth & dmies my scarlet gowne.

It'm to my daghter Jane Ball and to her daghter Rex Ussher I do }  
leav my gold jowell w<sup>ch</sup> is worth at least v<sup>lb</sup> xiii<sup>s</sup> str. }

It'm to my daghter Margaret Ball my wollen gowne.

It'm to my daghter Kataren my black bordered . . . .

It'm to Margaret Murgene . . . . lb str.

It'm to Joan Murgene to reliev her . . . . lb str.

It'm my damask cote to . . . . . It'm to my neophue . . . . .

It'm to my son Barth'ew my . . . . . It'm to my son Traver  
my sword now in paune w<sup>th</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Ceroel w<sup>ch</sup> let my exer redeme.

It'm I do bequeath to Anstace bermingham my Sr<sup>'nt</sup> x<sup>lb</sup> str promessed  
at the expire of her terme of yeres & x<sup>lb</sup> str more towards her p'ffermt.  
It'm to patrick Begg my now app<sup>'tice</sup> when he shall serv out his tearme  
to help his estate xx<sup>s</sup>. It'm to Rex Murgene to help her needy  
estate I do leav xxx<sup>s</sup> str.

It'm Richard Ussher claymeth of me v<sup>lb</sup> str as promessed w<sup>th</sup> Jene his  
now wyff whereof I pade unto hym . . . . unto the present iiijlb str  
upon his spoues w<sup>ch</sup> I delivered unto hym and there are ther reckinnings  
dew, such as apereth in my boocke w<sup>ch</sup> will set me clere in that  
reckinning.

It'm yff so it shall please the Almighty, as I besech God to forbid, to  
tack out of this lyff unto his mcie my son Barthe'w, his son Thomas or  
other his son whom god may stud, that my Lands & inheritn's shall  
goe unto the eldest sonnes of my daghters to be equallie divided  
amongst them & not into the hands of enny out of my owne generacon  
& that last upon such deffaltt my leasses shall goe and be unto my  
daghters & there children in generall then Livinge, to be equallie divided  
emongest them, (This article is expressed hereafter in a codycle to this  
my will) pvided alwayes as is beforsaid that enny and every the daghters  
of my son Barthe'w then Living shall have iustlie & trulie paid unto

them & enny of them foure hundredth pounds str corant monye of England by the hands of my executors or others hereby intrusted for executing of this my last will and Testam<sup>t</sup>. NICHOLAS BALL.

It'm if God shall please to tacked to his mrcie out of this lyff my son Barthe'w in the mynoritie of his children, being yong and not able to help themselves in state of discre'son wysdom and govrm<sup>t</sup>, then I do hereby Leav and put in trust of accombt of my rents and debts my neuphye Mr John Shelton, my son Mr Richard Ussher of Cromline, and my son Robert Ussher of Cabinteely and my son Jo: Browne of Heales-towne to receav hereby and at all tymes my rents to trust of my son Barthe'w is children begotten and to be begotten and them to kepe and mayntayne w<sup>th</sup> competent meat and drink and cloths until the sed children do come to xx yeres of age and his daghters to yeres of pfferm and to be accomptable to them for the same in iust and trew sort as becometh men of trust.

Witness my hand

NICHOLAS BALL.

*Codicil.*

29<sup>o</sup> Mrtij.

By the grace of god, Amen.

1608. My will is ffurther that my son Barthe'w Ball by God's pmission eather psonallie in his owne pson or thorough his heire or executors and my ffeoffes mack a lease of  $\frac{xx}{iii}$  and one yeres unto the second son of the sed Barthe'w namelie to his son Ni'chas Ball of and upon house by me new Builded nere Ormonds gate to tacked beginning when the child cometh to Twentie one yeres of adge paieing to my son Barthe'w during his lyffe the rent now reserved w<sup>ch</sup> is xiiib xiiis iiij<sup>d</sup> str p. ann and after his deceasse to his heires tenn pounds irish p. ann during the rest of the continuance of the said lease.

It'm I do further will unto him twoo hundred pounds str monyes of England to be paid unto hym by my exer when he shall come to twentie fiv yeres of adge and not befor fearing his wel governing of hymself in that tyme and if it shold hapen my son Barthe'w to dye befor his children do come to xxi yeres of adge then all the pcells of my Lands and housses be as a stocke to mayntayne them and there children.

It'm I do further will unto hym my fearme of Lundrestown for a lease of thirtie one yeres paieing unto my heires tenn pounds irish p. ann and dischardging the cheef rent during that tyme w<sup>ch</sup> is fiv pounds ijs p. ann. this lease is not tacked begininge until after my son Barthe'w his decease. The child is one half yere of adge at the date above said. N. BALL.

It'm my will is and I do hereby Leav Mathew Ball my son Barthew's third son when he shall come to xxi yeres of adge a lease for  $\frac{xx}{iii}$  and 1 yeres upon my house in market place he paieing therefor to my sonne

five pounds str p. ann during the lease. I leav hym also two hundredth pounds st. of England to be p<sup>d</sup> unto hym as I hav befor said to his Brother Nic. as well in Legacie of money so as to pocess the benefitt thereof when he do com to xxv yeres of adge and do will hym also a lease upon the psonad'ge of portraine w<sup>th</sup> all the app'tennns thereof paieng unto my sonne twentie pounds str. p. ann. and discharging the rent dew unto the King's Ma<sup>tie</sup> wh is viij<sup>lb</sup> irish p. ann.

It'm my will is that every daghter he hath or shall hav hereafter shall hav for there pffmts thre hundred pounds str. monyes of England towards there pffments to be paid when they come to yeres to be pffered as my then Loving overseers shall thinck mete to be paid by my heires by yerely prcons untill my heire do come the Adge of xxi yeres and if my son Barthe'w do liv so long he may w<sup>th</sup> help of his sonnes wardship and Laieng besyds what may be spared, sufficient to deffray all the chardges and have moghe besydes this last of M<sup>rch</sup> 1609. NICHOLAS BALL.

The lick ssome I do leave in chardge upon my son and executors to pay And do bequeath to every son my daghters to bring unto my sonne hereafter vix. : a howse for lease of yeres ij<sup>lb</sup> ij<sup>s</sup> in mony and a ffearme at reasonable rent in the contre for xl yeres, hopping in god my son and his wyff will so forward there estate under god that my will in all this busynes be effected eadem die et Anno ultimo.

Mrij 1609

NICHOLAS BALL.

The Will and Testam<sup>t</sup>

Contayned in thes shetes of paper declared and established in presens of those parsons whose names are underwritten day and yere within written.

NICHOLAS BALL.

Names of psons.

WALTER SEDGRAVE.

JAMES SEDGRAVE.

No. 8.

The Prerogative WILL of Alderman ROBERT BALL, Mayor of

Dublin, 1605, son-in-law to Henry Ussher, Lord

Primate of All Ireland : proved 1635.

In the name of God Amen I Robert Ball of the Citty of Dubl. Alderman being sicke and weake in body but pfect and whole in memorie doe make this my last will and Testament as following first I bequeath my soule to God my Maker Jesus Christ my Redeemer and the holie Ghost my sanctifier from whom and by whom I only trust to be saved . and my bodie to be buried in S<sup>t</sup> Audoen's Church expecting through the mercies in Christ a joyfull resurrection , Item I bequeath



my loving wife Margaret Barry my fearms of Balligalle containing sixtie acres of land, wh: s<sup>d</sup> land I hold of Ralfe Dooly & John Begg, during the interest I have therein if she soe long shall live and also I bequeath to her the third pte of my household stuffe and the third pte of my plate and also I doe further give and bequeath unto her thirtie pounds ster p. ann during her naturall life to be paied unto her out of all my lands and Tenements yearely at the usuall ffeasts of Easter and Michaelmasse or wthin eight weekes next after. And my eldest sonne William Ball Esq to be bound in a bond of three hundred pounds ster to the true payment of the said summe of thirtye pounds ster as aforesaid unto her during her life.

And my will is that she shal be in Leine of all jointers Dowries Legacies thirddrate and Demaunds whatsoever she cann or shall demand or claime by law or court of Equitie as my wife for her dower or third pte; Item I doe further give and bequeath unto my sonne and heire William Ball Esq all my Lands in Drogheda And in the County of Lowthe And in the County of Westmeathe and all my howses, Lands and Tenements within the City of Dublin and the suburbs thereof, and also I doe give and bequeath unto my fo: sonne the townes and villages of Balltury and Beetaghstowne with the Appurtenances withall of the Lands and Tenem<sup>ts</sup> with the mill of Terfeckin and the ffearme of Mayne wh: I hould from the Most Reverend father in God the now Archbp of Armagh in the said County of Lowth, And also I do give unto my said sone the Reversion of my howse and Lands of Balligalle after the decease of my said wife, and also I doe give and bequeath unto my said sonne all the Lands wh: I hould from M<sup>r</sup> Robert Plunkett in the Towne and fields of Glassneven in the County of Dublin for fortie one yeares yet to rounne which Lease the said M<sup>r</sup> Plunkett is to perfect upon Demaund unto my said sonne at the rent of xxij<sup>l</sup> p. ann, And also I doe give and bequeath unto my said sonne all the Lands and Tenem<sup>ts</sup> in the towne and fields of fflinglasse in the said county of Dubl<sup>l</sup>, wh: I hould by lease from S<sup>r</sup> Ambrose fforthe Kn<sup>t</sup> during the time wh I have herein unexpired at the Rente reserved upon the said Lease. And also I doe unto him eleven acres of land in Jamestowne wh: I hould from Sir James Ware Kn<sup>t</sup> with two Acres of Church Land neere Balligalle aforesaid—And also two howses or Tenem<sup>ts</sup> with Gardens and Orchards with Tenn acres of Land in the greene of fflinglasse wh: I hould from the masters and wardens of Corpus Christi geilde, And also I doe give and bequeath unto my said sonne the ffearme and Lands of Glassneven, aforesaid wh: I hould from the Deane and chapter of Christ Church, called foster's ffearme, out of all wh: lands and Tenem<sup>ts</sup> soe bequeathed and granted unto my said sonne and heire my will is that my said sonne

and heire shall satisfie and pay unto my sonne George Ball the sume of one hundred and ffety pound ster—and also to my sonne Richard Ball the like summe of one hundred and ffety pounds and also unto my daughter Margery the like funde of one hundred and ffety ster . And also unto my daughter Ellenor the like funde of one hundred and ffety pounds ster, and also to my daughter Elizabeth Ball the like funde of one hundred and ffety pound, to be paid unto them out of the proffitte and effects of the said Lands and goods with all convenient speed And also that they (except the said Elizabeth) shall be kept and maintained by my said sonne, and my said daughters be paid ther said portions when it shall please God that they shall be p<sup>e</sup>ferred to husbands And also my will is that my said sonne and heire shal be my sole executr and overseer of this my Last will and Testament, and that he shalbe at the charge at costs of my buriall and funerall to be performed in decent and comely manner at the pace quite fitting in his wisdoome and discretion—And further my will is that my fo: daughter Elizabeth shall have ffety pounds ster. more to be paied out of the Issues and proffitte aforesd in consideration that my s<sup>a</sup> wife shall mainteine her untill the said portion be paied, And also my will is that my s<sup>a</sup> wife shall have out of my said corne now in my haggard ffety nine barrells and an halfe of oate and also of the Tithe corne ; It is my will that she shall have nyne barrells of oate and four barrells and a halfe of wheat and four barrells and a half beare, and that my s<sup>a</sup> sonne and heire shall have all the Rest of the corne in my haggard and all my corne in ground without any division And lastly my will is that my said sonne and heire shall have all the arrearayes of my Rente and all other Debts and Demaunds wh: are due unto me by any wayes or methuds the better to enable him to mainteine the said children and pay there said portions And my will is that the said portions shall be paied unto my s<sup>a</sup> children in order as they are in age, and that my said sonne shall pay the saied by one hundred pounds a yeare out of the proffitts and issues of my said Lands and Leases thereby given unto him And that as soone as he shall satisfie them of there portions in manner as aforesaid he shal then be Discharged of giving them any further maintenance other than he shall thinke fitte himselfe : And lastly my will is that my said sonne and heire shall be bound unto y<sup>e</sup> Reverend father in God Robert Usher Doctor of Divinitie and Bp of Kildare, and my sonne Nicholas Browne in the funde of one Thousand pounds ster to the use of my said children for the true and faithfull p<sup>r</sup>formance of this my will in all points wh: on his p<sup>r</sup>te is to be performed according the true meaning thereof. In witness whereof I the said Robert Ball have hereunto putt my hand and seale the xxi<sup>i</sup> day of January in an'o Dom' 1635.

ROBERT BALL.

Being p'sent at the sealing and delivery hereof by the said Robert Ball we whose names are hereonder written,

Robert Usher: Nic: Browne: Thomas Ormes: John Kerdiffe.

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No. 9.

The Prerogative WILL of Alderman EDWARD BALL of Bridge Street, Mayor of Dublin, 1621; Proved 1626.

In the name of the ffather the Sunn and the holie ghost Amen, I being weak in bodie butt pfect in hart and mind doe bequeath my soule and bodie to Almightye God my Creator and to my Saviour my redeemer Jesus Christ his sunn and to the holie ghost who sanctified me, Three persons and one trew and Everlasting God, be all honour and glorie now and evermore. Amen.

An for as much as itt hath pleased Almightye god to Creat man to liv for a tym how longe or how short according as his heavenlie maiestie hath apointed and hath required Abraham to sett his howse in order nott knowing how longe he should live and soe for the setling of the talent that God of his mercie hath bestowed uppon me as followeth. I bequeath unto my wellbeloved wife Alson Weston as followeth my now dwelling house in bridg street with such Tearm and interest as I have herein together w<sup>th</sup> all my howshold stuffe Brass pewter linen & wollen together w<sup>th</sup> hir own apparaile and the goodes in my shopp onelie excepted out of w<sup>ch</sup> shee is to have hir thirds as of the rest of my goods, I doe likewise leave unto her a third part of all my goodes and wares in the shopp at the Key together w<sup>th</sup> the third part of all depts dew, by bill book or bonds my own depts and funeralls being first paid and for hir better maintenance I doe leave unto hir during her naturall liffe the sum of fower poundes three shillings str, Issuing and growing out of our howse in Cook Street wherein Jo: Griffin, Cooper dwelled, and alsoe three pound a year out of the dwelling howse of William fludd and Thomas Dillon his chamber and fellow in the same howse uppo' the merchant Key during my interest if shee liv soe long, and alsoe one wast howse neer Cookold is post now in the occupatio' of S<sup>r</sup> James Carroll pcell of Saint Anns when the tym thereof shall com in to be unto hir alsoe during hir liffe, as also my howse without Newgat wherein Nicholas hopkins sadler latlie dwelled, yealding the yeerlie rent of twelve poundes str, p ann' all w<sup>h</sup> pcells enioied by her during hir naturall liffe: the reversion and reversions therof I leave to my well beloved Brother Jo: Ball during his liffe, and heires males of his bodie begotten lawfullie And for want of heires to my nephewe George Ball second sonn unto my Brother Rob<sup>t</sup> Ball and to the heires males of his bodie lawfullie begotten and for want of such heires males to my

nephew Richard Ball and lastlie my will is that my daughter Ann Ball shalbe my whole executor of this my last will and Testament and doe apoint my trustie and well beloved Brother Robert Ball and M<sup>r</sup> Richard Barrie, Aldermen, to be the overseers of this my said will—and I leave the custodie of my dawghter unto the said Richard Barrie Alderman.

And I doe leave him p. ann till shee come to tenn years of adge if itt please God she live soe long five pounds a year for hir maintenance & tenn pounds a year till shee be married, And for the better estating of hir I doe leave unto hir my title and Interest of the moitie or halfendeale of the longe tiethes in the parish of Rathtowth in the countie of Meath wh<sup>ch</sup>: yealds me at this present about the number of one hundred perks of corn p. ann or therabouts as alsoe my Rents and customs of the town and fields of Bridgend in the Countie of Meath And in the occupatio<sup>n</sup> of Oliphar Eliot, gent, and Walter Daniel fermor wh<sup>ch</sup>: yeelds me the yeerlie rent of eighteen pounds str. and alsoe my lands and customs in Kiltali wh<sup>ch</sup>: yeelds me aleaven pounds a year besid the customs wh<sup>ch</sup>: stande me in one hundred pounds ster. all which I leave to my said dawghter and the heires males of her bodie lawfullie begotten and for want of such [Issue male] wh<sup>ch</sup> my nephew William Ball eldest sonn to my Brother Robart Ball and to the heires males of his bodie lawfullie begotten and for want of such issue male to the heires males of my nephew George Ball second son to my Brother Robart Ball And for want of such issue male to the heires males of my nephew Richard Ball third sonn to my Brother Robart Ball. It: I will and my will is that if anie of the said mortgadges shall at any Tym be redeemed that my said overseers maie dispose therof to the best use and behoof of my said Executor and furtherwher matters of differencis maie arise between my Brother Robart and my Executor by Recognicence books or otherwise I do cleerlie acquitt and discharge him provided alwaies that all Rekonings accounts and Demands maie be determined or otherwise stand in as full force as formerlie they did.

And for sum small of money dew to me by my Brother John I doe likewise discharge him of that and for one gold Ringe I have in paun of my Brother John Ball I do discharge him of that.

And for one mortgage of fortie pounds wh<sup>ch</sup>: I have out of the towne and lands of Hardlocto wher Edward Morgan now dwelleth out of wh<sup>ch</sup>: I receaved butt one years Rent the wh<sup>ch</sup>: mortgage and proffitts thereof I doe leave unto my nice Elenor Sedgrave my sister Kate Ball is second daughter towards hir better preferment.

And for the further finishing of this my will I doe leave and bequeath unto my daughter Ann Ball the surplusses of all my goods and depts my funeralis and depts discharged and if my said daughter shall die before

she be married the remainder thereof to my nephew William Ball and if he fortun to die to nephew Richard Ball and for want of such to heires Generall, And for the disposing of my funerall as following,

My body to be buried in S<sup>t</sup> Audwen's Church *in the buriall place of ffather and Anncestors,*

And for the poor I doe bequeath and apoint fortie three poor pownds for men and women and for everie woman a yard of Scottish cloth and for everie man one course black hatt, my scutcions and badges to be bought of the herald and noe other that extrordinarie charge in that kind.

M<sup>r</sup> Maior and my Brothere to be Intertained at my funerall, and for my murnings I doe leave my wiffe and my sister Kate a gown apeece of them and my dawghter a gown and for men moorneng I doe leave brother Rob<sup>t</sup> & my brother Sedgrave a kloak to ech of them I doe leave my cossing Barrie and my cossin Ric<sup>d</sup> Foester a cloak apeece, I doe leave my Brother Jo: Ball and my nephew Will: Ball a cloak apeece, I doe leave to my servants Thomas Dillon and George Dowdall a cloake apeece of them and to my servant Henrie Gellows a kloake, I doe likewise leve unto him three powndes, str. a yeare out of my land for service and I beg that he maie trulie enform my overseers howe the estat of my depts and busines stands and be dutifull and obedient to his mistris my now wiffe. I do leave to my nurse to be paid out of my goods the sum of twentie shillings ster, And soe I Bequeath my soule and bodie to Almightye God and rest this nien and twentieth of November 1625, as witness my hand and sele

EDWARD BALL.

Being present at the signing and sealing therof those name so ensue

John Handcock . Hen: Weston

John Weston . Thomas Dillon . George Dowdall.

Pardon of intrusion and alienation for Bartholomew Balle, gent, son and heir of Nicholas Balle, late of Dub: city, Ald<sup>m</sup> dec<sup>d</sup> for a fine of 13s. 4d. 19th Novr Pat. Rol. 12 Jac:

It appears from Pat. Rol. 10th Jac: that Barth. Balle's house was near the Hall of S<sup>t</sup> Anne's Guild in the parish of S<sup>t</sup> Audoen's.

#### No. 10.

Extract from "Spicilegium Ossoriense" by Cardinal Moran, regarding *Mrs. Margaret Ball als Bermingham of Dublin.* "Irish Martyrs during the reign of Queen Elizabeth, drawn up by Father John Holing S.J. (who died of the plague at Lisbon 1599) and copied from the Archives of Irish College of Salamanca."

## JESUS—MARIA.

Perbreve compendium in quo continentur nonnulli eorum qui in Hybernâ Regnaute impiâ Reginâ Elizabeth, vincula, exilium et martyrium perpassi sunt, compositum, a P. Joanne, Holingo, Hiberno, Societatis Jesu.

*Many Bishops and Priests.*

*Mulieres.*

Multae Mulieres, simili modo passae sunt multa in multis regni partibus et in exilio, variaque tormenta carceres, bonorum rapinas et similia de quibus pauca perstringam.

Dublini quaedam nobilis vidua, nomine Matrona Ball, mater hospita et receptaculum Catholicorum magistra et Christianæ doctrinæ. Nam famuli et famulae quae suâ domo ad alias partes tendebant vel ab ipsamet nobilibus postulatis dati fuerunt, tanquam periti scholastici ex optimâ scholâ missi non suos solum conservos et conservas, sed et aliquando et saepissime haeros et dominas Christo lucrati sunt. Haec lacrymosas fundebat orationes, multos Catholicos Episcopos, sacerdotes aliosque literatos opera data clam in domum suam vocabat, et postea filium ad convivium invitabat, ut saltem eorum conversatione, orationibus praecipue disputationibus—tanquam altera Monica—filium ab haeresi revocaret. Hujus rei sum oculatus testis. Sed induratum cor illius, incapax disciplinæ mansit—mater tamen non cessabat, et per se et per alios pro eo orare et propterea semper habebat domi Sacerdotem Catholicum, qui pro se suiue filii conversione quotidie Deo Patri aeterno sacrificium offerebat, quam ob causam, sæpe accusata et ab hæreticis capta fuit, nonnunquam et tempore missae, unâ cum sacerdote celebrante apprehensa est; et cum eodem sacerdotalibus induto paramentis, publice, per plateas, ad carceres perducta, et quamvis hoc modo, plures calices et paramenta perdidit—pecuniis nobilium quae auxilio et custodia publica dimissa—tum non omisit alia paramenta procurare, singulisque diebus clam sacrum audire. Tandem ejus filius, de quo superius facta est mentio, praeter sive civitatis gubernator factus, inhumaniter, propriam matrem, infirmam, senio confectam, ambulare non valentem, eo quod in sua sancta consuetudine, et fidei professione perseverabat, e domo suâ extrahi fecit, et quodam instrumento quasi feretro ignominiose ad carceres per hæreticorum ministros portari curavit ubi a ministris mulieris animus Jesu xti fide speque munitus, omnia patienter sufferebat. Ad extremum, carceris squallore, laboribus, infirmitatibusque aliisque incommodis affecta xtianæ et vere Catholicæ mulieres relinquens, exemplum, obdormivit in Domino Circa Annum 1584.

Documents relating to Ireland. Vol. CLXI. p. 438. P.R.O. Chancery Lane.

(No. 14, 10 Nov. 1591.)

(Letter from John Ball at Brussels to his sister Margaret<sup>r</sup> Kindall wife to Walter Harrold merchant or to his sister Kate Ball)

Address.—To his wellbeloved Sister Margaret<sup>r</sup> Kindall, wyffe to Mr. Walter Harrold merchant, Dwellinge in ye Cock Street in Dublyn this to her, or in her absence to his sister Katt. Ball at Cordoff in fingall this geve with sped.

Lovyng Sister Margaret<sup>r</sup> Kindall my harti Comendacons remembered unto yo<sup>r</sup> self & unto my Brother y<sup>r</sup> husband with my sister Katt Ball not fforgettinge my Deare & welbeloved mother whom I truste with all y<sup>r</sup> children to be in good & perfecte healthe with ye rest of my poore kinsfolke & ther children—whose healthes bothe in body & soull I wishe as myn own ye shall understand that I am in perfect bodelie healthe God be praised as the berer hearof may lett ye undstand more at lardge, to whom I reffere to discribe unto ye my estatt which I thancke or Lord is better than I deserve, I thought to have been the messenger myself that should have don this message but it is fallen out contrary to my expectacon for I assure you that ther is nothinge that I desire more in this world next the service of God than to see you or hear of yo<sup>r</sup> helthes & welfare. Good sister Margaret<sup>r</sup> comend me dutiffully to my mother if she be as yett livinge whose blessing I duily crave I comytt to ye the berer heroffe as one of my especiale ffrends prayeing ye that ye doe to him as ye wod to me which I doutt not but ye will yf my littell neuphewe y<sup>r</sup> sonne be well & in helthe faill not to kepe him to scolle & have a care to bringing him up verteuously as I trust in God before I die to be able to doe him pleasure as he of whom I have especial care of yf it please God I lyve thereunto. I wod have write ye very often thes 4 yeares that I am absent but that messengers were very hard to be fond especially thos that be trustei considering y<sup>e</sup> jorney is longe—Comend me to Catterin Daniell tell her that my brother Nicholes Alyn is dead I pray you whattsoever the bearer hearof would have done faill not to do it I mean in his necessity to see his want supplied as poore travelers are often without means to live whatsoever he tellethe ye ye may belevee him I assure ye. Good sister comend me to Mrs. Stanyhurst at Court Doffe & to my cossen Ball of Baldremye with as many as wil be glad to her of my welfare forgetting not Pathericke Ardaghe & his wyffe and y<sup>e</sup> rest of y<sup>e</sup> good friends, this I send commitinge ye all in generall to the mercies of the Almighty whoe presave y<sup>r</sup> helthe to the honnore of God Amen.

ffrom Brussels in Brabant the 10th November 1591. Yoeur poore &  
 louing Brother During Lif To his Pouer Signed Jhon Ball

EXTRACT FROM CAL. S.P. DOMESTIC, 1603-1610.

1606 Feb. 28. Stephen Phelippe's information on matters about which his brother Thomas wrote to him, viz., to communicate with John Ball on his correspondence with Thos. Phelippes &c.

July 10, 1606. Salisbury House; Exam. of John Ball concerning his acquaintance with Capt<sup>n</sup> Newce who in May 1605 led a Compy of Irish to enter the Spanish Service, delivering him letters from Col. Giacomo de Franceschi; intercourse with Tomasio de Franceschi—giving sweet-meats to Capt. Newce, &c.

Questions to John Ball about Capt. Newce. Ball said he had served the King of Spain 26 years and that he hoped better days for Catholics.

2nd Exam. of Ball. Causes of Suspicion, taken from John Ball's Exam., that he was privy to what passed between T. de Franceschi and Newce; after Newce's declaration, Ball gave him Genoese Paste which was poisoned.

July 16. T. de Franceschi and Ball in the Tower of London, as prisoners.

August 20. The Spanish Ambassador wishes Ball to be proceeded against.

1607 Decr 23. Ralph Barksdale to John Ball at Brussels—Presses him to come to England and promises to secure his concealment.

No. 12.

IRISH GRANTS TO LLANTHONY ABBEY BY GLOUCESTER.

Hugh de Lacy, Earl of Meath, was of the family which founded Llanthony Abbey which was originally, acc. Dugdale, founded in the mountainous part of Monmouthshire, but on account of Welsh incursions a second Abbey was founded outside the gates of Gloucester, and the De Lacys gave the Canons many gifts of land both in England and Ireland.

In a Patent Roll 17 ed ii, it is said that Hugo de Lacy gave Churches and lands in Ireland, and Walter his son confirmed the grant. Hugh had given the Church of Calp, with tithes in corn in Gerey and Duvenacharvy, the Church of Villa Marmerie, with tithes of fishery, the Church of Anye; the Church of Valle Clonallwy, the Church of Villa Oggary in Meath, the Church of Delvene, the Church of Kilmithe, the Church of Ville que Reginald de Turberville, the Church of Kilkarva, the Church of Dunboine, of Rathbegan, of Kilbruy, and of Drumrath et terra de Salebric, and the Church which Gilbert de Cornwall had in the honor of Rashouthe, also S<sup>t</sup> Mary's Church, Drogheda.



A Pedigree of the DELAHAYDE OR DELAHIDE Family of Moyglare in the Liberty of Trim, Co. Meath, compiled from Public Archives and T.C.D. Genealogical MSS. Arms.—Barry of Six arg<sup>s</sup> & gules a bend sa—*Crest*, a heron's head couped ar: ducally gorged or beaked gu; holding in the beak a snake pp.

*This name is spelt Delahoyde in the Roll of Battle Abbey, 1066.*

There were Delahydes in Dorset, Beds, Essex, Cornwall & Leicestershire in the reigns of Edw. i & Edw. ii. From the acc<sup>ts</sup> of the Bishop of Waterford, Chancellor of Hib. it appears that in 1260 John Delahyde who had married the dr of Walerand de Welesle had seisin of land in the Manor of Ballymadum, Co. Dublin. Her name was Mabella. He m<sup>d</sup> (2<sup>ndly</sup>) Agetha dr of Andrew Preston. The principal authorities for their history are the Close and Patent Rolls, Irish Inquis p.m., Trin Coll. M.S.S.E. 3. 2, F. 1. 18, F. 3. 27 & F. 4. 18.

The Delahoydes of Ireland were descended in the female line from Hugh de Lacy of Weobly and Trim by his second wife, Rohesia, dr of Oconor, King of Connaught. Hugh de Lacy received from King Henry ii a grant of the lordship of the Kingdom of Meath and of Ulster; in 1172 to hold as Earl Palatine; he was assassinated at Durrow, King's County 25 July 1185, and left two sons—Hugh the younger, Lord of Ulster, and Walter de Lacy jun. who died Feb. 1241, leaving by his wife, dr of Wm de Brus, a son, Gilbert de Lacy, hostage to King John, July 1215, died 1234 (in v. patris). He had to wife Isabel dr of Ralph le Bigod, and by her had 2 drs and co-heiresses, Margery who m<sup>d</sup> Sir John de Verdon father of Sir Theobald de Verdon; and Maud de Lacy, who m<sup>d</sup> 2<sup>ndly</sup> Lord Geoffry de Geneville before 1253, (alive 1283) Lord of Vancouleur, Chief Justiciary of Ireland (brother of Jean de Joinville, the friend and historian of S<sup>t</sup> Louis of France) and Lord (in virtue of his marriage) of Meath.

By him Lady Maud had two sons (1) Simon who m<sup>d</sup> Joan, d & h of Theo. Leons, L<sup>d</sup> of Tubberbyr and by him had one son Nicholas, and five drs, co-heiresses. Maud de Lacy had (2) Peter de Geneville, Lord of Ludlow, who m<sup>d</sup> 1283 Joan, dr of Hugh Count of March and Angoulême and d. 1307. He had Johanna who m<sup>d</sup> Roger Mortimer, Earl of March.

Of the five drs of Simon de Geneville, the firstborn, Marian m<sup>d</sup> John Hussey, Knt. first baron of Galtrim; the second dr Elizabeth m<sup>d</sup> Wm de Loundres, Lord of Athboy & Naas (& grandnephew of Earl Strongbow) and by him had a dr & h, Elizabeth who m<sup>d</sup> Sir Christopher Preston of Gormanston; the third dr Matilda m<sup>d</sup> Baldwin Fleming, Lord of Slane; the fourth dr m<sup>d</sup> Sir Walter Delahyde (I); the fifth dr m<sup>d</sup> John Cruce of Nall.

Sir Christopher Preston, son of Sir Robert Preston, Lord Chancellor of Ireland, lived at Carberry Castle, where on St Valentine's Day 1412 his younger dr Eliz<sup>th</sup> m<sup>d</sup> Sir Walter Delahyde (ii), Knt., who was born c 1370, Knted 1397 by Roger, Earl of Ulster; she had issue by him as see below.

We turn back to trace the Delahoyde family history previous to the marriage of the second Sir Walter.

In 1228 Radulf de Trubleville had seisin of Ballymadun, and Henry his heir in 1231; finally W<sup>m</sup> de T. had seisin of the same manor. John Delahoyde of Ballymadun was m<sup>d</sup> to Mabella de Welleslie previous to 1260, and secondly to Agatha, dr & h of Andrew Preston. In a plea Roll 6 Ed. iii. Leix, we find that "Simon, son to John Delahoide brought a Forma cu' in discendu' agst Sir Maurice FitzGerald, Knt, for 12 plowlands which lyeth in the remotest part of Leix, upon a deed made by Andrew Preston to John and Agatha, his heirs, and to the heirs of their bodies, as lying in the Co. Kildare."

This Simon was by Agatha his wife, father of Walter de la Hyde of Ballymadun, free tenant of the King 1282. A Close Roll, 1315 orders Edw. le Botiller not to disturb John de la Hyde of Ballymadun for his lands in Ireland, as the King has taken his homage & fealty.

SIR WALTER DELAHOYDE, Knt., was summoned to Scotland with Sir John Darcy, with arms and horses in 1335, and had a fresh grant of the manor of Ballymadun with the Vicarage appertaining thereto, 1344, of Moyclare in the liberty of Trim, and of Donaghslagh Manor in Meath. He m<sup>d</sup> the fourth dr of Simon de Geneville and had issue—1. Sir James De la Hoyde, Knt., born c 1345, of Moyclare, Knted by Lionel, Duke of Clarence, 1367, summoned to Parl<sup>t</sup> of Edw. iii, as Knt. of the Shire, 1370 & 1374. He m<sup>d</sup> Anne dr of of Matthew Bathe of Dollardstown: 2. W<sup>m</sup> 1369; 3. Robert, 1369; 4. Nicholas, 1369.

Of these Sir James Delahoyde, and Dame Anne his wife had issue, with others, a son, viz: Sir Walter Delahoyde, born c 1370, Knted by Roger Mortimer, Earl of Ulster, 1397; held the Manors of Moyglare, Carbery & Dunshaughlin 1407, and on St Valentine's Day 1412 at Carbery Castle m<sup>d</sup> Elizabeth younger daughter of Sir Xtopher Preston by whom he had issue, firstly, Sir James Delahoyde (ii) Knt, born c 1413, Knted 6 Henry VI, died before 1485, m<sup>d</sup> Rex or Rose Hussey, dr to Meyler Hussey, Baron of Galtrim, and had issue, Walter Delahoyde, Esq. witness to X<sup>t</sup> Xch deed 2 March 1486, Lord of Moyglare, 1488, who m<sup>d</sup>—and had issue; James Delahoyde who m<sup>d</sup>—and had issue, firstly, Sir Walter Delahoyde of Moyglare born c 1503, Knt in 1528, held by mil: service 23<sup>rd</sup> of Henry VIII, de Rege Aug. 24, 1532—In 1534 there was a grant to him and to Richard his brother, of the Offices of Collectors of

Customs of Dublin, Drogheda & Dundalk; appointed to obtain the Viceroy, Lord Delvin's enlargement by O'Connor—2ndly Richard Delahoyde 1517, Chief Justice of Com. Pleas 1532 to 1534, Customer 1534.

Sir Walter m<sup>d</sup> Gennet Eustace dr of Sir Roland Eustace, Lord of Portlester and of his wife Dame Maud Jenico, dr of Sir Jenico D'Artois and his wife Maud Plunkett. Dame Delahoyde's sister Alson m<sup>d</sup> Gerald, More, Earl of Kildare.

Sir Walter & Dame Gennet Delahoyde had issue, 1. James Delahoyde, attainted 1537 for rebellion, "fled to Scotland & there ended his life." He m<sup>d</sup> Joan, dr to—Kent. 2. John, attainted 1537. 3. Walter attainted 1537. James D. and his wife had issue Laurence Delahyde, for whom the attainder was reversed 1585, m<sup>d</sup> Joan dr of Rich<sup>d</sup> Lynam and was father of Rich<sup>d</sup> D. of Moyglare, Esq who m<sup>d</sup> Ismay Barnwell and had issue Luke, of Moyglare, 1627, m<sup>d</sup> Ales Sarsfield. He was concerned in the rising of 1641 and forfeited lands.

We now turn back to Sir Walter Delahoyde Knt, who m<sup>d</sup> Eliz<sup>th</sup> Preston They had issue secondly John Delahoyde, Alderman and Literate, of Drogheda in 1484. He was born 1424, m<sup>d</sup> Margery, dr of Robert Dela Field of Corduffe who was descended from King Edw. i, thro. her grandmother Eleanor Butler, whose father Thos. Butler was 2<sup>nd</sup> son of James, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl of Ormonde, the grandson of Lady Eliz<sup>th</sup> Plantagenet. JOHN DELAHOYDE by his wife Margery had issue, 1. Christopher Delahoyde, Recorder of Drogheda, Justice of K.B. 1527-35, m<sup>d</sup> Katherine—and had issue (1) Walter of Assye, J.P. 1560. (2) Melchior, mcht, of Drogheda, m<sup>d</sup> —and had issue Thos. Christopher, and Eliz<sup>th</sup>.

II. Richard Delahoyde of Drogheda who m<sup>d</sup> —& had issue Katherine m<sup>d</sup> Bermingham of Corballis Co. Meath, & had issue, with others, Margaret Bermingham, wife of Bartholomew Ball of Dublin. She d. 1584.

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The Berminghams of Corballis Co. Meath, were a younger branch of the Berminghams of Athenry; according to Smith's ordinary, their Arms were, Per pale dancettee or and gu, a border ar, verdon of fleurs de lis of the 2<sup>nd</sup>. *Crest*, an owl erm, crowned or.

A Roll of 4<sup>th</sup> year of Henry 5. (1417) f 41, states that Rich<sup>d</sup> Bermingham Sen<sup>r</sup> and Rich<sup>d</sup> son of John Bermingham were declared by Court to be true tenants of Corbally, estate of Walter Cusack, Knt, who was outlawed.

In 1598, a list of gentry of Ireland gives Patrick Bermingham of Corballies in Scrine.

An Inquis. 1624, says that W<sup>m</sup> Bermingham of Corballies, ob. 8 Dec. 1615, and had Patrick son and heir aged 13; wife Ann m<sup>d</sup> 2<sup>ndly</sup> Thos Kent of Dameston. W<sup>m</sup> B. was also seized in Wynetavern Str of 1

house, in Cooke Str 2 houses, and other property in Dublin. Patrick B. forfeited estates 1641 but part was restored. In the Ormonde Papers, Vol. II., p. 79, is a letter from him to "his friend" Major W<sup>m</sup> Cadogan, Dep. Gov<sup>r</sup> of Trim, Sept. 7, 1648. His son George was outlawed in 1691.

## No. 13.

The Pedigree of the Family of DES MYNIERES OR DESMINIERES.

Authorities, MS 3. 682 Brit. Mus; Wills in Irish P.R.O.

Protestant Register of Rouen, Parish Register of St John's & St Audoen's Dublin, &c.

JEAN DESMINIERES of Rouen who m. *circa* 1587 Isabeau Dumont of Bostaquet, by whom he had issue—1. Robert of whom presently. II. Jean, a mcht at Enniskillen who died there 1665, m Anna — by whom he had a posthumous child.

ROBERT DESMINIERES b about 1588 m 9 August 1609 at Rouen Protestant Church, Anne, *dam.* of Eustache Trevacke (whose descendants are still at Rouen) and his wife Barbe, Druel. Robert Desminieres removed to Amersfoort, in the province of Utrecht in Lower Germany, between 1617 and 1620, and from thence to the City of Dublin where he was made a freeman in 1639. He d in 165 $\frac{3}{4}$  and was *buried* on the 10 Feb. at St Audoen's. His wife died of the plague in Dublin 1650, and was probably *bur* at the same place. He had issue by her, 1. David b in 1612 d young. II. Daniel b at Rouen, 15 Feb. 16 $\frac{1}{4}$  d in Dublin 26 June 1643, having received Irish Denization in 1639. Grant of admon, was made to Henry Williams, gent 27 June 1643. Daniel m 24 Sept. 1638, Elinor Johnson, by whom he had issue; 1. Robert b 16 July 1640, m — widow of — Hunter Esq., of Sligo. He d intestate at Sligo, in 1693. 2. John d young. 3. Anne d young. M<sup>rs</sup> Daniel Desminieres m (2ndly) 8 July 1644 Matthew French, by whom she had a numerous family. III. John, of whom presently. IV. Lewis, of whom below. 1. Mary b 14 Nov<sup>r</sup> 1615, d young. 2. Judith d young. 3. Anne m (1st) 10 June 1634, John Hill of London who d 10 Sept 1645. She d 17 July 1650. They had issue I. Robert m Sarah Reimers of Amsterdam. II. John d young. III. Peter 1. Anne. M<sup>rs</sup> Anne Hill m (2ndly) Edward Burton who d s.p. 23 July 1650.

JOHN DESMINIERES was born at Rouen 14 Dec., 1615; accompanied his father to Dublin; received denization 1639; a Dublin Freeman 1648. He lived at the "Sugar Loaf" in Bridge Str; was an Alderman of Dublin; H. Sheriff of the City 1654, Lord Mayor 1666; he was allowed £40 per ann. by the Corporation in 1693. In 1669 he subscribed £10 towards the building of the Royal School in Oxmantown (since known as the Blue Coat Hospital). He m (1st) 6th August 1640 Katherine Billy (d 1 July 1650 and was *bur.* at St John's, Dublin 5<sup>th</sup> of same month) by whom he had issue:—I. Daniel b 3 June 1641; d 21 same month. II. John d young. III. Isaac d young; *bur.* at St John's Dublin 20 May,

1650. IV. Daniel, *d* young; *bur.* 2 March 1650. 1. Margaret, *d* young; *bur.* at St John's 17 Jan 1650. 2. Anne *b* 1645, *bapt.* in St Audoen's 5 April; granted Freedom of the City of Dublin 1659; *m* (1st) 19 June 1662 John Partington, goldsmith, who *d* 13 Nov<sup>r</sup> 1670, and had with other children who *d* young, a son, William, *b* 4 Jan. 1669, Surgeon in Col. Richard Norris's Dragoons. He *d* 1725, leaving by Isabella — his wife, a *dr.* Isabella, *bapt.* St Andrew's, Dub. 26 April 1718, buried at St Peter's, Drogheda.

Anne Desminieres *m* (2ndly) 24 April 1671 Robert Ball Esq. of Ballygall near Finglas, Co Dub. (and afterwards of Drogheda), who *d* 1699, and was buried at St Audoen's, by whom she had issue:—(1) Jane wife of Alderman Edward Dudgeon of Dublin; (2) Robert; (3) Anne wife of Paul Espinasse, in 1725; (4) George; (5) John; (6) George of Mount Ball or Ball's Grove, Drogheda, from whom are descended that family; (7) John, Capt. in General C. Churchill's Reg<sup>t</sup> of Dragoons; (8) Rev<sup>d</sup> Charles Ball, Chaplain R.N. ancestor of the Balls of Rathfarnham & Dublin. M<sup>rs</sup> Ann Ball als Desminieres died and was buried in St Audoen's Xch 1711.

Alderman John Desminieres *m* (2ndly) 29 Sept. 1650, Jane *da*u of John Knox of County of Donegal (? son of Andrew Knox, Bp. of Raphoe), by whom he had issue viz:—I. Samuel, *b* 3 April, 1653; *m.*, 14 Oct 1679 (at St Kevin's Church, Dublin), Jane 3<sup>rd</sup> *da*u of Captain Henry Ponsonby of Crotto, Co. Kerry, by whom he had issue:—(1) John, *b.* 29 Aug., 1680, *bur.* in St Audoen's, 14 Feb. 168½; (2) Elizabeth, *b* 16 Dec<sup>r</sup>, 1681, *m* Mr Rich<sup>d</sup> Walker of Smithfield, Dublin, *mcht.*; (3) Jane, *b* 26 July 1683, *m* — Magrath, & had issue, John, Jane & Anne; (4) Rev<sup>d</sup> Henry, *b* 9 Oct., 1684, *matric.* T. C. D. 1700, M.A.; was Curate of St Catherine's, Dublin, 1711; Preb. of Donadea, Dio. of Kildare, 1737; Preb. of Killamery, Dio. of Ossory 1738; & Rector of Carrick-on-Suir; he was godfather to Sir Hercules Langrishe, Bt. to whom he presented a fine Silver Cup, inherited by the latter's grandson Rev<sup>d</sup> Frank St George, Rector of Shandon-in-Cork; he *d* unmd., 28 Nov. 1753, aged 68 and was buried in St Mary's, Kilkenny; there is a floor slab to his memory (with a coat of arms) in St Canice's Cath<sup>l</sup> Kilkenny; (5) Markes, *b* 19 Nov., 1686, Clerk in the City Hall, Dublin, *d* Sept. 1612, buried 19<sup>th</sup> of same at St Audoen's, in St Ann's Aisle. Samuel Desminieres *d* 13 Nov., 1690, *bur.* 14<sup>th</sup> Nov. at St Audoen's, where his gravestone still remains.

II. Daniel, *d* 1655. III. Jonathan, probably father of Jonathan Desminieres who in 1744 is mentioned in a Deed as m<sup>d</sup>. to a sister of Rev<sup>d</sup> Marlborough Green of Murwood, Co Galway. IV. George *d* young. V. Mark, *bapt.* 14 Feb. 166½ at St Audoen's, *matric.* T. C. D., 1679; *bur.* St Audoen's, 2 Feb. 168½. 1. Susan *b* July 1651; *m* 24 Sept., 1667,

William Watts, Alderman of Dublin, who *d* April 1701 & was *bur.* 12<sup>th</sup> of same at S<sup>t</sup> Audoen's, in S<sup>t</sup> Anne's Aisle, leaving with other issue, a son, Charles—2. Elizabeth, *bapt.* 30 May 1665 at S<sup>t</sup> Audoen's; *m* (1st) Charles Forster, of Dublin, Attorney-at-law, 4 Sept. 1673, issue Richard & Jane, she *m* (2ndly) Major Roger Moore—3. Jane, *bapt.* 25 Dec<sup>r</sup> 1653; *m* 8 May 1687, James Somerville, attorney, & was *bur.* S<sup>t</sup> Audoen's, 24 Aug<sup>t</sup> 1697. 4. A dr m<sup>d</sup> Mr. Doolittle in the country.

Alderman John Desminieres died 22 Sept<sup>r</sup> 1695 and was buried at S<sup>t</sup> Audeon's, on the 24<sup>th</sup> of the same month. His widow Jane Knox died 15<sup>th</sup> March and was buried, 17 March 1713.

LEWIS DESMINIERES, younger brother to the above-mentioned John and 4<sup>th</sup> son of Robert Desminieres (see above) born at Amersfoort in the province of Utrecht, on 19 Feb. 162 $\frac{1}{2}$ , made a free denizen of Ireland 11 Dec<sup>r</sup> 1665; and freeman and Alderman of Dublin, 1649. He was an extensive brewer in Cook Street, Dublin, was Lord Mayor in 1669, in which year he contributed £20 to the building of the Blue Coat Hospital and also two lots of ground.

Lewis Desminieres *m* (1st) 1648, Elizabeth Hill and had issue by her, who died, and was buried at S<sup>t</sup> Audeon's, 23 Jan. 1679-1680, as follows: I. Peter, *bapt.* at S<sup>t</sup> Audoen's, 8<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1653, *m* Anne — by whom he had issue; (1) Anne, *bapt.* at S<sup>t</sup> Audoen's, 6<sup>th</sup> Feb 168 $\frac{1}{2}$ , *d.* & was *bur.* 22 April 1686; (2) a *dau.* *bur.* at S<sup>t</sup> Audoen's, 15 April, 1689; (3) John, *bapt.* at S<sup>t</sup> Audoen's 11 June, 1691; (4) Lewis, *bapt.* April 21, 1691, *bur.* at S<sup>t</sup> Audoen's, 27 April, 1692. Another son was Peter Desminieres, gent of Crooked Staff, Dublin, 1714-1723, *bur.* S<sup>t</sup> Andrew's Nov. 18, 1723, whose wife Mary Wilkinson in 1727 m<sup>d</sup> 2<sup>naly</sup> Mr. Matty. Peter Desminieres & Mary his wife had issue, Mary, *bapt.* S<sup>t</sup> Cath. Dublin 1718; Ann, *bapt.* 1720 at S<sup>t</sup> Andrew's; Sarah *bapt.* Oct 2, 1723, at S<sup>t</sup> Andrew's, *bur.* Dec 25, 1723.

Peter Desminieres, son of Lewis, *d* 1692 & was *bur.* at S<sup>t</sup> Audoen's 15 August same year, w. pr. 1692.

II. Benjamin, alias Benedict, freeman of Dublin, 1670; *m* Mary — & had issue: (1) Lewis, *bapt.* S<sup>t</sup> Audoen's, 7 Jan, *d* young, 1690. (2) Tristram, *bapt.* S<sup>t</sup> Audoen's, 21 May, 1692; (3) Lewis, *bapt.* at S<sup>t</sup> Audoen's 23 Aug., 1693; (4) Elizabeth, *bapt.* at S<sup>t</sup> Audoen's, 20 Oct, 1690, *bur.* Feb 17, 174 $\frac{1}{2}$  at S<sup>t</sup> Paul's, Dublin; (5) Dorothy, *m* Mr. Sheil & was alive in 1742.

The will of Mary Desminieres, widow, who had fled from Ireland to Chester 1688, was proved 11 May, 1738 by her son Lewis, who was alive in 1742.

Benjamin, named in his father's will, 1689, as Legatee to his brother Peter (1692) died before 1700.

III. Robert, *bapt.* at St Audoen's, 2 Oct. 1660. IV. Andrew, *bapt.* at St Audoen's, 25 Decr 1661.

V. John *bapt.* at St Audoen's, 18 June, 1674, proved his father's will, as only son (surviving), 1700; matric. T. C. D. 1692, was probably the Ensign John D. of Mitchelburne's Regt "broke" in 1698, and husband of Eliz<sup>th</sup> Desminieres who died 1725 & who mentions her four children (1) Judith Peisley, (2) Elizabeth, wife of Henry Coursey Jun<sup>r</sup> of Maryland in America by whom she had four children bapt. St Nicholas, (Within) viz: Mary, 1693; Eliz<sup>th</sup> 1694; Henry, 1695; Otho, 1697—(3) M<sup>rs</sup> Podmore (4) M<sup>rs</sup> Sale.

VI. Lodewick, *bur.* at St Audoen's, 20th Decr 1676.

1. Judith, *bapt.* St Audoen's 16 Sept 1652; gr. freedom of Dublin, 1670; *m.* Alderman George Blackhall of Chapelizod, Esq. Con. Lic. 9 Sept, 1672. He died before her 1701 & was *bur.* in St Peter's Xchyard, Dub., leaving issue: (1) Thomond Blackhall, Esq. of Littlerath, Co. Kildare, *d.* 1715, leaving issue Sir Thomas Blackhall, Lord Mayor of Dublin & Eleanor wife of Henry Ball; (2) George, *d.* 1733; (3) Lewis, *d.* 1716; (4) Marcks Henry; (1) Sarah, (2) Elinor, (3) Catherine.

2. Elizabeth, *bapt.* at St Audoen's, 30 May 1656; freedom of Dublin, 1670. She married at St Audoen's, 28 Jan., 167 $\frac{1}{2}$ , Capt James Cottingham, son of Rev<sup>d</sup> George Cottingham, F.T.C.D., Rector of Monaghan, and had issue from whom are descended many Irish families.

3. Anne, *bapt.* at St Audoen's 25 Decr 1661; *md.* Capt. Charles Reniez of Dublin, & died 31 Decr 1702, buried at Clonfert Cathedral, where a Latin inscription commemorates her virtues.

4. Hester or Esther, *bapt.* at St Audoen's, 13 Sept, 1663; *m.*, 1684 at St Audoen's, Mr. Charles Eastwood, mcht, who *d.* 1699, *bur.* St Audoen's, leaving issue George, and John Abraham, & four drs, Mary, Elizabeth, Sarah, and Ann.

5. Sarah, *bapt.* St Audoen's, 3 June 1665; *m.* James Shirley, gt. of Dublin, 1700.

6. Margaret, *bapt.* April 15, 1668.

7. Susanna, living in 1689. 8. Katherine, *bapt.* St Audoen's, 22 Sept, 1670 *bur.* there, 1 April 1672. 9. Mary, *bapt.* St Audoen's, 30 July, 1672, living 1689.

LEWIS DESMINIERES *m.* (2ndly) Cordelia Morley, *bur.* St Audoen's 20 Feb. 169 $\frac{1}{2}$ . He died 16 $\frac{3}{4}$  & was *bur.* at St Audoen's 16 March.

*Arms of Desminieres* on stone at St Canice's Cathedral, Kilkenny—Shield charged with 3 fleurs de lis, 2 mullets in chief and a pine apple in base. *Crest*—A Mermaid crined holding a mirror in right hand and comb in left. *Motto*—Nee electus nec dejectus.

The following names, unattached also are found in an old Brit. Mus.

Pedigree there: (1) William; (2) James *d* young, and 3 others, Parents' names not given. Also in St Cath. Register's, Dublin; Eliz<sup>th</sup> bur. 3 April 1698; Mary bur. 11 July 1697—1731, con. tic. James D. & Eliz<sup>th</sup> Waller, M.R. Anne D & John Blair at St Werburgh's July 3, 1719.

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The Pedigree of the Balls of Chudleigh & Mamhead, Co.  
Devon, from the Visitations of Co. Devon, 1584-1620.

With additions by the late Col. Vivian, from the Chudleigh & Mamhead Registers, &c., and notes by present writer.

Arms: Arg. on a chev. sa. betw. 3 fire balls ppr. a martlett or, for difference. Crest: An arm erect, in the hand a fire ball ppr.

NICHOLAS BALL OF CHUDLEIGH, CO. DEVON, (born c 1450) and said to have been of Ball Hayes in psh of Axminster, m<sup>d</sup> Marion — and had issue:—

JOHN BALL OF NORWOOD & HACCOMB, (born c 1470) m<sup>d</sup> — c 1492, and had issue, 1. John Ball Sen<sup>r</sup> of Norwood, (born c 1493) m<sup>d</sup> Florence — c 1514, and had issue—I. Richard Ball of Northwood, overseer of his brother's will, d.s.p. bur. 27 July 1609, at Chudleigh. 2. John Ball, d.s.p. bur. 15 Nov<sup>r</sup> 1568 at Chudleigh. 3. Bennett Ball of Norwood, bur. 17 Dec. 1605 at Chudleigh, Will pr. 4 Jan 1605-6 in Archd. Court of Totnes, m<sup>d</sup> Agnes d. of —, bur. 10 Apl. 1591. 4. Robert Ball, of Combeinteignhead, overseer of his brother's will. 5. William Ball of Combeinteignhead, overseer of his brother's will. Of these No. 3 Bennett Ball by Agnes his wife had issue (1) Bennett Ball now living 1620, Exor of his father's will, m<sup>d</sup> — and had issue [1] William Ball son & heir, living 1620. [2] Bennett Ball, m<sup>d</sup> Margaret, dr of — Warren, mar. 9 Aug<sup>t</sup> 1592, bur. 18 Oct. 1624 at Chudleigh.

II. JOHN BALL JUN<sup>r</sup> of MAMHEAD, in Co., DEVON, (born c 1494) bur. 23 Nov<sup>r</sup> 1570 at Mamhead, m<sup>d</sup> Johanna, dr. and heir of her mother Alice dr of Christopher Peverell by her husband Nicholas Whitehalse of Chudley; bur. 26 Feb. 1575-6 at Mamhead, and by her had issue—I. Giles Ball, eldest son and heir, died 1<sup>st</sup>, bur. 3<sup>rd</sup> May 1595 at Mamhead m<sup>d</sup> Thomasine, dr and heir of Master Potter of Christow, bur. 24 Jan. 1590-1 at Mamhead, and by her had issue (1) Peter Balle of Mamhead, d. 13<sup>th</sup>, bur. 15<sup>th</sup> April, 1603 at Mamhead, Will 12 April, pro. 1 July 1603, (p.c.c. Bolien 57), m<sup>d</sup> Thomasine dr and heir of Andrew Bridges of Nimet Roland, and had issue—[1] Giles Ball of Mamhead in the hundred of Exminster, bap. 14 May 1573 at Mamhead, sole Exor of his father's will, m<sup>d</sup> Urith, dr. of Humphrey Copleston of Huton in Co. Devon, mar. 26 May, 1596, bur. 28 Mch 1644 at Mamhead, and by her had issue—1a Sir Peter Ball son & heir, bap. 24 Dec<sup>r</sup> 1598 at Mamhead, of the Mid.



Temple, aged 21, 1620, Attorney to the Queen, Recorder of Exeter, Knighted at Oxford 7 Oct, 1642, rendered upon the Articles of Exeter, and fined £120 Composition for his lands, bur. 4 Sept. 1680 at Mamhead, m<sup>d</sup> Ann, dr of Sir W<sup>m</sup> Cooke of Glostershire, Kt. and by her had issue 16 children—Firstly, William Ball, son & heir, to whom a legacy was left by his brother Charles to redeem the family estates &c., living 1687, died before 1722, admon grted to Jacob Cliffe, 22 June 1722, p.c.c. (Degg 208), m<sup>d</sup> Mary Posthuma, dr of Thomas Hussey of Hannington, Co. Lincoln, Bart, mar 10 July 1668 at S<sup>t</sup> Paul's Covent Garden, bur. 8 Feb. 1725 at Mamhead, and by him had issue, 5 sons & 1 dr; William Ball, eld. son, born 29 May, bap. 10 June 1669, at S<sup>t</sup> Martins in the Fields, named in the will of his uncle Charles, living 1687, d.s.p.; Peter Ball 2<sup>nd</sup> son, born 9<sup>th</sup>, bap. 28<sup>th</sup> July 1670, bur. 16 Nov<sup>r</sup> 1692 at Mamhead; Thomas Ball, 3<sup>rd</sup> son, born 26, bap. 28 June 1671 named in his Uncle Chas' Will, bur. 11 June 1749 at Mamhead, "the last of his family"; Giles Ball, 4<sup>th</sup> son, born 10 May, bap. 1 June 1676, bur. 14 Feb. 1682-3 at Mamhead; Charles Ball, 5<sup>th</sup> son, born 3, bap. 17 July 1679 at Mamhead, d.s.p.—; Rhoda, born 10 May, bap. 1 June, bur. 3 July, 1676 at Mamhead.

SIR PETER BALL had secondly, Peter Ball, bap. S<sup>t</sup> Martin's, Exeter, 6 Nov<sup>r</sup> 1631, bur. 12 Nov<sup>r</sup> 1631; 3<sup>rd</sup>ly, Goring Ball, a counsellor-at-law; 4<sup>th</sup>ly, Peter Ball, 4<sup>th</sup> son, born 1639, Student Leyden, M.D., Padua 1660, Hon. F. Coll. Phys. 1664, F.R.S., buried in the Temple; 5<sup>th</sup>ly, Robert Ball, a merchant of Leghorn, Exor of his brother's will; 6<sup>th</sup>ly, Giles Ball, a merchant at Geneva, Exor of his brs' Will; 7<sup>th</sup>ly, John Ball a merchant at Aleppo, died at Jamaica in the West Indies; Charles Ball, 8<sup>th</sup> son, a mcht at Messina, returned to England & lived at Turnham Green, Will 8 Sept 1687, pr. 11 Dec. 1703, Admon "de bonis non" granted 22 June 1732 to Jacob Cliffe, p.c.c. (Degg 208); Amos Ball, 9<sup>th</sup> son, a mcht at Calais, died at Naples; Radigan, eld. dr. m<sup>d</sup> Nicholas Cooke, d. 10, bur. 12 July 1671 at Mamhead; Lucy 2<sup>nd</sup> dr. m<sup>d</sup> Thomas Peek, of Norfolk; Ann, 3<sup>rd</sup> dr. m<sup>d</sup> John Milner of Middlesex; Dorothy 4<sup>th</sup> dr.; Eliz<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> dr. named in the will of her br. Charles, living 1687; Dorothy 6<sup>th</sup> dr; Joyce, 7<sup>th</sup> dr. named in the will of her br. Chas. living 1687; Henrietta Maria, 8<sup>th</sup> dr. bap. 22 July 1654 at Mamhead, named in the will of her br. Chas. living 1687.

We now turn back to Giles and Urith Ball of Mamhead, the parents of Sir Peter: They had 2<sup>nd</sup>ly, Giles Ball, d. y.; 3<sup>rd</sup>ly Giles Ball, bap. 25 July 1606, bur. 14 Feb. 1682-3 at Mamhead, and 4 drs. Elizabeth, Elianor; Urith; Thomazin.

Peter Ball of Mamhead, (grandfather of Sir Peter) and his wife Thomasine Bridges had issue further, Robert, d. y.; John, d. y.; Joane, d. y.; Thomasine bap. 7 Aug. 1575 m<sup>d</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Atwill of Lison in psh

of Kenton; Joane bap. 10 July 1586, m<sup>d</sup> 20 Jan. 1603-4 to Henry Chappell of Exeter, m<sup>d</sup> 2ndly Luke Taylor of Exeter.

Giles Ball Sen<sup>r</sup> of Mamhead who d. 1595, and his wife Thomasine Potter had likewise (2) George Ball of Chudleigh, bap. 30 Mar. 1557, bur. 5 July 1577 w. pr. Exeter. (3) John d. y. (4) Katherine m<sup>d</sup> Robert Tripe, (5) Margery m<sup>d</sup> George Waltham 1581. (6) Joane, bap. 1561, m<sup>d</sup> John Wollacott.

JOHN BALL JUN<sup>r</sup> of MAMHEAD and his wife Johanna Whitehalse had issue; 2. William Ball of Harkcomb in Chudley, bur. 19 April 1597 at Chudleigh. 3. Christian, m<sup>d</sup> 20 Sept. 1566 at Mamhead to George Martyn. 3. Julian, mar. 4 Nov<sup>r</sup> 1571 at Mamhead to W<sup>m</sup> Topper. Of these, William Ball of Harkcomb m<sup>d</sup> — and had issue, Humphry Ball who m<sup>d</sup> Ellinor, dr. of — Hooper, 4 Nov<sup>r</sup> 1576, she was bur. 5 June 1593 at Chudleigh, by her he had issue (1) Thomas Ball, bap. 7 July 1583 at Chudley, died 1623, m<sup>d</sup> Joane — & had issue [1] Thomas Ball bap. 7 July 1583 at Chudley, m<sup>d</sup> — and had issue, with three drs. Ann, bap. 1611; Ellen, bap. 1613; Martha, bap. 1616, also three sons, Humphrey, bap. 1609 at Chudleigh, possibly emigrated to W. Indies; Robert, bap. 1617; Francis bap. 1620. (2) Humphrey Ball of Harcomb, bur. 1633. w. pr. 25 Oct. 1633, m<sup>d</sup> Sabine, dr. of Nicholas Bennet, mar. 4 June 1604, Extrix of her husband's will, bur. 11 Feb. 1640, Chudleigh, w. pr. 26 Feb. 1641 at Totnes, and by her had issue, Humphrey, m<sup>d</sup> Joane — and had issue; W<sup>m</sup>; Peter; John m<sup>d</sup> Katherine — & had issue; Elizth bap. 1605, m<sup>d</sup> Nicholas Drewe. (3) Richard Ball of Hennock, bap. 1586, m<sup>d</sup> Florence, dr. of Nicholas Bennett and had issue. (4) Jone, bap. 24 Aug. bur. 11 Sept. 1577.

William Ball of Harkcomb had issue 2ndly, Hugh Ball of Bulliton; 3rdly, GILES BALL of BAMPTON, (1526) m<sup>d</sup> Ann Bamford 1596 and had issue, Hugh of London, W<sup>m</sup> m<sup>d</sup> Mary Wood of King's Brumpton 1617; John; George; also some drs. Giles Ball m<sup>d</sup> three times.

We now return to Nicholas Ball, Sen<sup>r</sup> of Haccomb, 3<sup>rd</sup> son of John Ball of Norwood & Haccomb, III. Nicholas Ball Sen<sup>r</sup> born c 1495, w. pr. 1564, m<sup>d</sup> c 1518, and had issue, 1. Thomas Ball of Southwood, a trustee of his brother's will, *about 100 years old* 1620, m<sup>d</sup> and had issue John Ball of Southwood, s. & h.

2. Christopher Ball of Gidley, Tanner, will pr. 20 May 1580 (P.C.C. Arundell 18).

IV. Nicholas Ball Jun<sup>r</sup> brother of Nicholas, Sen<sup>r</sup> and of the Bridge in the psh. of Chudleigh, born c 1496, m<sup>d</sup> — and had issue, 1. John Ball of Bridgland, bur. 12 March 1604, at Chudleigh, will pr. 19 June 1604 (P.C.C. Hart 14) m<sup>d</sup> Jone dr of John Pinsent, 31 Jan. 1574, at Chudleigh, sole extrix of husband's will, w. pr. 24 July 1617 (66 Weldon). They

had issue Ellen, bap. 14 March 1575-8, m<sup>d</sup> 16 Decr 1593 at Chudleigh to Anthony Stawell, of Chudleigh, and had issue Jonas of Coolmain, Co. Cork — 2. Nicholas Ball of Chudleigh, m<sup>d</sup> — & had issue, Giles Ball, s. and h., d. 1615, m<sup>1</sup> Nicholla dr. of — Geale, 27 April 1600, at Chudleigh, and had issue, Joane, m<sup>d</sup> Thomas Gould of Chudleigh.

3. Giles Ball, living 1604, m<sup>d</sup> — & had issue Mary, mar. 1 Dec. 1600 to John Geare upon whom her uncle John settled lands at Chagford. 4. Katherine, m<sup>d</sup> — Gotobed.

V. Christopher Ball, fifth son of John of Norwood, & servant to the Lady Courtenay, bur. 1558 at Chudleigh, m<sup>d</sup> — and had Nicholas Ball, a mcht. at Totnes, d.s.p.

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Pedigree of the Family of BALL of Tussingham in the parish of Malpas, Cheshire; of Boughton, and of Irby near Chester,

#### AUTHORITIES.

This pedigree is founded on the evidences of Randall Holme, 1648, Parish Registers of St Oswald's, Chester, Gresford, & Woodchurch, Chester Wills &c., & Harleian MS, 2163, and Pedigrees in the Reliquary Vol XI p. 33 and in the new Edition of Ormerod's Cheshire.

WILLIAM BALL, the son of Richard Balle or De Belleau of Tussingham who lived in reign of Henry III, had a son Richard Ball of Tussingham, d. in 9 Edw. i, 1280, having m<sup>d</sup> Gwenlyan, dr of W<sup>m</sup> de Constantine, Lord of Tussingham, 9 Edw. i, a widow 8 Edw. ii. The first Richard was probably son of Philip Balle of Farndon, who it is believed, held part of that Manor. Their son William Ball of T'ham 10 Edw. II. 2 Edw. III, grantee of his mother, married Elianor dr of William Stockton of Chester; she was a widow 2 Edw. 3, and 18 Edw. 3, living in 1366. Their son David Ball of T'ham, 18, 22 & 31 Edw. III. m<sup>d</sup> Christian, dr of —, living 2 Richard II.

A 2<sup>nd</sup> son Philip m<sup>d</sup> and had an only child, Alice, m<sup>d</sup> to Rich<sup>d</sup> de Eaton 12 Rich<sup>d</sup> II 1389 by whom she had with others, John de Eaton, ancestor of the Grosvenors.

A 3<sup>rd</sup> son John Ball of the County of Flint m<sup>d</sup> Alice dr of W<sup>m</sup>, son of W<sup>m</sup> de Gerard 18 Edw. II, and had issue Robert Ball of Co Flint; a 4<sup>th</sup> son, was Richard.

David Ball, eldest son of William of T'ham by Christian his wife had issue. 1. Richard. 2. W<sup>m</sup> Ball of Middlewich, 16 Rich. II, m<sup>d</sup> & had issue Thos. & W<sup>m</sup>, Bailiffs of Middlewich, 1409.

Richard Ball, the eldest son of David, 8 Rich. II, m<sup>d</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> of the same Margery, dr of Sir Hugh de Browe, Knt; she was a widowe 8 Henry IV. 1407. They had issue John Ball, who died in his father's life time, leaving by Gwenlyan his wife:—

A son, Richard Ball of T'ham lived in the reign of Henry IV, m<sup>d</sup> Magdalen, dr of John Dod of Edge, and had issue, William Ball of T'ham, 24 Henry IV, m<sup>a</sup> & had issue, first, Thomas Ball of T'ham, m<sup>d</sup> & had issue Thomas Ball Jun<sup>r</sup> of T'ham, 10 Edw. IV. ; secondly, Henry (or Humphrey) Ball of Chester City, Sheriff 1468, m<sup>d</sup> Lucy, d & coh. of Richard Norreys, 3<sup>rd</sup> son of Sir William Norreys of Speke, Co. Lanc. and had issue, William Ball of Greenhall, Co. Chester, Sheriff 1502, m<sup>d</sup> Margaret, d & coh. of Lilley of the City of Chester, from whom descended Capt. W<sup>m</sup> Ball, the Royalist Officer, whose son Edward of London changed his coat of arms.

Thomas Ball Jun<sup>r</sup> of T'ham by his wife had issue first, Ralph Ball of T'ham, 8 Henry VII (1493) d.s.p. ; no descendant in Vis<sup>a</sup> of 1634, secondly, Thomas Ball of Irby, in the psh of Woodchurch, who held lands at Boughton, near Chester, from the Abbot of Chester.

Thomas Ball of Irby had issue 1. John Ball, a priest, m<sup>d</sup> & had 1. George Ball, who continued the line of Irby. 2. Thos. of Bickley, 1570. 3. — Ball of Tattenhall, 1570.

II. Richard Ball, a monk at Norton Priory, who at the dissolution of that house, came to Boughton, where he died shortly after.

III. Thomas Ball of Boughton, held lands there under the Abbot of Chester, died circ. 1523.

IV. W<sup>m</sup> Ball held lands at Irby under the Abbot of Chester, his son John had Ellen born 1580, only dr who m<sup>d</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Ball of Irby.

V. Robert Ball held lands at Aston, Co. Stafford under the Abbot of Chester.

GEORGE BALL, eldest son of John of Irby, lived to the age of 74 ; he m<sup>d</sup> Eliz<sup>th</sup> dr of Richard Harrison of Gresby & had issue. 1. William Ball, whose line follows. 2. Richard Ball who settled at Scallanstown, Co. Meath, Ireland, before 1641, was plundered by the Irish Rebels, died 1652, m<sup>d</sup> Eliz<sup>th</sup> dr of Coolton of Spittle in Wyrell & had issue, Thomas p<sup>d</sup> Subsidy for goods, 10/- 1662, in Co. Meath, took gr. Admon to his father's goods ; Elizabeth. 3. John Ball of Chester, one of Vernon's Almsmen, aged 74. In 1648 he m<sup>d</sup> Ellen, dr of Richard Tenion of Dunham-on-the Hill and had issue, W<sup>m</sup> Ball said in Vis<sup>a</sup> to have been ancestor of the Virginian Balls, but this is doubtful ; Joseph ; Hannah m<sup>d</sup> David Fox. 4. Richard Ball of Chester m<sup>d</sup> Joan Westby & had issue Eliz<sup>th</sup> and James.

George Ball of Irby's eldest son WILLIAM, who disclaimed his right to bear arms at the Vis<sup>a</sup> of 1613 m<sup>d</sup> his 2<sup>nd</sup> cousin Ellen, dr of John Ball of Irby, and had I. George who succeeded him. II. Thomas of Chester, brewer m<sup>d</sup> — dr of Henry Darwall, glover. III. Robert Ball of Liverpool and Irby. IV. Richard Ball of Chester. 1. Ellen Ball m<sup>d</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Robert Ratin. 2<sup>nd</sup> George Eaton. 2. Jane Ball m<sup>d</sup> Robert Comerton of Chester.

W<sup>m</sup> Ball's eldest son, George m<sup>d</sup> Alice dr of George Totty of Irby & had issue, 1. W<sup>m</sup> Ball who follows. 2. John Ball of Irby m<sup>d</sup> Mary, dr of Robert Lockis of the key house in Neston. 3. Richard Ball, soldier, m<sup>d</sup> Joane & had a dr Joane. 4. Ellen m<sup>d</sup> J. Wilkinson. 5. Eliz<sup>th</sup> m<sup>d</sup> J. Lassells. 6. Margery m<sup>d</sup> Robert Wilkinson.

The eldest son, W<sup>m</sup> Ball of Irby, born 1627 m<sup>d</sup> — dr of Langford of Travellin and had issue 1. George. 2. William.

George, the eldest son, born 1651, m<sup>d</sup> Mary dr of Robert Lenard Esq of Tarvin, (she died 1680 aged 40) and had by her 5 sons and 1 dr, of whom three survived her. (1) George Ball born 1677 (2) Dorothy Ball.

George, above-mentioned m<sup>d</sup> — and had George Ball born 1723 and died 1 Feb. 1777, aged 54, at Irby; he m<sup>d</sup> and had issue with Catherine who died 1787 aged 29, John who m<sup>d</sup> Lucy dr of Capt. John Stringer R.N., and had issue, with Nicholas, an officer drowned at Halifax N.S. an elder son —.

Henry Lidgbird Ball, Admiral of the Fleet, of Irby Hall, m<sup>d</sup> Georgina Jane, dr of General Johnson, of Kington, Surrey & d.s.p. 1827 when this branch became extinct.

We now return to the Junior Branch, viz: the Ball family of Boughton

THOMAS BALL of Boughton Manor, Chester, 3<sup>rd</sup> son of Thos Ball of Irby, by his wife Cicely dr of Joseph Craven had issue, I. Thomas Ball Esq of Boughton 1<sup>st</sup> son and heir, thrice married, died 1585 and was buried 12 Feb. in Old St Oswald's Church, in Chester Cathedral. II. Richard Ball of Boughton, gent 2<sup>nd</sup> son married and had issue. III. John Ball, buried in St Oswald's in the Cath<sup>l</sup> of Chester, 30 Jan. 1589. IV. William Ball, of the City of Chester, gent, 4<sup>th</sup> son, Mayor for many years, an Alderman of Chester, m<sup>d</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Jane Butler, m<sup>d</sup> 2<sup>ndly</sup> when nearly 80 Agnes Davis. By his 1<sup>st</sup> wife he had issue, with 4 drs, Margaret, Alice, Eliz<sup>th</sup> and Mary, a son John, who m<sup>d</sup> Eliz<sup>th</sup> dr of Richard Lathom and had 3 sons viz: William of Chester, m<sup>d</sup> Sarah Chaloner; Edward; Robert. By his 2<sup>nd</sup> wife, Alderman W<sup>m</sup> Ball had issue Thomas and William.

Thomas Ball of Boughton, Esq. the eldest son of Thos (and Cicely) who died 1585, by his 1<sup>st</sup> wife Margaret — who was buried Feb. 3, 1589, had a dr Mary buried in the Cathedral 27 Jan. 1589; by his 2<sup>nd</sup> wife Eliz<sup>th</sup> sole dr & h. of Will. Harvey of Boughton, gent, had issue, with 3 drs, one son.

Thomas Ball of Boughton Esq. died 1603, w. pr. Chester 1605, buried in the Cath<sup>l</sup> Chester, who by his wife Jane, dau of Ralph Golbourne of Chester, Esq., who died 1615 (w. pr. Chester), had issue with 3 drs, first Thomas Ball of Boughton Esq., bapt. Cath<sup>l</sup> 10 Oct. 1582, m<sup>d</sup> — and had issue, with Ales bap. 1610; Jane bap. 1611; Kath. bap.

1613; Eliz<sup>th</sup> bap. 1617; Mary bap. 1622, a son Thomas Ball bap. 20 March 1619 at the Cath<sup>l</sup> of Chester bur<sup>d</sup> Gresford March 7 1688, a Captain in the Parliamentary Army, and High Sheriff of Denbighshire, J.P. for that County, m<sup>d</sup> Margaret, dr of Robt. Santhey of Burton Hall, psh of Gresford Co. Denbigh who was buried at Gresford 28 Oct, 1680, and had issue 1. Thomas, bap. 1640, 15 October, d.s.p. 2. John d.s.p. 3. Nathaniel, d.s.p. 4. Jonathan, d.s.p. residing on a portion of the Denbighshire estate in 1714, at which time he had no issue and was over 60 years age, so must have been born shortly after 1750; there were 6 daughters, of whom four grew up; Elizabeth m<sup>d</sup> Capt. Samuel Santhey. Margaret was buried at Gresford 12 Jan. 1662. Sarah the eventual heiress m<sup>d</sup> Benjamin Smith, and had d & h. Marg<sup>t</sup> who m<sup>d</sup> Lawrence Wilson & had Eliz<sup>th</sup> who m<sup>d</sup> James Hurst. The Ball Estates finally came into the possession of the Lowe family of Notts.

Thomas Ball and his wife Jane Golborne had secondly John Ball bap. 1586, of the Court of Wards, m<sup>d</sup> Anne dr of Thos Ball of Chester, gent, and had issue Thos Ball living 1648, and Dorothy m<sup>d</sup> Sir Peter Peyton Knt. Thirdly WILLIAM OF IRELAND, m<sup>d</sup> & had issue, living 1648 (died 1658 at Enniskillen).

Returning to the Greenhall branch—WILLIAM BALL of GREENHALL, son of William Ball and Margaret Lilley, married Madelyn, dr of John Dod of Edge by whom he had issue—I. John. II. Richard. III. Thomas Ball of Chester, 9 Eliz. who by his wife Alice, had issue, 1. Nicholas who had 2 sons, Roger and Richard. 2. Rafe. 3. William of Greenhall, who by Jane, dr of Sir W<sup>m</sup> Norris, Knt. of Speke had issue: (1) William bap. 1582, ob, s. p. vita. patris. (2) Edward Ball of London, bap. 1585, who changed his coat of arms. (3) Martha, bap. 1583. (4) Christian, bap. 1589.

Arms of Balls of Greenhall, Arg. a Lion rampant sable holding in paw a fireball.

Arms of Ball of Boughton—Gules a leg in pale couped a la cuisse, the foot erased argent, pierced thro' the calf with a coultter of a plough of the last, the leg vulner, ppd. Both had the same crest, a cubit arm vested, gules, cuffed argent, grasping in the hand a fireball, issuing therefrom fire proper.

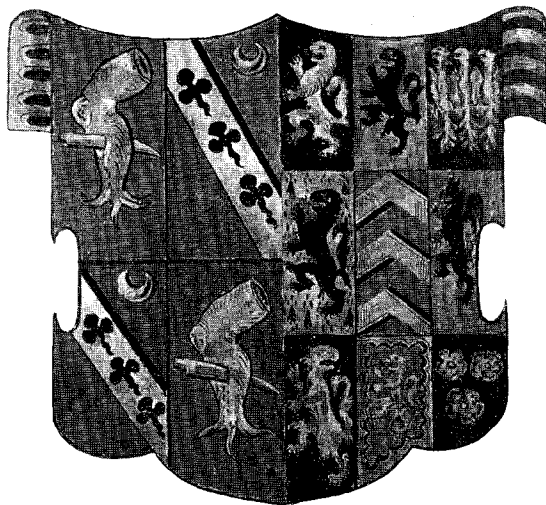
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Notes from Calendar, S.P.; Commission for Compounding:—

1649-50. Thos Ball, Commissioner for North Wales, and High Sheriff.

1651-2. Thomas Ball, Sheriff and County Commissioner for Wrexham, "N.W. will send account of 2 last years in 20 days, retarded by the Assizes."

"From the 1<sup>st</sup> Receipts 2000l. allowed to Captain Thos Ball & ors, who have had their houses burnt & estates kept from them for years by the enemy. Aug. 10 1649.



THE ARMS OF CAPT. THOMAS BALL,  
OF BOUGHTON, CHESTER, DIED 1668,  
IMPALING THOSE OF HIS WIFE, MARGARET SANHEY,  
HEIRESS OF BURTON, DENBIGHSHIRE.  
(From the Hatchment in Gresford Church, Denbighshire.)

*By favour of Rev. E. Fishburne, Rector of Gresford.]*





1651 March. Warrant from the House of Commons to Capt. Thos Ball for arrears, expenses and losses on Act for compounding, of North Wales. T. B's petition 27 Nov. 1650 referred to Sir W<sup>m</sup> Brereton."

Entries of Ball of Boughton & Greenhall in St Oswald's Registers, Chester, Baptisms, 10 Oct. 1582, Thos Baule; Dec<sup>r</sup> 31, W<sup>m</sup> Baule; Julie 3, 1583, Martha Baule, dr to W<sup>m</sup> B. gtman; 1585 Dec<sup>r</sup> 27, W<sup>m</sup> Baule son to M<sup>r</sup> Baule of Greenhall; 1586, 21 March, John Baule, son to Thos of Boughton; 1589, 12 Oct. Christian dr to W<sup>m</sup> Baule, gent.; 1590, 5 April, Jane, dr to Thos Baule of Boughton; 1610, Ales dr to Thos of Boughton, 25 April; 1611 Jane Ball dr to T. B. of Boughton 29 Dec<sup>r</sup>; Katherine dr to Thos Ball, 21 Aug. 1613; Eliz<sup>th</sup> dr to Thos Ball of B. 18 May; Thos Baule, son of T. B. 20 Mar. 1618; Mary, dr of M<sup>r</sup> Thos Baule, 30 June 1622. 1640, 15 Oct. Thos son of Thos Ball of Boughton; 1644, Ann dr of John Ball, 20 April; 1645, Marie dr of John Ball, 14 April.

Burials, 1584-5, Thomas Baule th' elder of Boughton, bur. 12 Feb;

1588-9, Margt. wife to Thos Ball of Boughton (younger) 3 Feb.

1589 Mary dr to Thos Ball of Boughton „ 27 Jan.

John Ball of Boughton, bro to Thos of B. „ 30 Jan.

1609 Ales Balle dr of Thos Ball of B. 19 Dec<sup>r</sup>

1613 Jane dr to Thos Ball 14 Dec<sup>r</sup>

1614-15 Widow Ball 11 Feb.

In Gresford Church is a hatchment, with the arms of Ball (quartered with another coat) impaled with Santhey, 9 quarterings—and an inscription as follows: "Here lyeth ye Body of Thos Ball of Burton Esq: who marr. Margaret dau to Robert Santhey of Burton, Esq: by whom he had issue 4 sons & 6 daughters whereof six survived him, viz: Nathaniell, Jonathan, Anne, Sarah, Jane & Elizabeth: he died ye 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, Ano. Dni. 1687-8 aged 68 years, buried March 7 1687-8."

Also in the Gresford Registers are recorded, burial of Marg<sup>t</sup> Ball 12 Jan, 1681-2; of M<sup>rs</sup> Margaret Ball 28<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1680; and of Thos Ball, as above. Robert Santhey m<sup>d</sup> Jane dr of Rich<sup>d</sup> Hall of Newton; he was her 2<sup>nd</sup> Husband; she m<sup>d</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup>ly John Ashton.

A Pedigree of the WRIGHT Family, formerly of Grennan and Foulksrath, Co. Kilkenny. Arms (in use before 1800) on a shield a chevron betw: 3 heads couped. Crest, A unicorn passant, regardant. Motto, Premium Virtutis Felicitas.

Stephen Wright, servant to Sir W<sup>m</sup> Calverley, Knt. will in Calverley Charters, 1499, left his lands in Chorlwell, psh of Batley to 4 trustees for six years for religious purposes and then to his right heirs. This Stephen was probably ancestor of a family at Bingley in which were Stephen

Wrights for 5 generations from 1577, when the Psh Registers begin. A Stephen Wright was living at Weardley in the parish of Harewood, and died 1676, w. pr. York same year. He had a son Stephen Wright who by his first wife Sarah had issue three sons 1. Richard, bapt. 17 March 1678. 2. W<sup>m</sup> bapt. July 25, 1680. 3. Thomas Wright, bapt. Feb. 1682-3. One of these, probably, went to Ireland about 1700 and settled under Sir Christopher Wandesforde, Bart. at Castlecomer, Co. Kilkenny.

The burning of the town of Castlecomer in 1798 by the rebels caused the loss of the Parish Registers, also of Earl Wandesforde's house, with all papers relating to the estates, and of the house in which all the Wright family Papers were preserved.

RICHARD WRIGHT gent. m<sup>d</sup> Anne dr of M<sup>r</sup> Smithson, of Morton Hall, near Leeds, and had issue Richard Wright, born 1705 at Castlecomer, died 1782, buried in Castlecomer Churchyard, lived at Lowan in that parish; he m<sup>d</sup> Mary born 1708 died 1724, dr of Thomas Wright of Castlecomer, and his wife Jane Shore, & sister of Stephen Wright, his cousin, and by her had issue an only child & son :—

THOMAS WRIGHT, gent. of Lowan, and afterwards of Grennan, near Durrow, born 1728, died 1786; m<sup>d</sup> Feb. 5 1756 at S<sup>t</sup> Andrew's Church, Dublin, by lic. Eleanor, born 1736, died 1809 (buried Castlecomer with her husband) youngest dr of D<sup>r</sup> Thomas Bell of Dublin and Athlone (born 1683, d. 1768) "Surgeon in Queen's Anne's Army" at Blenheim & all the great victories of Marlborough, by his wife & 1<sup>st</sup> cousin, Olivia, dr of John Neylan, and gr<sup>d</sup> dr of D<sup>r</sup> Daniel Neylan, Rector of S<sup>t</sup> Michan's Dublin, & Dean of Ossory. By her Thomas Wright had issue I. Richard Wright, gent. born Lowan, Dec<sup>r</sup> 1756, Cadet, East India Company's Madras Infantry 1780, Lieut. 1787, pensioned 1788, lived and died at Grennan, unmd. He died 1801 and was buried at Attanagh Churchyard, Co. Kilkenny.

II. Thomas Wright, Surgeon, Great Ship Str. Dublin, served as Surgeon's mate in the American Revolutionary War, 1779, served in Bengal, West Indies, and at Walcheren, M.D., T.C.D., M.R.I.A., Physician to the Forces 1811 by appointment of the Prince Regent, died at Carthage in Spain 19 Oct. 1812. Author of "the History of the Muscles"; "History of the Walcheren Fever," "Inaugural Latin Address to Med. Soc. T. C. D.," "Pamphlet on the Walcheren Fever, addressed to Parliament." m<sup>d</sup> Susan, dr of Major Arnott Squire, 61<sup>st</sup> Reg<sup>t</sup> and gr<sup>d</sup> dr of Capt. Robert Kelly, Barrackmaster & Town Major of Galway, by his wife Kath. Waldron and had issue—1. Thomas Wright, M.D. Great Ship Street, Dublin, Founder of the Dublin Mendicity Society, born 1785, d. 1850, m<sup>d</sup> Rebecca (1810) dr of Capt. George Nangle of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Buffs, & of Philipburgh, by his wife Hon. Dorothea Hamilton, dr of Fred<sup>k</sup> Lord

Boyne, and had issue (1) Dorothea, m<sup>d</sup> Richard Kelly, M.D. of Drogheda, by whom she had Elizabeth, m<sup>d</sup> Rev<sup>d</sup> Canon Thos Morgan M.A., Rector of Larne, & now of Carrigaline; John Bellew Kelly, Surgeon, of Drogheda; G. Newenham Kelly, C.E. (2) Susanna, d. y. (3) Emily, d. unmd. (4) Harry, d. y. (5) Rebecca, d. unmd. (6) Thos d. y. 2. Richard Wright, Solicitor, Dublin, m<sup>d</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> 1808, Frances Kelly; he m<sup>d</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Jane Minchin. By his 1<sup>st</sup> wife he had issue (1) Frances m<sup>d</sup> Alex<sup>r</sup> Lyon of Dublin, and had issue Dr Rich<sup>d</sup> N. Lyon of Dublin, with others; (2) Eliza, m<sup>d</sup> Rev<sup>d</sup> Thos Rambaut and had issue Thomas of New York 3. John Waldron Wright, born 1787, died in London 1850, buried in Old S<sup>t</sup> Pancras, mahogany merchant at Belize, and J.P. of British Honduras, "where his eminent and valuable public services in 1828 obtained the marked approbation of the legislative assembly" of the Colony. He m<sup>d</sup> Anne dr of Capt. John Young of Belize, born 1796, died 1843, and by her had issue. one son, John Wright dec<sup>d</sup> who m<sup>d</sup> Miss Brady, of Raheen, Co. Clare, by whom he had issue: John, now in N.Z. After his death she m<sup>d</sup> 2<sup>ndly</sup> Gerald Beere and lives at Auckland N.Z.

John Waldron Wright had also four daughters, Susanna m<sup>d</sup> her cousin Roderick Gray, County Surveyor of Fermanagh, and by him had issue 4 sons and 4 drs; Maria m<sup>d</sup> Rev<sup>n</sup> John Robinson; Catherine m<sup>d</sup> Richard Westby and had issue 2 sons, John & Cuthbert, & 2 drs, of whom Edith m<sup>d</sup> Sir J. Chas Day, late Judge of the High Court; Helen, d. 1890, m<sup>d</sup> Rev<sup>d</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Eustace, Rector of Stradbally, Queen's Co. & had issue, (1.) Rev<sup>d</sup> W. F. Eustace, Rector of Bishop's Lydiard, (2) John Eustace, & 2 drs.

4. Rev<sup>d</sup> George Newenham Wright, born 1794 in London, died 1880, sch. T.C.D. 1812 B.A. 1814, M.A. 1817; Head Master of Proprietary School, Rutland Sq. Dublin, M.R.I.A., went to Wales in 1826, grad. Brazenose Coll. Oxon, a voluminous and able writer. Among his works are "Scenes in Ireland," "Ireland illustrated," "Historic Guide to Dublin," "Guides to Killarney, Co. Wicklow, Giant's Causeway, &c." m<sup>d</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 20, 1817 at S<sup>t</sup> Thomas', Dublin, Charlotte dr of Robert Mulock of Bath, & Aunt to Dinah Craik, als Mulock, authoress of "John Halifax, gentleman." and had issue by her, (1) Newenham Chas. dec<sup>d</sup> s.p. Solicitor, Bloomsbury Sq. London, m<sup>d</sup> Augusta Rickard of Liscard. (2) Robert, d. unmd. in the Crimean War. (3) John d. unmd. (4) Rev<sup>d</sup> Richard Wright Vicar of Gisburne Yorks. 1873, m<sup>d</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> 1855 Anne Maria, dec<sup>d</sup> dr., of Admiral Lord and had issue by her (a) Caroline, m<sup>d</sup> 1891 G. H. Cobb of Chigwell. (b) Rev<sup>d</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Henry Wright, born 1859, M.A. Keble Coll. Oxon, ordained Deacon 1906, Priest 1907, Curate of Thuxton, Norfolk, formerly Principal of Preparatory School, Watford; m<sup>d</sup> in Aug. 1904, Mary Beatrice Parker (née Baldwin) widow of Edw. Parker of Browsholme, Yorks. and dr of the late James Baldwin of Smithie's

Bridge, Gisburne, Yorks. Rev<sup>d</sup> Richard Wright m<sup>d</sup> 2ndly Anne Maria Gane of Trowbridge, Wilts. and has issue by her, 4 sons and three drs. viz: Edward, Arthur, Charles, Richard, and Annie m<sup>d</sup> Rev<sup>d</sup> Godfrey Hickey, V. S<sup>t</sup> Mark's, Dukinfield; Ethel; Beatrice m<sup>d</sup> 1907 Rev<sup>d</sup> A. E. Grimes, of Dukinfield, (5) Rev<sup>d</sup> William Wright, born 1828, M.A. Brazenose Coll. Oxon, 1854, Curate of Kensington, London, Rector of Sutton, Beds. m<sup>d</sup> Miss Frame, & dec<sup>d</sup> s.p. 1898; (6) Sophia m<sup>d</sup> Mr. Shipton; (7) Maria m<sup>d</sup> 1860 Arundel Spens, formerly L<sup>t</sup> Col. 3<sup>rd</sup> Bombay Light Cavalry, 5. Susan m<sup>d</sup> Gustavus Hamilton, grandson of Fred<sup>k</sup> Lord Boyne, and had issue, 6. Katherine Waldron, m<sup>d</sup> James Wilson of Carlow & Dublin; both dec<sup>d</sup> s.p.

THOMAS and ELEANOR Wright of Grennan had issue III. George Wright born 1758, R.N. killed in Lord Rodney's Victory at Martinique April 12, 1782, unmd. IV. Oliver Wright, of Grennan born 1759, died 1820, buried Attanagh; m<sup>d</sup> about 1786, Margaret Greaves, of Maryborough and had issue, 1. Margaret Greaves Wright, m<sup>d</sup> John Brandon & had issue, 2. W<sup>m</sup> Wright of Grennan, m<sup>d</sup> Matilda dr of George Lodge, 1814; he died 1816; 3. Bartholomew, of Armagh & Dublin, C.E. m<sup>d</sup> — and had issue, (1) Anne, (2) Bartholomew, of Nashville, Tennessee, m<sup>d</sup> & has issue Stephen Oliver Wright, and Jennie m<sup>d</sup> Dr Moore of Helena, Arkansas. 4. Thomas. 5. Stephen. 6. George. V. Olivia Wright, bapt. Sept. 14, 1760, m<sup>d</sup> Robert Wilson of Graigue, Carlow 28 Aug. 1780. VI. Stephen Bennet Wright, of Foulksrath Castle, Co. Kilkenny, born Oct. 16, 1764, died June 27, 1843, buried Castlecomer, w. pr. 1847, m<sup>d</sup> 1<sup>st</sup>, Dec<sup>r</sup> 26, 1789 at Borrisokane, Anne, dr of Rev<sup>d</sup> Meade Nisbett, M.A. Rector of Borrisokane, who was son of Dr James Nisbett, Surgeon of a Scots Reg<sup>t</sup> (one of the Nisbetts of Greenhills, Lanarkshire) and of Kinsale, by his wife Joanna, dr of Col. Robert Meade of Ballintubber, Co. Cork, who was grt. gndnephew to Edmund Spencer the Poet; Mrs. Wright died 1796. Stephen Wright m<sup>d</sup> 2ndly 1803, Isabella Wood, nee Hayes, widow, who died 1836. By his first wife he had issue. 1. Thomas Nisbett Wright, of Foulksrath Castle, born Sept. 29, 1790, died 13<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 1854, bur<sup>d</sup> Castlecomer; m<sup>d</sup> April 11, 1825 at S<sup>t</sup> Peter's, Dublin, Jemima, eldest dr of Robert Ball, Solicitor, of Digges Str. Dublin, born April 24, 1803, died April 13, 1869, and by her had issue, (1) Stephen Bennet Wright, born Jan. 25, 1826, an invalid since birth, unmd and of Ballaghmore, Roscrea. (2) Robert Ball Wright, born Jan<sup>r</sup> 17, 1827 died Dec<sup>r</sup> 15, 1889 in London, of Foulksrath, which he sold 1862, B.A. T.C.D., J.P. Co. Kilkenny, m<sup>d</sup> Jan. 1856 Jane, eldest dr of John Mosse of Ballyconra, Co. Kilkenny, born 1825, died at Chester 1890, and by her had issue, [1] John Mosse Wright, C.E., Capetown, born 1857, m<sup>d</sup> his cousin Nina, youngest dr of Capt. W. W. Ball of Capetown, s.p. [2] Thomas Nisbett Wright, born

1859, M.R.C.S.I. of Gloster, N.S.W. unm<sup>d</sup> [3] Robert Ball Wright, F.R.C.S.I. of Folliott House, Chester, born 1861, m<sup>d</sup> 1897, at St Martin's in the Fields, London, Dorothy, dr of Doctor Portus, Army Surgeon. [4] Jane Wright of Chester born 1862.

(3) John Wilson Wright, born Dec<sup>r</sup> 23, 1829, Jun<sup>r</sup> Mod<sup>r</sup> Ethics, 1853, B.A. T.C.D. Div. Test. Head Master Cloyne Dio. School, Mallow, 1857-79, now of Barnstaple, m<sup>d</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1858 in Dublin, Letitia, dr of John Douglas, Co. Louth; who died 1898, and by her had issue, [1] Thomas Howard Wright, B.A. Trin. Coll. Dub. Clerk in Prison Board Department Dublin Castle, born 6 March 1860, m<sup>d</sup> 1897, Margaret Ann dr of Robert Anderson, Comptroller, Dublin General Post Office. [2] Frances Buchanan Wright, B.A. with English Honours, London Univ. Principal of Barnstaple Ladies' School. [3] Douglas Wilson Wright, M.D. Durham L.R.C.S. & L.R.C.P. Edinburgh. L.F.P.S. Glasgow, born 7 Sept. 1864, of 229 Camden Road, London, m<sup>d</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> April 1896 Janet Blakeman of Ely, and has issue, Eileen Janet Buchanan, born 14 Aug. 1898; Howard Douglas Keble born 26 Oct. 1902. [4] Jemima Lucy, born 15 Aug. 1870, of Barnstaple Ladies' School. John Wilson Wright m<sup>d</sup> 2ndly Oct. 1907, Florence Ellen Hughes of Barnstaple.

(4) Thomas Wright, M.R.C.S.E. 1852, Brigade Surgeon in the Army, served in the Crimea, Indian Mutiny, Bhootan, Afghan War, 4 medals with clasps, born Kilkenny, Nov. 30, 1831, died July 1900, m<sup>d</sup> 1863 at Calcutta Cath<sup>l</sup> Margaret, eldest dr of John Mc Cheane of Southsea, who died July 2, 1907 and by her had issue—[1] Margaret Adela, born Meerut, 1864; [2] Thomas Nesbitt Wright, born 1865 at Subathoo, M.R.C.S.E. now of Bermondsey, m<sup>d</sup> Aug<sup>t</sup> 29, 1892, Miss Amy F. Bristowe of Greenwich, and has issue a dr. M. Kathleen N. [3] John Chas S. Wright, b. 1871, of Roland, Manitoba, m<sup>d</sup> Henrietta Rennels, of London, and has issue, Margaret and Denys. [4] Helen Mabel, born 1872, m<sup>d</sup> Nov. 4, 1907 L<sup>t</sup> Col. Edward Appelbe, C.B. Ordnance Department, and of the Grove, Cringleford, Norwich. [5] Lucy born 1872, twin sister to Helen, m<sup>d</sup> 1900 Charles Tunks, of the London Stock Exchange, and Sidcup & has issue, Charles Russell and Joan, twins, born 1908.

(5) Meade Nisbett Wright, born Nov<sup>r</sup> 1833 formerly of the Kilkenny Militia, went to Canada 1857, now of Thorndale, Ontario, m<sup>d</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 26, 1861, Ann dr of Robert Mc Cutcheon, of Thorndale & his wife Mary Caswall, who d. 1898, and has issue, [1] Mary Edith born 1862, m<sup>d</sup> 1897 T. Mc Conkey, dec<sup>d</sup>; [2] Jemima Jane, born 1863, m<sup>d</sup> 1892 — FitzSimons, of Thorndale, dec<sup>d</sup> [3] Robert Thomas Bennet Wright, born 1867, m<sup>d</sup> June 16, 1897 Ida Belle Griffith & has issue. [4] William Ball Nisbett Wright born 1874, m<sup>d</sup> & has issue.

(6) Emma Edith Wright, born Foulksrath, June 9, 1836, m<sup>d</sup> 28 June,

1860, her 1<sup>st</sup> cousin Rev<sup>d</sup> Arthur Wright M.A. Caius Coll. Cambs, & has issue. [1] Editha Lucy, born 1861, m<sup>d</sup> April 1882, Harry Bromilow, of St Helen's Lincs. and Rann Lea, Rainhill, Lincs. and has issue, Henry Arthur, born March 3, 1883; David George, born Feb. 8, 1884; Charles Edward, born Aug. 10, 1885; John Nisbett, born Aug. 24, 1887; Editha Marjorie, born May 26, 1891. [2] Maria Brassey (May) born Nov<sup>r</sup> 1862, m<sup>d</sup> May 7, 1884, Chas. Steuart, son of Rev<sup>d</sup> C. W. Cox, Rector, Lower Mediety of Malpas, and has issue, Charles Overend, born March 7, 1885, Isabel Emma, born Colorado July 16, 1886, and John Arthur born Colorado July 4, 1889.

(7) James William Wright, born Foulksrath Nov<sup>r</sup> 3, 1839, Bank Officer of Provincial Bank of I. and afterwards of London, died unmd. Feb. 16, 1887, buried Highgate Cemetery.

(8) Rev<sup>d</sup> William Ball Wright, born Foulksrath Oct. 6, 1843, B.A., T.C.D. 1865; Div. Test. 1866, ordained Deacon 1866, Priest 1867, Xmas Day, Curate of Pontefract, St Mary's Newington S.E., went to Tokio as a Pioneer Missionary of S.P.G. in 1873, and was there till 1882, S.P.G. Org. Sec<sup>r</sup> for Ire<sup>l</sup> 1884-89, worked in American Church U.S.A., 1889-96, Rector of East Acklam, Yorks. 1896-1903, Vicar of Osbaldwick, Yorks. 1903-1908; Author of "Ball Family Records," 1<sup>st</sup> Ed. 1887; "The Ussher Memoirs," 1889; and other Genealogical Works, Articles, and pamphlets, Member R.S.A. Ire<sup>l</sup>. 1887; m<sup>d</sup> April 11, 1874 at Christ Church, Yokohama, Emma, dr of Capt. Henry Smith formerly of London, who died Yokohama 1862, and has issue, E. Alice Nisbett Wright, born 1875 at Bancho, Tokio.

(9) Lucy Olivia Wright, born Foulksrath, Nov. 3, 1845, died at Bordighera March 26, 1896, and is buried in the old English Cemetery there, Central Sec<sup>r</sup> G.F.S. London 1880-1896 and a devoted worker in the cause of that Society.

STEPHEN BENNET WRIGHT and Anne his wife had issue also

2. Anne Joanna Wright, born 1791, died 1851, m<sup>d</sup> 1817 her 1<sup>st</sup> cousin Lieut. John Wilson, of Queen's County Militia who died 1824, and had issue 4 sons, Robert, Stephen, John & James & one dr Olivia m<sup>d</sup> Chas Deunoché.

3. Meade Nisbett Wright, born 1793, lived in Newfoundland, Spain; in the 13<sup>th</sup> Dragoons in the Peninsula & at Waterloo (Medal &c.) appointed Sub. Inspector of Irish Constabulary in 1821, R.I.C. 1837 retired 1847, died Rostrevor 1854, m<sup>d</sup> 1830 Honoria dr of Robert Fair of Hollymount, Co. Mayo, and had issue (1) Stephen Bennet Wright, Surgeon, drowned off the Falkland Islands (2) Robert Fair Wright, dec<sup>d</sup> San Francisco, m<sup>d</sup> & had issue; (3) Katherine, dec<sup>d</sup> m<sup>d</sup> Dr Rich<sup>d</sup>

Wilson of Dublin and had Nora. (4) Meade Nisbett Wright of San Francisco.

4. Rev<sup>d</sup> James Wright, born Aug. 1895, B.A. Queen's Coll. Cambs. Founder & 1<sup>st</sup> Superintendent, Jesus Lane Sunday School, ordained Chester, 1829, died Sept. 22, 1867, Vicar of St James's Xch. Latchford, Cheshire, m<sup>d</sup> 13 Dec<sup>r</sup> 1831, Elizabeth Brassey, dec<sup>d</sup> 1865, only dr of John Brassey and sister of Thomas Brassey, C.E. the great Railway Contractor; and had issue (1) Stephen Bennet Wright, C.E. born 1832, d. unmd. 1860 at Bray. (2) James Wright, C.E. born 1834, d. 1898, m<sup>d</sup> Elizabeth Duckers 1869, and had issue with others d. y., Mary Eveline Wright, Artist, born 1871.

(3) Arthur Wright, born 3 July 1836, late sch. & 2<sup>nd</sup> Math<sup>l</sup> Prizeman, Caius Coll. Sen<sup>r</sup> Optime, 1858, M.A. Cambs. ord. Deacon 1860, Pr. 1861, Chester, Rector of Pulverbach, Salop 1882-1908, m<sup>d</sup> his cousin Emma Edith Wright, as above.

(4) Mary Wright born 1838 m<sup>d</sup> 1857 Edw<sup>d</sup> Chapman Poore of Rainhill, dec<sup>d</sup> & has issue, 3 sons, Rev<sup>d</sup> Edw<sup>d</sup> Wright Poore, Rector of Ellingham, Hants. m<sup>d</sup> 1900 Margaret, dr of W. H. Deverell of Bossington House, Hants. & his wife Maria Loch niece of the 1<sup>st</sup> Lord Loch, and has 1. Thos. Edw<sup>d</sup> Deverell 2. Marian Ruth; Harry Wright, Arthur Wright, & 4 drs, Mary Eliz<sup>th</sup>; Louisa C.; Gertrude W.; Amy W.

(5) Edward Wright, born 1844, d, 1908.

Thomas & Eleanor Wright had issue.

VII. JOHN WANDESFORDE WRIGHT, born Grennan 1768, joined Society of Friends and m<sup>d</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Hannah dr of Sam<sup>l</sup> Haughton of Carlow; 2ndly Eliza dr of John Bell of Lurgan, and went 1817 to New York where he became a Brewer, as partner with Mr De Peyster; he died 1829, leaving issue 1. Richard Wright of Philadelphia m<sup>d</sup> Abigail Cooper & had issue John Wandesforde d. 1889. 2. John W. m<sup>d</sup> Miss Cooke & had issue. 3. George Alex<sup>r</sup> m<sup>d</sup> Emma Purdon & had issue James P. George A. & 2 drs. 4. Thomas of Rochester N.Y. m<sup>d</sup> Miss Helmer & had issue 2 drs. 5. Eliza m<sup>d</sup> W<sup>m</sup> R. Smith of N. Jersey. 6. Mary born 1814 d. 1856, m<sup>d</sup> Joseph Barcroft, dec<sup>d</sup> 1855, and had issue (1) Henry Barcroft D.L. of the Glen, Newry, m<sup>d</sup> Anna Malcolmson, and dec<sup>d</sup> leaving issue [1] Joseph, Fellow, King's Coll. Camb. m<sup>d</sup> Mary A. dr of Sir R. S. Ball. [2] David. [3, 4, 5] drs. (3) Eliz<sup>th</sup> m<sup>d</sup> Sir Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Anderson, dec<sup>d</sup> (4) Sarah m<sup>d</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Barcroft dec<sup>d</sup>

VIII. ROBERT WRIGHT born 1770 at Grennan, died April 1844, Capt. Irish Constabulary, and of Ballickmoyler, Qu. County, m<sup>d</sup> Katherine dr of Gustavus Hamilton, d. 1841, and had issue 1. Katherine m<sup>d</sup> Dr Rich<sup>d</sup> Byrn 1824 & had one son Rev<sup>d</sup> Rich<sup>d</sup> A. Byrn. 2. Hannah m<sup>d</sup> Dr E. Bolton 1836, and had issue, Robert, dec<sup>d</sup>; Rich<sup>d</sup> dec<sup>d</sup>; Sara m<sup>d</sup> Very

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Rev<sup>d</sup> George Y. Cowell, Dean of Kildare; Olivia dec<sup>d</sup> m<sup>d</sup> Dr Hillas;  
Katherine m<sup>d</sup> Fred Gardiner R.I.C. dec<sup>d</sup> 3. Thos Bell Wright. 4.  
G. Hamilton Wright. 5. George Wright all dec<sup>d</sup>

IX. MARY, bapt. Dec. 28 1766, m<sup>d</sup> Lawrence Kellett. X. JANE  
DOROTHEA bapt. Feb. 23 1769, m<sup>d</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> T. Wilson, 2ndly S. Bradley. XI.  
ELIZ<sup>th</sup> born 1771 m<sup>d</sup> John Bradley. XII. SARAH m<sup>d</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Carroll. XIII.  
CATHERINE m<sup>d</sup> George Shaw.



Appendix to Chapter IV.

NOTES ON THE FAMILY OF BLACKALL OR BLACKHALL.

The Visitations of Devon and Cornwall in 1629 contained pedigrees of a family or families named Blackhall, at Totnes and Exeter. The Prerog. Will of Roger Blackall of Exon was proved in 1541. A Blackall family settled at Lisburn Co. Antrim under Lord Conway and lived afterwards successively in Lurgan, Derry, Dungannon & Armagh. The frequent use of the name 'Roger' among them seems to point to a Devonian origin.

Another family of the same name lived in Oxfordshire in 1580 and onwards. From thence sprang Thomas Blackall the elder, of London, Pr. will proved 1659, in which he mentions his cousin George Blackall, his son-in-law Rich<sup>d</sup> Blackall and other relatives in Oxon, and "my brother Ofspring, minister of God's word," his sons Thomas & John Blackall. The prerog. will of Thos. Blackall, Alderman of London, son of the elder Thomas, was pr. 1688. He m<sup>d</sup> a relative, Martha dr. of Rev<sup>d</sup> Chas. Ofspring and had issue, among others, a son Ofspring Blackall who became Bishop of Exeter, died 1717 and left descendants who were in Devon within memory. (Compare D.N.B.)

In Connello Barony, Co. Limerick, a Richard Blackhall had settled at Black Island previous to 1642, when he deposed that on Decr 24, 1641 he was expelled, and robbed of £422 worth of stock, &c. In Pat. Roll 19, Chas. II. (1667) Thomas Blackhall, apparently son of Richard, is said to have had a grant of 795a. 1r. 32p. of land at a Quit Rent of £7 9s. 1<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>d. in the Barony of Pobelbrien, Co. Limerick, under the Act of Settlement. This Thomas, who was probably brother to Alderman George Blackall of Dublin (as appears by various documents) had several sons by his wife Miss Bassett of Cork, from one of whom, Basset Blackall of Barntihey came a family still existing in Limerick. There is reason to think that they came from Oxfordshire or London, and in St. Peter's Reg<sup>rs</sup> Dublin is the burial of a child named Ofspring Blackall in 1711.

George Blackall of Dublin had a brother John and a sister Mary. In the Assembly Roll of 1674, he appears as "a master of the City" of Dublin, also as Auditor of the City. In 1692 he had been for some years an Alderman; in 1694 he became City Treasurer. His eldest son Thomond received his name no doubt because his grandfather had served in the wars under the Earl of Thomond. Thomond Blackall bap St<sup>t</sup> Peter's, Dublin, 28 Sept. 1674, became Freeman of Dublin by service, 1690 & died 1716, was father of Elinor who m<sup>d</sup> Henry Ball & was father of Thomond Ball of Dublin & Philadelphia. The Registers of St<sup>t</sup> Peter's Parish contain nearly 40 Blackall entries.

Appendix to Chapter VIII.

BALL ENTRIES IN BAMPTON REGISTERS, DEVON.

Eleanor, dr. of Henry Ball & Eleanor his wife bap. 14 Oct. 1653; Richard, son of Thomas Ball bap. 6 Aug. 1661; Robert, son of John Ball born Dec<sup>r</sup> 19, 1698; Abraham son of Susan Ball born April 22, 1702; W<sup>m</sup> ye son of W<sup>m</sup> & Alice Ball born 25 May, bap. 7 June, 1702; Eliz<sup>th</sup> dr. of John & Joan Ball born Sep. 5, bap. Sept. 18, 1702; Robert, son of W<sup>m</sup> & Ann (2nd Alice) Ball born May 10, bap. 29 May, 1705; Eleanor dr. of John & Joan Ball born 20 Oct., bap. 31 Oct. 1705; Banns of marriage pub. 1687 between Edward Ball & Emolyn Ball; W<sup>m</sup> Ball bur. 23 May 1653; Joan Ball bur. Dec<sup>r</sup> 1655; W<sup>m</sup> Ball bur. 21 July 1656; Benj<sup>m</sup> Ball bur. Jan. 1698; Thomas & Eliz<sup>th</sup> Ball m<sup>d</sup> 17 Oct. 1698; Richard Squire & Ann Ball m<sup>d</sup> 23 April 1698; John Ball & Joan Gloyne m<sup>d</sup> 28 Nov<sup>r</sup> 1701; Mary Ball bur. 27 Feb. 1699; W<sup>m</sup> son of W<sup>m</sup> Ball bur. 12 Sep. 1701; Jone Ball bur. Oct. 5, 1701; Ann Ball bur. 26 June 1702; Eliz<sup>th</sup> wife of John Ball bur. 13 Sep. 1702; M<sup>r</sup> Henry Ball bur. 6 April 1705; M<sup>rs</sup> Eleanor Ball bur. 3 July 1706; { M<sup>r</sup> John Ball buried 29 Oct. 1697, Anabaptist; } Eleanor dr. of Rob<sup>t</sup> & Eliz<sup>th</sup> Ball bap. 8 April 1709; Mary dr. of Will Ball & Alice his wife bap. 24 Nov. 1709; Henry son of John Ball & Joan his wife bap. 9 Feb. 1710; Thomas son of John & Joan Ball bap. 29 Oct. 1711; Richard Ball m<sup>d</sup> Oct. 23, 1712; Mary Ball bur. Dec. 18, 1712; M<sup>rs</sup> Agnes Ball bur. March 23, 1713; Mary dr. of Robt. & Eliz<sup>th</sup> Ball bap. July 2, 1714; David Spark & Ann Ball m<sup>d</sup> Oct. 18, 1714; Betty dr. of Will & Alice Ball bap. May 29, 1715; Mary Ball bur. July 8, 1716; Eleanor dr. of John & Joane Ball bapt. July 19 1723; Alice dr. of W<sup>m</sup> & Alice Ball bap. 14 Dec<sup>r</sup> 1709; Henry son of John Ball & Joan his wife 1711 (? bur.):

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Notes from Rev<sup>d</sup> E. Scott, Baptist Minister, Bampton, Devon.

Copy of inscription on Vault in the Baptist Burying ground there.

"John Ball, gent., who departed this life ye 16<sup>th</sup>, Anno 1697 Anno ætatis suæ 61."

"Here lies the dust of a kind friend, who kept Christ's faith unto ye end.

And in his house did find a place, which he did prize above ye world's fame.

Who there pure love and peace did find, which ought to be pursued.  
Whom he did help when there was need, and such A one's a friend indeed.

This fair example he hath shown, who's free from sin and crown'd in Heaven."

Jane Ball, widow of John Ball, dyed ye 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 1721 aged 85.

Elinor Ball, Daughter of John Ball dyed ye 9<sup>th</sup> day of May 1706 aged 30.

Henry Ball of Moor, gent, departed this life the 22<sup>nd</sup> of Feb. 1737, aged 71.

Ann Ball, relict of Mr Henry Ball departed this life April the 16<sup>th</sup> 1733 aged 79.

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Extracts from Morebath Registers.

Johanes (vocatus a parentibus suis Anabap.) filius Henrici Ball plebei et uxoris ejus, natus erat vicesimo quinto die Novembris 1698.

An Elizabeth Ball made 2 affidavits of Burials in Woollen 1684 & 1685.

Burial 1685 Aug<sup>t</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Elizabeth Ball buried in Woollen. Affidavit attested by Robert Ball,

An Indenture 14 June 1703 making over for ever to trustees a plot of ground & house in accordance with his father's will for the use of the Anabaptists in Bampton is signed and sealed by Henry Ball of Morebath mcht, sonne & heir of John Ball late of Bampton, mcht 1<sup>st</sup> part; W<sup>m</sup> Moore of Bampton, Sergemaker & W<sup>m</sup> Davey of same husbandman, 2<sup>nd</sup> part; Heman Ball of Minehead, Co. Somerset, mcht.

Another Indenture June 3 1703 for one year from same to same.

The above & following notes were kindly sent by Mr Mudford, Mayor of Tiverton, one of the Trustees of Bampton Baptist Chapel. "At Bampton 5<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1690 at Tiverton, at a Church meeting of the Church of Christ baptized it was agreed that the members above named are a Church distinct from the one at Tiverton. 6 names, Tristram Irwin and others." "At a General Assembly of Ministers Particular Bapt. Churches, London 1689, among the Signatures are Tristram Irwin and John Ball who represented Tiverton Church.

40 persons, 19 men 21 women who have kept up for many years a constant publick meeting, now at appointed meeting at Bampton, the pastors of Bristol, Exon & Taunton present, were recognized as a Church of Christ. The members of Tiverton Bapt. Church went to Exeter to give the future King (W<sup>m</sup> III) a welcome. John Ball was the 1<sup>st</sup> minister in Bampton; previously the people came 7 miles to Tiverton."

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Notes received from Mr R. F. Ball of Theydon Copt, Epping.

John Ball of Bristol, mercht, by will dated 22 Nov<sup>r</sup> 1738 pr. 28 Aug. 1739, confirmed to his wife Martha for life, after the decease of his mother the estate called "Mooreffarm" in the parish of Morebath, Co.

Devon. Testator gave his messuage and farm called Holcombe als East Holcombe in the parish of Bampton Co. Devon, also leasehold estate called Redland Moores in s<sup>d</sup> parish of Bampton to exors in trust (subject to certain sums for his wife and his daughters Ann, Martha and Jane & for his son John.) By Codicil dated 26 Nov<sup>r</sup> 1738 testator gives to his wife the use of his large silver salver "untill my said son is 21, then I give it to him, & I desire him to give the same to his eldest son at his decease, the same being a family piece of plate." One of the exors Chas. Sawyer made an affirmation, the others were sworn. The above John Ball was probably brother of Henry Ball, gent of Morebath, and seems to have become a Quaker.

His son John Ball of Bristol, Linen Draper, who m<sup>d</sup> firstly Mary Coysgarne of Bristol 22. 2. 1714; he m<sup>d</sup> secondly Hannah Goldney of Bristol & Chippenham, 5. 7. 1739, He died 1763, having by will dat. 11 Jan. 1763 pr. 11 Aug. same year, by his widow given £500 to his dr. Mary, wife of Joseph Wilcocks of Dublin, mcht: lands at Mangoldfield (Co. Gloucester) to his grandson W<sup>m</sup> Dinham, charged with an annuity of £30 to his gr'dr Eliz<sup>th</sup> Ball, dr. of late son John Hallifield Ball, for life, then to grandr Sarah Green (als Denham) and grandson Coysgarne Dinham successively for life. In the Quaker Registry at Devonshire House is recorded the death of "Hallowfield Ball" described as of "James Parish (Bristol) age not given, buried at "Redcliff" 1757 x 20.

Hannah Ball als Goldney, widow, of Bristol, by will dated 10 May 1767 gave a legacy to her "daughter-in-law, i.e. stepdr. Mary Willcocks wife of Joseph Willcocks of Dublin: also a legacy to grandr-in-law Eliz<sup>th</sup> Ball dr. of the late Halifield Ball: also legacy to grandson-in-law Coysgarne Dinham, sone of Robert & Elizabeth Dinham.

Testatrix gives the moiety of property called Inn's Court at Bishford, Bedminster (Summerset) to said Eliz<sup>th</sup>, "but if said Eliz<sup>th</sup> (or any husband) sh<sup>d</sup> be litigious or troublesome either to the respective trustees or exors appointed in & by the wills of *her late grandfather John Ball & her uncle John Ball* respectively, then bequests to her are revoked with a gift over. She gives a legacy to her brother Thomas Goldney and appoints him exor. She also gives legacies to the Quakers' meetings at Bristol. She gives to said Eliz<sup>th</sup> "a large silver waiter with the Coysgarne's and Balls' coats of arms engraved upon it.

Eliz<sup>th</sup> Ball, dr. of Hallifield & his wife Sarah dr. of Arthur Hyde, m<sup>d</sup> Bartholomew O'Donoghue in Co. Cork in 1751. She had issue four sons & five drs. Her greatgrdr Miss E. O Donoghue m<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Cotcliffe of Exeter and possesses the silver salver having the arms of Ball of Chudleigh & those of Coysgarne impaled, engraved on it.

Cloyne Dio. Will made 7 Jan. 1724, 2<sup>nd</sup> Probate 23 1743. ROBERT BALL of Youghal Co. Cork mcht & Alderman £50 yearly to wife; freehold of Gurtaspidole alias Whitebarn in Youghal psh; the house I live in & the house leased to Jn. Green, joiner both in Youghal town: Knockangaunee in Dongourney psh in Barrymore Barony all to son Henry Ball, Estate of Keens in Morebath psh. Co. Devon, lease of Propoge in Youghal psh. Mortgage on several houses in Youghal-owned by Basset Blackall, for legacies to 6 drs. and grdchildren, to dr. Barbara Rogers & her two sons; dr. Elinor Cozens, grdson Robert Cozens, dr. Anne Wigmore, dr. Elizth. Burgess, dr. Alice Fisher, dr. Jane Foulke, dr. Margt Prince: poor of pshes. of Bampton, Youghal & Morebath; cousins Henry Ball of More, Hayman Ball, Thomas Drake & W<sup>m</sup> Potberry to distribute legacies to poor in England, Exor, son Henry Ball, Overseers, brs. in law, Thos. Vaughan & W<sup>m</sup> Casaubon, Seal a man's leg on a heart (not heraldic).

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The Rev<sup>d</sup> John Ball (cf D.N.B.) born 1585, son of W<sup>m</sup> Ball of Cassington, Oxon, & his wife Agnes Mabet was tutor of Lady Cholmondeley's children in Cheshire, and in 1611 was appointed Curate or Vicar of Whitmore, Staffs; on 4 Aug. 1612 he m<sup>d</sup> there Ellena Bucknall, and had issue 1. Johana Ball, bap. 16 April 1615, 2. Benjamin bap. 20 June, 1619. 3. Sarah, bap. 2 Dec. 1621. 4. Samuel bap. 21 Mar. 1623-4. 5. James, bap. 23 March 1626-7. Rev<sup>d</sup> John Ball who was a famous Puritan Divine died 20<sup>th</sup> October 1639 & was bur. same day at Whitmore. (The writer is indebted for the extracts from the Whitmore Registers to R. Simms of Newcastle, Staffs). His second son Rev<sup>d</sup> Benjamin Ball was Minister of St. John the Baptist's Xch, Chester, and died in 1649. His will pr. Chester July 1649, says, "I Benjn. Ball of the city of Chester, minister of the word of God, make this my last will & Testament. I give and bequeath to Anne Ball [als Sankey] my wife £200. Hannah Ball my daur. £150, and to my child that my wife is now great with, the sum of £60 and if any of my said children shall happen to die before he or they shall attain the age of 16 years that then the sum bequeathed to him or them dying shall go, the one moiety to Anne Ball my wife, and the other moiety to my then surviving child or children. If all die to my brothers and sister, Joseph Ball, Samuel Ball, James Ball and Sarah Ball, equally divided." His study of books bequeathed to him by his father to be given to his brothers provided they give the sum of £10 to be equally divided among his children. Bequeaths to his mother Sanky, his brother-in-law, Robert and Richard Sanky and sister-in-law Eliz<sup>th</sup> Sanky, his brs. Joseph & Samuel Ball & sister Sarah Ball ten shillings

to buy them each a ring as a token of his love to them, and various small sums to others for the same purpose together with 40 shillings for the poor of St. John's. His wife Ann Ball, his brother James Ball, John Glondold & Alex<sup>r</sup> Bird to be executors.

A Joseph Ball was buried at Whitmore about 1690, who was probably bapt. elsewhere & was a son of Rev<sup>d</sup> John Ball.

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NOTES ON THE FELTUS FAMILY.

According to John Ryan (History and Antiquities of the County Carlow, p. 364), the grandfather of Adam Bloomfield Feltus was Henry Feltus, a native of England, who settled at Kilmaglish in the County Carlow, where he held about 1,000 acres of land, in the reign of William III. His son, who was also called Henry, married a daughter of Henry Blake, who had settled in the County Carlow at the same time, and had issue a son, Cuthbert. Cuthbert Feltus was born in 1722, died 3 November 1799, and was buried at Fenagh. He married in St. Bride's Church, Dublin, in 1767, Jane, daughter of Adam Bloomfield, uncle of Benjamin 1<sup>st</sup> Lord Bloomfield. She was born in 1749, died 26 March 1821, and was buried at Fenagh. They had, as well as other children who died young, Adam Bloomfield (born in 1782, died 25 May 1849, and buried at Fenagh), who married Rebecca, daughter of Benjamin Ball, and Elizabeth who married her sister-in-law's nephew, Major Benjamin Marcus Ball, father of Right Hon. John T. Ball, late Lord Chancellor of Ireland.

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NOTES ON THE PAUMIER FAMILY.

The earliest reference to the residence of members of this family in Dublin is to be found in La Touche's "Register of the French Conformed Churches of St. Patrick and St. Mary" p. 61, where it appears that on 14 October 1728 Isabella Paumier married Jean Vellebois and that on 20 August 1738 they had a son to whom the name Piere was given, and for whom Piere Paumier became godfather. A few years later, in 1744, two brothers called Peter and John Paumier purchased an extensive sugar factory which then stood on the site of Power's Distillery in Thomas Street. The eldest of these brothers Peter Paumier was twice married 1<sup>st</sup> in 1747 to Penelope Leslie, and 2<sup>ndly</sup> in Dominick Street on 19 February 1776 to Margery (who died at Bath in 1822) daughter of Archibald Hamilton of Ballysutton, Co. Tyrone. He died at Bath in 1780 leaving no issue. The youngest brother John Paumier who resided at Furry Park near Clontarf married in 1748 Susanna daughter of Mungo Noble of Glasdrummond Co. Fermanagh

and died on 15 July 1766. He is said to have been a gentleman possessed of every social virtue and one in whose death the public sustained a loss (see Freeman's Journal). He had issue by his wife Susanna Noble (who married secondly George Macquay and died in 1801) 1. Mungo, a colonel in the army who had by his first wife Maria 1<sup>a</sup> Mungo Noble, 2<sup>a</sup> Susan Jane born 1810 died at Bray 11 September 1824 buried at Clontarf 3<sup>d</sup> Frances Marie married in 1812 Dixie Clements; 2 John married and buried at Clontarf 22 August 1812; 3 Frances married 18 July 1770 Thomas Clements and had issue; 4 Prudence born 1752 buried at Clontarf 20 April 1816; 5 Elizabeth died in the Isle of Man in 1810; Susanna born 1760 buried at Clontarf 18 October 1831; 7 Mary; 8 Penelope married Rev. John Ball.

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NO. 1 IN PENNSYLVANIA.]

[NO. 89 IN ENGLAND.

KELLY, GRAND MASTER!

WM. DICKEY, S.G.W.

WM. OSBORN, D.G.M.

J. GIBSON, J.G.W.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

We, the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons (according to the Old Constitutions granted by His Royal Highness, Prince Edwin, at York, in the year of our Lord nine hundred twenty and six, and in the year of Masonry four thousand nine hundred twenty and six), in ample form assembled, viz., the Right Worshipful and Right Honorable Thomas Erskine, Earl of Kelly, Viscount Fenton, Lord Baron of Pittenween, etc., in Great Britain, Grand Master of Masons, the Right Worshipful Mr. Wm. Osborn, Deputy Grand Master the Right Worshipful Mr. William Dickey, Senior Grand Warden, and the Right Worshipful James Gibson, Esq., Junior Grand Warden, etc., with the approbation and consent of the warranted Lodges, held within the cities and suburbs of London and Westminster, do hereby authorize and empower our trusty and well-beloved brethren (that are now or hereafter may become inhabitants) in the Province of Pennsylvania, to form and hold a Grand Lodge in the city of Philadelphia, in the said province, independent of any former dispensation, warrant, or constitution granted (by us or our predecessors) to any part of America; and we do hereby nominate, constitute, and appoint our trusty and dearly-beloved brother, the Right Worshipful William Ball, Esquire, our Provincial Grand Master in Pennsylvania aforesaid, and the territories thereunto belonging; our trusty and well-beloved brother, Captain Blaithwaite Jones, his Deputy Grand Master; our trusty and well-beloved brother Mr. David Hall, his

Senior Grand Warden; and our trusty and well-beloved brother, Mr. Hugh Lennox, his Junior Grand Warden, etc. And we do hereby further authorize and empower our said trusty and well-beloved brethren, Messrs. William Ball, Esquire, Captain Blaithwaite Jones, David Hall, and Hugh Lennox to grant dispensations, warrants or constitutions for the forming, holding, and well governing Lodges, within his worship's jurisdiction aforesaid; and in his (or such other Lodge or Lodges by him authorized) to make and admit Freemasons according to the most ancient and honorable custom of Royal Craft in all ages and nations throughout the known world; and we do also further empower and appoint the said Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania to hear and determine all and singular matters relating to the Craft within the territories and jurisdiction aforesaid, strictly requiring all our loving brethren within the said jurisdiction to be conformable to all and every of the good rules, orders, issues, and decrees, that shall from time to time be ordered, issued or decreed by the said Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania; and, lastly, we do hereby further authorize and empower our said trusty and dearly-beloved brethren, Messrs. William Ball, Esquire, Captain Blaithwaite Jones, David Hall, and Hugh Lennox, with advice and consent of the Warranted Lodges within the jurisdiction aforesaid to nominate, choose, and install their successors, to whom they shall deliver this warrant and invest them with all their powers and dignities as Freemasons. And such successors, shall in like manner nominate, choose, and install their successors, etc., etc., etc., such installation to be upon (or near) every St John's (the Evangelist's) Day during the continuance of this Lodge forever. Providing that the above-named brethren, and all their successors, pay due respect to the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge, otherwise this warrant to be of no force or virtue.

Given under our hands and the Seal of the Grand Lodge in London, the twentieth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred sixty and four, and the year of Masonry, 5764.

Laurence Dermott,

Grand Secretary.

N.B.—This warrant is registered in the Grand Lodge in London, Vol. 38 Letter C. and bears the date July 15<sup>th</sup> 1761.

#### EXTRACTS FROM BRIEF OF TITLE TO BALL ESTATE.

Will of W<sup>m</sup> Ball, dated 24<sup>th</sup> May 1737, wherein after sundry devises and bequests he devised all his estate unto his children in fee, in equal parts, except his daughter Ann, who was to have her share for life with remainder over to her children in fee tail.



Proved 11 Nov. 1740, registered at Philadelphia in Book of Wills "F," page 177.

The Estate was divided under a Writ of Partition dated 1754, Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> among the five surviving children of the testator, William, Joseph, Ann, Samuel, and Mary. William, the eldest, purchased the portion of his brother Samuel, and Joseph and Mary dying intestate, unmarried and without issue, he became possessed of their portions under the then intestate laws of Pennsylvania, so that he thus became seized of the whole premises recited in the partition with the exception of the share allotted to his sister Ann, who afterwards intermarried with John Gibson.

Will of W<sup>m</sup> Ball dated 4 Sept. 1809, wherein and whereby, after sundry bequests and a further devise unto his sister, Ann Gibson, and to her children, did then devise in the words following, to wit: "Item—I do give and devise all my lands, tenements, ground rents and real estate whatsoever, situate in the city and county of Philadelphia, unto the children of my said nephew, Joseph Ball, namely: William Whyte Ball, Joseph Ingles Ball, Benjamin Ball and all other children that may hereafter be born unto him in lawful wedlock, to be equally divided between them, share and share alike to each of them and their heirs forever, the lots herein before devised only excepted.

Proved 2<sup>nd</sup> June 1810, registered in Philadelphia Book of Wills No. 3 page 193.

The said Joseph Ball, the nephew, afterwards died leaving beside the said William W. Ball, Joseph I. Ball and Benjamin Ball, three other children born in lawful wedlock, viz.: George B. W. Ball, Charles H. Ball and Harriet S. Ball.

The said Joseph Ball died 29<sup>th</sup> August 1825 and his life interest in the estates having expired partition was made among the six children above-mentioned by order of the Court dated 21 Jan. 1826.

Breve de partitione facienda to M 26- 107.

In the Partition Richmond Hall with the Manor were awarded to the youngest child and only daughter Harriott.

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##### NOTES ON THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE BALLS.

Note from the Annual Register 1768 February.—Deaths.

"At Dingley near Market Harborough, Northants, Major Thomas Ball aged 84, who commanded Marshal Wade's Reg<sup>t</sup> of horse at the taking of the Highland deserters in Ladywood near Oundle, Northants, in May 1743 & was the officer who went into the wood to them & persuaded them to surrender. He was 60 years in the Service & was in Spain under Lord Peterborough."

George Ball of Ashton, Northants, is mentioned in a letter of Sir Francis Tresham, (cf. Tresham Papers in Hist. M.S.S. Com. Report) his debts, Marryot his son-in-law, 1591. His petition to the Privy Council; his money banks and wealth as well in Ireland as in this realm—he was seventy years old, dated Rushton, Northants. From Baker's Hist. Northants, pp. 299-327, and from certain wills it appears that he was still living in 1619, and had issue, i. John of Helidon, Northants d.s.p. July 12 1618. He bought Charwelton, Northants in 1616 for £3365. ii. Jacosa m<sup>d</sup> Edmond Verney Esq. iii. Cecily, wife of Sam<sup>l</sup> Borse Esq. iv. Mary m<sup>d</sup> Anthony Marriott, gt., and had George & Thos. v. Dorothy m<sup>d</sup> Robert Calcott, gent. vi. Eliz<sup>th</sup> m<sup>d</sup> Edw<sup>d</sup> Waterhouse, gt. & had Marg<sup>t</sup>. vii. a dr. Mary.

A Chancery Bill, Jac. I, Bundle 28, 59, 27 June 1606, compared with one of Balle v. Gibbes 1603, mentions W<sup>m</sup> Ball of Wellingboro, yeoman, his son James Ball of same, John, brother of James, Richard Ball of London, mcht. another brother. Another Bill, 3 May, 1607, of George Ball of Charwelton, gt. says he became altogether decayed in his estate & sold all to satisfy his creditors, "leaving not to his wife, himself & children means of living." Mentions his son Michael, was arrested in son John's house, he was four score years. The will of Rich<sup>d</sup> Ball, Citizen & Clothworker of London, pr. 1617 mentions his wife Anne, his mother Eliz<sup>th</sup>, his eldest son John, property at Wellingboro: his sons Richard & William, his br. John & his wife Avis, his cousin George Ball, his niece Eliz<sup>th</sup> dr. of his br. John, his cousins Philip & Richard Ball, &c.

All these Northamptonshire Balls no doubt were related to Colonel W<sup>m</sup> Ball who emigrated to Virginia & was ancestor of Mary Ball, the mother of George Washington.

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MISCELLANEOUS NOTES OF MR. TENISON GROVES & OTHERS,  
ON THE NAME BALL.

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A Palatinate of Tipperary Chancery Bill of 1703, April 2 recites that Blagrave Ball of Ballyea, Co. Tipperary, farmer, son & heir of John Ball & his wife Joan Brien, 2<sup>nd</sup> dr. & co-h. of Brien O'Brien, a Protestant Minister who owned in fee Cloonebrian in Owney and Arrabarony, Co. Tipperary, subject to a chief rent to Sir Terence O'Brien Bt. files bill against Marcus O'Brien, owner of another part of said townland, and surviving Exor of the will of sd. Rev<sup>d</sup> Brien O'Brien, Teige O'Brien, son of Marcus, Edw<sup>d</sup> Butler & Edw. Walsh, representatives of Honora Walsh, als. O'Brien, sister & co-heir of Sir Terence O'Brien, Capt. Arthur Rolleston son & heir of Capt. Francis Rolleston, to whom the premises were set out for arrears after 1641; Thomas, son & heir of Sir Arthur Jones, son & heir of Sir Theophilus Jones who

obtained letters patent of the premises as concealed lands. Rev R. O'Brien died in 1655. His 2<sup>nd</sup> dr. Joan m<sup>d</sup> John Ball & they both died about 1690, leaving Plt. who served King W<sup>m</sup> in Ireland & till lately in Flanders, one Blagrave is mentioned in the Co. Clare Vol. of Depositions 1641, and there is a chancery Bill, July 3, 1596, of John Blagrave. In 1648 Colonel Blagrave was in command of a regiment in the Irish Army.

Blagrave Ball and Mary Coulter were m<sup>d</sup> at St Mary's sch. Dublin, by Publ. 1723.

In 1725 Blagrave Ball's will was proved on 19 Jan. Wife sole exor & legatee.

In 1623 a Cork M.L.B., signed 29 Jan. for marriage of John Ball of Kinsale and Martha Benson who as his widow in 1630 administered the goods of her husband; 20 July 1725 a Cloyne M.L.B. for Richard Ball of Youghall & Marg<sup>t</sup> Hermitage; 15 March 1670 a Cork admon. Bond signed by Marg<sup>t</sup> Downer of Bristol for admon. of goods of Thomas Ball & Alice his wife, both of Bandon Bridge.

17 Nov<sup>r</sup> 1623 admon. of goods of Humphry Ball of Bandon to Frances, his widow.

In 1735 one Nicholas Ball was a tenant on the estate of Newlands Co. Kildare under Major General Joseph Sabine.

In 1710 Daniel Ball was a brewer at Castlepollard, Co. W'Meath; he had Morgan Ball his eldest son 1731 & Michael, his grandson who in 1753 was a resident in Dublin, and a linen lapper.

In 1642 Katherine Ball was widow of Thos. Deane of Dublin. In 1694 Richard Ball was of Castletown Moylagh Co. Meath. In 1695 he was of Rathflesk and also in 1702 of same in Rathmolyon p'sh. In 1757 John Ball of Rathmolyon was land surveyor to Arthur Rawdon, Esq. lease there for lives of sisters Elizabeth Wilson als Ball & Maria Ball.

In 1638 one Richard Ball, gent, lived at Durhamstown, psh. of Ardbraccen Co. Meath, had children, including a dr. m<sup>d</sup> to Ambrose Brown.

Meath Dio. M.L. of John Ball & Mary Finlay both of Moynalty, 9 Sept. 1714. T.C.D. M.S.F. 4. 18. John Ball of London, gt. (son of John of Lichfield) m<sup>d</sup> before her father's death 1640 Sarah, eldest dr. of Thos. Madden of Baginbally, Dublin.

Richard Ball of Dublin City, Alderman, was grted. lands in the King's County 22 June, 1637 (p. 174 M.S. Cal. of Patent Rolls).

Depositions of 1641, Co. Cork, p. 241, Original Dep. signed at Youghal 17 June 1654, of James Ball of Templemighell in Coshmorebarony, aged about 24, &c.

1617 Allen Ball, agent for the Ironworks Comp<sup>y</sup> in Co. Cork. Thomas Ball & Daniel Ball, 1608 defendants in dispute about timber in

Co. Waterford. Matric. List T.C.D. John Ball son of John Ball, gent, born at Trim, aged 17, on 13 April 1687.

Thomas Ball aged 18 son of Thomas Ball, on Feb. 24 1678/9 entered as pensioner.

Samuel Ball on 17 April 1749 entered as pensioner.

Hearth Money Roll, Co. Tyrone 1666, Dungannon Barony, Donagh-henry psh. Molition (Mulantean), John Ball, 1 hearth 2s.

William Ball of Ballytarsny, Co. Kilkenny, 9 Nov. 1686 held as under-tenant of Duke of Ormonde.

John Ball signed Co. Roscommon address of Loyalty to Chas. II. (34<sup>th</sup> of Chas. II). Meath Will of John Ball of Trim, gt. (freeman of Trim 1680) pr. 23 Feb. 1736, son Patrick Ball, & his wife Cicily, grdr. Susanna Ball; dr. Amy Reynolds.

In Chancery Bill 3 June 1685 Michael Ball of Dublin City, gt. son & heir of John Ball who died 17 March 1685, Versus Eliz<sup>th</sup> & Mary Ball his sisters, Robert Ball, John Porter Esq., Elinor Porter alias Ball, widow & others, sues for his father's Deeds & Papers.

Co. Louth, Hearth Money Roll 1664, S<sup>t</sup> Lawrence Ward, Drogheda, Sarjeant Ball 1 hearth, 2s.

Martin Caulfield Basil of Beaconsfield, Bucks. Will pr. 1735, owned large estates in Co. Donegal, inherited from his ancestor, Chief Justice W<sup>m</sup> Basil Esq., Attorney General of the Commonwealth 1649-1658, and bequeathed them to his godson W<sup>m</sup> Ball Esq., of Gray's Inn, Middlesex, according to deeds of 1718, 1724, 1732, W<sup>m</sup> Ball assumed the name Basil. If he died issueless property to go to Sarah Garnett, £3,000 to M<sup>rs</sup> Martha Ball of Westminster, £35 yearly to D<sup>r</sup> John Ball of the Isle of Man.

In Rathmolyon Psh. Registers, Co. Meath, M<sup>r</sup> Richard Ball was buried 19 Dec. 1745. Richard Ball 13 Oct. 1762. John Ball & Mary Ball m<sup>d</sup> 5 Sept. 1750. Mary dr. of John & Mary Ball bap. 22 June 1755. Anna Maria bap. 19 June 1757. Rich<sup>d</sup> Ball bap. 18 July 1759. Eliza Ball dr. of John & Mary born 1761; ditto born 1764.

Richard Ball of Skalyanstown Co. Meath, an English Protestant deposed in 1641 that he was robbed at Liscarton. His goods were admin<sup>d</sup> by his son Thos. in 1652. He was no doubt one of the Balls of Irby, Cheshire.

Co. Meath Subsidy Roll 1662. Thos. Ball of Skallough p<sup>r</sup> for goods 10/-. Thos. Ball of Mountainstown for goods, Rich<sup>d</sup> Ball of Drakestown for goods. Thos. Ball of Rahill for lands.

# ADDENDUM.

Charlotte Elizabeth Ball (sister of Major Benjamin Marcus Ball) only daughter of the Rev. John Ball, Rector of Attanagh Co. Kilkenny and Penelope his wife (*m.* 11 March, 1788) daughter of John Paumier, Esq., a Huguenot gentleman of Furry Park Co. Dublin and Susannah his wife daughter of Mungo Noble of Glassdrummond.

The above Charlotte Elizabeth Ball married Robert Lloyd, M.D.T.C.D., (brother of Rev. Bartholomew Lloyd, D.D., Provost T.C.D.) of 3, Clare Street, Dublin and afterwards of 3, Lower Pembroke Street, and had issue:—

(1) Bartholomew Lloyd, only son married Ellen daughter of — Porter, of Edinburgh, and had issue two sons, both died young.

(2) Margaret Lloyd, *mar.* 16 Dec. 1846, at St. Peter's, Dublin, John Tuthill, Esq., of Kilmore, Co. Limerick and of Rapla, Co. Tipperary, and had issue:—

(a) Phineas Barrett Tuthill, M.D., D.S.M., T.C.D., F.R.C.S.I., F.S.A., Lieut.-Colonel R.A.M.C., Retired.

(b) Katherine Hannah *mar.* John Louis Emil Dreyer, Ph. D. of the Observatory, Armagh, and has issue :

(c) Charlotte Elizabeth married Lieutenant-Colonel Richard William Woods, late Staff Officer of Pensioners, Manchester, and has issue :

(d) Mary Maria died young.

(e) Margaret Dartnell *mar.* Major-General Henry Wellington Palmer, C.B., and has issue :

(f) Susan Penelope *mar.* Rev. Henry Brownrigg Hewson, Rector of Clonaslee Queen's Co. and has issue:

3. Susan Penelope Lloyd, *mar.* Rev. Robert McKee, Rector of Nurney, Bagnalstown and has issue, Charlotte Elizabeth only child *mar.* Dr. William Shee, of Bella Vista, Dungannon, Co. Waterford and had issue:

4. Mary Maria died unmarried.

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Page 40, line 2, for 1844, read 1842; line 10, for Robert James, read Robert Edward; line 12, for Delgarno, read Belgrano; line 21, for Frances, read Frank.

Page 43, line 1, for 1861, read 1864.

Page 70, line 1, add Married on Dec. 8, 1908, at Providence, Rhode Island, U.S.A., Nina Louise, dau. of Mr Chas. D. Woodward, of that place.

Notes on the Pedigree of the STANDISH FAMILY of Lancashire, Dublin, and Rathbeggan, Co. Meath.

(See Journal R.S.A.I., 1890, and The Wolfes of Forenaughts.)

The Standish family of Lancashire, whose charters begin in 1222, is divided into two branches—Standish of Standish Manor, and Standish of Duxbury Manor—both being descended from Thurstan de Standish (Stone-ditch), who flourished in the time of Henry III., son of — de Standish, who married about 1200.

From his elder grandson Jordan de Standish, came the family of Standish of Standish Manor, which down to the present day has retained the Roman Faith. Of this family was Sir John de Standish, mentioned by Froissart as being Squire and attendant of Richard II., in 1381, when he met Wat Tyler. Standish killed Wat Tyler with a sword thrust in his stomach, and was thereupon knighted. Another John Standish was one of the heroes of Agincourt, 1415. Of this branch too was the famous Myles Standish, military leader of the Pilgrim Fathers of Connecticut, whom Longfellow has sung of in his celebrated poem, "The Courtship of Myles Standish," though he makes him out wrongly to be of the junior branch (Protestant), and gives him for a crest a cock gules, instead of an owl holding a rat in its talons. In his will, Captain Myles claims to be great grandson of the second or younger brother of Standish of Standish, and named his eldest son Alexander. From Hugh, the younger son of Jordan de Standish, came the family of Standish of Duxbury Manor. Thomas Standish of Duxbury by his wife Katherine, dau. of Sir Alex. Standish of Standish, had a son James, who by his second wife Elizabeth, dau. and heiress of John Butelar of Raccliffe, had issue—first, Thomas, of Duxbury; secondly, Christopher, who was left 40<sup>s</sup> in his brother Thos.' will, 1593, as also to every one of his children 10<sup>s</sup>. He was father of John Standish and grandfather of James Standish, the Irish Vice Treasurer, and of his brother Joseph, of Dublin, who became the ancestor of the Irish Branch. On a letter of James Standish, written in London, 1654, to Mr. Short, of Dublin, the seal has the arms and crest of Standish of Duxbury Manor. Also to a letter addressed to Lord Deputy Henry Cromwell, at Dublin, 1658, James Standish affixes his seal with the arms of Standish of Duxbury.

John Standish m<sup>d</sup> — and had issue—I. James Standish, V.T. of Ireland and afterwards of Hatton Garden, born about 1610, settled

in Ireland, from whence he was made prisoner on the first day of the rebellion of 1641. He appears to have married Anne, dau. of Mr. Franklin, of Butbury, Essex, and of the Strand, London, who died 1663, and by her had a dau. who became 2<sup>nd</sup> wife of Sir Geo. Treby, Speaker of the English House of Commons. James Standish m<sup>d</sup> 2<sup>ndly</sup>, Hannah Coxe, of Dublin, the M.L. being dated 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov. 1675, and by her had two daughters, Rachel and Hannah, who died before their mother. He died in London in 1695, leaving everything by will to his wife. Her voluminous will was proved 16 April, 1698.

II. Joseph Standish (Certif. Adventurer) of St Mary's Lane, Oxmantown, 1666, m<sup>d</sup> — and had issue—I. James Standish of Dublin, Midshipman on H.M.S. the Triumph, 1661, dec<sup>d</sup> before 1698, m<sup>d</sup> Ann Cox (?) who survived him, and had issue—I. James Standish of Wood St<sup>r</sup>, Dublin, Intest. 6 April, 1732, m<sup>d</sup> Rebecca Deacon and had issue—1. Joseph Standish, bap. St Andrew's, Dub., 17 March, 1699, ob. inf. 2. Rev<sup>d</sup> John Standish, Clk., born about 1701, educated in Dublin, entered T.C.D., March 17, 1720, B.A. 1724, M.A. 1727, curate of Maralin, Co. Down, 1730—1766, Rector of Seapatrik, 1766—1776; will pr. Mar. 17, 1776. 3. James Standish, Bap. St Brides', Sept. 4, 1704, dec<sup>d</sup> before John. 4. Deacon Standish, goldsmith, of Aungier St<sup>r</sup>, Dublin, Freeman, Dub., 1738, born c. 1707, will pr. 1791, bur. St Kevin's Churchyard, where there is a stone to his memory. He m<sup>d</sup> three times. By his first wife Lydia, bur<sup>d</sup> Kildare in 1763, he had a son John, bap. St Andrew's, Dub., 19 April, 1750, ob. inf. He m<sup>d</sup> 2<sup>ndly</sup> Eliz. King 1779, and 3<sup>rdly</sup>, 1785, Sarah, sister to David Ryan of Leighlin Bridge, w. pr. 1801. 5. Henry Standish, seal graver, of Great Ship St<sup>r</sup>, 1735, Freeman, Dub., 1721, Churchwarden of St Werburghs', 1731 and 1739, afterwards of Drumcondra and Rathbeggan, adm. gr. 29 July, 1793, intest. He m<sup>d</sup> Susanna — ab<sup>t</sup> 1729 and had issue—(1) Anne, bap. St Mary's, Dub., 29 Sept., 1730; (2) James, bap. St Werburghs', June, 1733, d.y.; (3) James, bap. St Brides', June 12, 1735, of the Treasury, d. unmd., intest. 1807; (4) John, Jeweller of Fade St<sup>r</sup>, d. intest., bur. 23 April, 1797, at St Bride's, m<sup>d</sup> Lydia Mason and had issue—[1] John, of Rathbeggan, m<sup>d</sup> Harriet Reid, 1812, and had issue—1a, Sophia, m<sup>d</sup> in 1839 John Wilkinson, of Curtistown, Co. Meath (both dec<sup>d</sup>), and had issue—Harriet, dec<sup>d</sup>; John, m<sup>d</sup> Katherine Ann, dau. of Rich<sup>d</sup> Handly, of Fermoy. He died 1904, leaving two daus., Ethel and Olive, and one son, John, now owner of Rathbeggan; Sarah; Henry Standish, dec<sup>d</sup>; Robert, dec<sup>d</sup>; George, of Ringlestown, Co. Meath, m<sup>d</sup> 1907, Florence Kennedy, dau. of John Galt Smith, of Kilwaughter Castle, Larne, and New York; Sophia; Edmond, dec<sup>d</sup>; Eliz<sup>th</sup>; Walter, dec<sup>d</sup>; Frederick, dec<sup>d</sup>; Kathleen, m<sup>d</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> G. F. Wayland, of Dublin, 2<sup>ndly</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Yeates, of Grangemount, Balbriggan; Caroline; 2a, Henry Standish, of Rathbeggan, born 1815, died unmd.,



1885; 3a, Edmund; 4a, George, m<sup>a</sup> and went to America, d.s.p.; 5a, James, of Rathbeggan, d. unm<sup>a</sup>; 6a, Frederick, of Rathbeggan, dec<sup>d</sup>, s.p.; 7a, Harriet, d.y.; 8a, Elizabeth Lydia, m<sup>a</sup> 1851, Thos. Moyers, Solicitor, of Dublin, and had issue—W<sup>m</sup>, dec<sup>d</sup>; Eliz<sup>th</sup> Maria, m<sup>a</sup> R. Reid, both dec<sup>d</sup>; Standish Mason; Edw<sup>d</sup> Crawford; Christina, m<sup>a</sup> R. Wharton, of Dublin; John Draper; Harriet Susan, dec<sup>d</sup>; Ada Louisa, m<sup>a</sup> R. White; Maria Francis, m<sup>a</sup> G. Barns; Lousinda, dec<sup>d</sup>; George Thomas.

John and Lydia Standish had issue—[2] Henry, died April 22, 1787; [3] Henry Deacon, m<sup>a</sup> Mary Reid, 1818, and left descendants, now in Liverpool; [4] Sophia, dec<sup>d</sup> June 19, 1794; [5] Susanna, m<sup>a</sup> Thos. Mason, her cousin, 1808, and had issue—1a, Thos. Mason, Optician, who m<sup>a</sup> and had issue Thos. Mason, of Dublin, Optician; 2a, John Mason, Solicitor, Dublin, m<sup>a</sup> and had issue—1, Eldon Mason; 2, John Mason, M.D.; 3, Standish Mason; all of Dublin.

3a, Sophia Mason, m<sup>a</sup> John Holmes, 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb., 1828, and had issue—1b, Thomas, d. unm<sup>a</sup>; 2b, Susanna, m<sup>a</sup> John Goodwin; 3b, Lydia, d. unm<sup>a</sup>; 4b, James; 5b, John, dec<sup>d</sup>, married 1<sup>stly</sup>, Sophia Mary Day; 2<sup>ndly</sup> Sarah A. Yeates. By his first wife he had issue—(1) Rev<sup>d</sup> John George Frederick Holmes, M.A.T.C.D., Vicar St Michael's, Shrewsbury; (2) Georgina Lucy Eliz<sup>th</sup>. 6b, Seacome M. Holmes, m<sup>a</sup> Jane Flavelle, and has issue—Olive, Grace, Henry, Stanley Fred; 7b, John F.; 8b, Mary.

4a, Standish Mason, m<sup>a</sup> Esther Franklin, 1835, and went to America.

5a, Seacome Mason, m<sup>a</sup> Charlotte Augusta Yeates, 1842.

John and Lydia Standish had [6] Martha, dec<sup>d</sup> 1798.

Henry and Susanna Standish had issue—(5) Christiana, m<sup>a</sup> John Ball, of Dorset Str, Dublin, and of the Custom House, and had issue—Henry, Robert, Charles, and Susanna, of whom Robert m<sup>a</sup> Editha Gurly and had Jemima, m<sup>a</sup> Thos. N. Wright.

JAMES and REBECCA Standish had issue—7. Rebecca, born 1715. 8. Alicia, born 1716, m<sup>a</sup> Richard Wolfe, of Baronrath, Co. Kildare, and d. May, 1754, bur<sup>d</sup> in Naas Church, leaving issue—1. W<sup>m</sup> Standish Wolfe, whence are descended the Wolfes of Co. Tipperary. 2. Anne, wife of Robert French.

Henry Standish, of Rathbeggan, and his wife Susanna, had issue—(4) Henry, Deputy Clerk of the Rolls, 1800, w. pr. 1813, m<sup>a</sup> Frances Diana Obreé, and had issue—1, Major Henry Standish; 2, John, bap. 7 Jan., 1766; 3, Ralph; 4, Francis; 5, Frances Diana, m<sup>a</sup> Edw<sup>d</sup> Herbert, Archd<sup>n</sup>; 6, Ann; 7, Celia; 8, Mary Olivia, m<sup>a</sup> Rev<sup>d</sup> Bastable Herbert.

JAMES Standish and Ann, his wife, had issue—II. Joseph; III. Henry, d. 1741; IV. Anne, m<sup>a</sup> Benjm Rainsford, M<sup>t</sup> Shaskin, Leixlip; V. Jane, m<sup>a</sup> 1697, W<sup>m</sup> Payne, and had issue.

JOSEPH Standish, of Dublin, had issue—II. John Standish, of Greyfriars, London, and Hatton Garden, Citizen of London, w. pr. 1716, leaving issue by Lettice, his wife, 1, James Standish, gent., of London, dec<sup>d</sup> s.p.; 2, John, Citizen and Draper, of London, m<sup>d</sup> Eliz<sup>th</sup>; 3, Charles, bap. 1687, dec<sup>d</sup> 1720; 4, Jonathan, bap. 1693; 5, Eliz<sup>th</sup>; 6, Rachel, bap. 1687, m<sup>d</sup> Collison; 7, Hannah, bap. 1694.

John Standish, of Greyfriars, had a dau. Mary, who m<sup>d</sup> Thorpe, and had 3 daus.

#### Notes on the GURLEY FAMILY of Wexford and Carlow.

James Gourly of Wexford, probably a native of Cumberland, fled to Chester in 1688, died 1691, buried in Wexford, July 28th. He m<sup>d</sup> and had issue John Gurley, m<sup>d</sup> and had issue—1. Marg<sup>th</sup>, bap. 1700; 2. John, bap. 1705; 3. James Gurley, m<sup>d</sup> Miss Rathburne and had issue (1) Thomas, (2) Rathburne, living in 1797 at Dublin.

Thomas Gurly, born c 1730, died 1797; Solicitor, 1755; J.P. Co. Carlow, m<sup>d</sup> 11 Oct., 1756, Elizabeth, dr. of Joshua Tench of Wexford and his wife Frances Richards of Rathaspeck, and had issue.

[1] Thomas Gurly, Jun<sup>r</sup>, born c 1760, died 14 April, 1816, Registrar of Leighlin Dio., m<sup>d</sup> Elizabeth McDonogh, born 1761, died 1821, and by her had issue—1. Sarah, bap. Sept. 12, 1790, m<sup>d</sup> Wm Box, and had issue 3 drs; 2. Hannah, born April 19, 1791, brought up in the R.C. Church, became a Nun at Maryborough Convent in 1824, as Mother Augustine she founded a Presentation Convent at Stradbally in 1860, and died on 13th April, 1872; 3. Thomas Gurly, of the H.M. Customs, Kingston, Ontario, m<sup>d</sup> and had issue (1) Mary, m<sup>d</sup> Capt. Rich<sup>d</sup> Barrow of Darley Dale, Matlock; (2) Walter John of Pittsburg, U.S.A., dec<sup>d</sup>

4. Walter Bagenal Gurly, born 1800, died 1885, m<sup>d</sup> firstly Miss Whitcroft, and had issue—(1) Walter John, Surgeon at Leyton, dec<sup>d</sup> s.p.; (2) Elizabeth, m<sup>d</sup> George Shaw, of Dublin, and has had issue—George Bernard Shaw, of London, the well-known writer and Playwright, m<sup>d</sup> Miss Payne-Townsend; Lucy Shaw, m<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Butterfield.

5. Mary Gurly, died unm<sup>d</sup>

[2] Editha Gurly, m<sup>d</sup> in July, 1802, Robert Ball, Solicitor, of Dublin, and had issue.

[3] James Gurly, Lieut., m<sup>d</sup> Ann Trydell, of Cork, who died Sept., 1802.

[4] Frances, m<sup>d</sup> John Nunn Richards, 2 Aug., 1816.

[5] Elizabeth, bap. 1767, m<sup>d</sup> 1<sup>stly</sup>, Lieut. George Woods, 2<sup>ndly</sup>, Col. Duesp; 3<sup>rdly</sup>, Thomas Keck.

[6] Bagenal Gurly, bap. 1769, died 1796, m<sup>d</sup> Jemima Bernard, 1793.

[7] Mary, bap. 1771, m<sup>d</sup> 1<sup>stly</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Carpenter; 2<sup>ndly</sup>, Surgeon Wm Young, 10th Regiment, and had issue—Mary Campbell Young, who m<sup>d</sup> Thos. Ball, of Dublin, her cousin.

[8] Margaret, bap. July 27, 1774, d. unm<sup>d</sup>

[9] Esther, born 1775, m<sup>d</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 19, 1797, Surgeon Thomas Coates, of the 5th Dragoon Guards, and after of Salisbury, and had issue—Surgeon Wm Coates, of Salisbury; Surgeon Mervyn Coates, of Malvern; Eliza Coates m<sup>d</sup> Chas. Bassett Roe, of Ryde and London, and had issue 4 sons and 4 drs.