THE IRISH PALATINES

RESEARCH OF THE MICH/DAB (Micks/Doupe) families by ALBERTA CALLENDER 1709/2000. & a short History including the Palatines arrival on the Southwell Estate at Rathkeale.

What prompted a people to uproot their families and flee to a distant country in the year 1709? WAR and HUNGER and RELIGIOUS PERSECUTION such as continues in the World to-day in this year of 2000. A people living in the PALATINATE – the Pfaltz - Heald’s of GERMANY, some of whose ancestors had already fled there from other European and Scandinavian countries, to escape from the French armies who were burning and pillaging their homes, plus two severe winters which destroyed the Grape Harvest – many of them being Vinedressers.

1648 saw the end of the 30 years War which had ruined the German provinces when King Louis of France decided to annex the Palatinate and 1685 saw him revoke the Edict of Nantes which guaranteed the religious and political freedoms enjoyed by Protestants. Exorbitant Taxes were levied and weary of War and cold the failure of the Grape Harvest was the final straw.

On a visit to Heidelberg some years ago I was told a somewhat romantic story (and I have since read a somewhat similar account in Caroline Book on the Palatines of Ontario). “The Palatinate – Kurpfalz Region – was one of the most advanced States in Europe. Elector Karl Ludwig married his daughter Liselotte to the brother of Louis XIV (known as the Sun King) of France in the hope of extending the influence of the Palatinate, and when his son died without an heir in 1685 Louis claimed the territory of the left bank of the Rhine and the Orleans Wars ensued (1688-1697). This was how a German State came to be ruled over by a French King”. The following years saw great unrest and religious persecution and when the severe Winters of 1708-9 destroyed the Grape Harvest their thoughts turned to emigration. In 1677 William Penn had visited the Palatinate and told that there would be a welcome for any families who wished to emigrate and colonize the land. NOW it was remembered – word spread and thousands elected to find a new life in the New World of Canada and America. And so, in April 1709, gathering together only what possessions they could carry, the journey down the Rhine began, travelling in Scows – flat bottomed boats – just as the Armies of Louis were destroying the towns of the Lower Palatinate, Forbidden to leave, many perished. Fees and tolls had to be paid – there were chains across the river at Toll Castles (which you may still see to-day) and they had to rely on gifts of food along the way (though sometimes THEY were robbed). In April 1709 they started on their journey to Rotterdam and it was reported that one thousand refugees were arriving in Rotterdam every day. by early June. Queen Anne of England sent ships (mostly troop ships of the Duke of Marlborough) Her great-aunt had married the Elector Palatine and their daughter Sophia was married to the Elector of Hanover. Sophia was Queen Ann’s Heiress Presumptive and her son was eventually to become King George I. so Queen Ann had an interest in the Palatinate. Instructions were given for Lists to be made (known as the Rotterdam Lists) Landing at Deptford they were sent to Camps on the Commons of Camberwell...
and Blackheath and Greenwich where they were housed in Warehouses and Tents and given food and clothing. On Sundays people came to look at “the poor Palatines” and some brought gifts of food and bought the Toys which some of the Palatines made. Even though the Government offered to pay anybody who would take the Palatines into their homes there was little response and an Appeal was made for funds. Three hundred thousand pounds was collected countrywide – which in those days was a great deal of money. But soon they came to be resented – especially by the poorer classes who considered they were taking the bread out of THEIR mouths! Twice a day they gathered for prayers, using barrels as Pulpits and as it is often under the most extreme conditions that the strongest human bonds are formed and couples fall in love, during their sojourn in London many marriages were performed. Sleeping as they were on straw – even though changed periodically – there was also great overcrowding which resulted in disease and hundreds are said to have died, resulting in mass burials. Inevitably, resentment grew when there was no sign of the Palatines leaving.

Eventually a Committee was appointed to find settlement for families and the Earl of Wharton, then Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and whose wife was a lady-in-waiting to the Queen, petitioned the Queen to send as many families as she should think fit to settle on the large Estates in Ireland. More than 800 families elected to go – over three thousand souls. On the 8th of August 1709 a London Newspaper reported that on that day several wagons with Palatine men, women and children, had passed through the city on their way to Chester to embark for Ireland. Travelling expenses were provided with a small sum of money to help them on their way and they left for Chester on the West Coast of England – the women and children on wagons with their few possessions and the men walking. But even then some 245 persons were reported as dying on the way as it was a long and exhausting journey of over 100 miles and they were glad to sleep in the stables provided by sympathetic people. At Chester they embarked for Dublin. Once more they found themselves encamped near a city under dreadful conditions amongst a hostile people. Every advantage was taken of the poor foreigners who spoke no English or Irish and did not understand the values of money they had been given, and the Lord Mayor of Dublin had to issue a proclamation ordering fair treatment of the Palatines. Once again they suffered hunger as the money which the Government advanced was not sufficient to sustain them.

Amongst the Landlords (42 in all) who had offered to settle the Palatines on their Estates was one Sir Thomas Southwell. Lady Southwell had been a lady-in-waiting to the Queen and her husband had been favoured with a very large grant of land at Castlematrix near Rathkeale. Interested in the Linen Industry he asked that mostly Weavers would be sent to him and his wife elected to set up an Industry for their wives, - the 65 weavers among the refugees were sent to Ireland. The remains of the Weaving Sheds and Millrace may still be seen to-day outside the Castle wall by the River Deel. The Government undertook to pay Lord Southwell the rent and each family was granted 8 acres – leased for 50 years or three lives – at five shillings per acre. He agreed to supply them with timber to build their houses, -. This arrangement was initially for 20 years to encourage the Palatines to stay. They were also given a Musket – known as a Queen Anne – for defence, but there is no record that they were ever used (not even in 1829
when there was some ill feeling towards them). They were also enrolled in the free Yeomanry of the country and were known as the True Blues or German Fusiliers. The Government, however, were slow to reimburse Lord Southwell and in 1716 he had to threaten to evict the Palatines and seize their stock unless the King “was graciously pleased”: to advance payment.

Many of the Palatines who had remained behind in Dublin returned to England and many more had returned to their homeland from Rotterdam.

From 1711 they grew restless - lifestyle was not as good as they expected and The Great Scattering as it was known, continued for many years.

On the Census of Palatines encamped at London was 35 year old HENRY MICH, his wife and sons of 9 and 5 and daughters 12 and 7 and it is from this family that the Irish Palatine Mick-Micks is descended. A MICH registered as having been born in 1674 – the correct age for 35 year old Henry – was living at Nantenan in 1766. One of his sons, John, would be the father of Henry who married Elizabeth Teskey, and to whom we can trace back our ancestry. A Henry Mick is mentioned in the Groves Papers (Genealogical Office, Dublin Castle) as being head of a Palatine family and on 29-2-1720 a Henry Nick (?) is recorded as being on the Southwell Estate in County Limerick. There is also mention of a Mathew Mick on the List of 13-2-1715.. as is also Henry.

RECORDS in the Pfalz record that Johan Hendrig Mich, Bayern, Pfalz married Rosina Sydonia Zugehaer on 14-2-1696. also of Bayern, Pfalz. They had a daughter in 1697, a son 1700 a daughter 1702 and a son in 1704. Johan Henry’s father was a Frederick cl652 Bayern, Pfalz. married there in 1673. This may not be our HENRY but the dates and those of the children are very significant.

It is a tragedy that all Records were burnt in the Troubles of 1922 in Dublin and it is difficult to trace with certainty the Founder of ANY Palatine Irish family, one can only examine the remaining Records. The MICH who arrived in London in the 3rd Party of Palatines – according to Hank Z. Jones Book – are as follows:-
HENRY MINK his wife and four children – Rotterdam Lists.
HANS HENDRIG MINK his wife and five children – also Rotterdam Lists. We do not know what became of these two families – they may have returned to their homeland.
FREDERICK MICK aged 65 with his wife, sons 23 and 18 and daughters 28 and 26 – this family were Roman Catholic and at least one Book I have read credits him as being in Ireland but there is no evidence to back it up.
JOHN MICK with his wife, aged 23 (Census of Palatines In England)

HENRY MICK aged 35 with his wife, sons 9 and 5 and daughters 12 and 7 LONDON LISTS was proven to have been one of the Palatines chosen for the Southwell Estate, but we do not know how many more children they afterwards had – as they were both comparatively young.
Frederick Mick was registered as a Freeholder of Ballingrane in 1747, 1755 and 1759 (Henry’s younger son??) and Leonard was listed in Ballingrane townland in 1759 on the Religious Census of Protestants for the Parish of Nantenan in 1766.

At the end of the 50 year Lease a small party of Palatines originally from the Southwell Estate, sailed for America in 1756 while in 1760 the most famous of all Palatines, Barbara Ruckle (Ruttle) Heck and Philip Embury, who together founded Methodism in America, were in a party which left from Limerick Docks on the ship PERY bound for New York. Barbara;’s brother Daniel was grandfather of Elizabeth Teskey who in 1801 married Henry Mick (my ancestor). And their mother was Embury. Barbara persuaded Philip to hold Services to combat the vices of drinking and swearing, which had become rife, in his own house. The first “congregation” consisted of 5 persons, including their black servant Betty. Perhaps they bought Betty at the slave Auctions which they saw at the dockside when they disembarked at New York! There are now over 14 million Methodists in America and a similar number in Canada.

The Palatines were not necessarily all of German descent as previous generations had themselves come from Scandinavia and adjoining European countries as refugees, mostly of Calvinist and Lutheran persuasions and they were joined by Roman Catholics, Mennonites from Switzerland, Moravians and the Pennsylvanian Dutch. (The Mennonites introduced mixed farming to Germany). Moravians settled in the North of Ireland and to-day they still have a Church on the outskirts of Ballymena, its spire the same as those to be seen on old Churches in Germany. It is plain and well cared for – the Pulpit being raised very high from the floor. Their houses are built in a square, more modern and pretty, and they still have their own Clergyman.

On arrival at Castlematrix on the Southwell Estate cottages were built – in a square – and then kitchen gardens were laid out and fruit trees planted. They had Beehives to fertilize the plants and trees. Villages were also built at Ballingrane, Courtmatrix and Killahaheen and it was in Ballingrane that our MICKS family settled. The Palatines introduced the wheeled plough and planted Potatoes in drills instead of the “lazybeds” used by their Irish neighbours. and vegetables, almost unknown in Ireland, were grown. Flax for spinning was grown, as was also wheat, oats and hemp. Geese were kept in the orchards to fertilize the ground and they in turn fed on the apples which fell to the ground. The Palatines were said to “sleep between two beds” down-feather quilts from the geese which they kept and which were the forerunner of the Duvets as we know them to-day. They also appointed a Burgomaster to whom they took their problems and as time went by people showed great respect for the “gentle Irish who spoke German” a language which eventually died out. The women worked beside their husbands and kept their homes well. Beekeping was much favoured – my Uncle (William Leonard Micks) was an expert and often called to see to the Hives which their owners daren’t do in case of being attacked by the Bees! Badly crippled with Arthritis he would sit between his Hives keeping an eye on them through a spyglass!

Missing their Vineyards, the Palatines turned to making Cider and my own grandfather was an expert. The Ciderstone which he used to crush the apples was still in the garden – unbroken – in my childhood and I used it to “play house”. The Cider was known as “Cack-a-Ge” (Gay – ge – being the Irish word for Geese) and Cacka – well – a name
chosen in jest! Some Palatines also settled in Kilcooley on the Tipperary/Kilkenny border and are still there. There is a road perhaps a mile long – known as Palatine Street. The houses are fine two-storey, slated, and in large farmyards surrounded by sheds and still standing if not occupied. A settlement at Carlow also has its Palatine Street as had Pallasgreen in County Limerick.

Abel Ram in Wexford took 35 Palatine families on his Estate but in 1798 they were mostly the victims of a holocaust when in the Rebellion they were rounded up and herded into a Barn which was then set alight and men, women and children perished. Their homes, livestock and all their possessions were also burned and those who had escaped had only what they stood up in when they fled. The “Whiteboys” had decided that the Palatines were supporting the English Government. A few years ago when staying with a friend in Wexford I went looking for Old Ross, but there was nothing to be seen and anybody I asked had never heard of a Palatine Settlement. There are, however, several families of Palatine origin still living in Co. Wexford.

Over the years the German pronunciation was replaced by a more Anglicised version – as in the case of my grandparents Mich and Duab (Doupe) though still pronounced “Dobe”. Some of the American and Canadian families still pronounce their names MICK while Irish families have added an S. My mother always called her mother by the German sounding “Mutti” though it never occurred to me to ask why – maybe the rest of the family did also but I never noticed!

By far the largest Settlement was at the Southwell Estate and the Southwells lived in Castlematrix Castle. The founder of the Micks family settled at Nantenan Ballingrane and eventually their descendants moved over an area of approximately 10 miles – to the parish of Ardcanny, Nantenan, Ballingrane, Rathkeale, Adare and Ballingarry from the Ardgoul townland. So it can be taken that all of that name are in some way related, as are the Doupes..

The Mich-Mick-Micks family were fortunate in the draw for Landlords in that they were assigned to the Southwell Estate – only “emigrating” to the Bury estate at Ardcanny and adjoining areas. In 1729 there were still 103 families settled on the Southwell estate. Some families subsequently moved to the Quin estate at Adare – several more settled in Kerry and the Oliver Estate at Kilfinane. The Bury estate was at Newmarket – now known as Pallaskenry. But in the main, families seem to have stuck together.

NOTES:
Having survived the 39 years War of 1618-45 only to be plunged into another War in 1674 at the hands of the French they were influenced by the promise of what came to be known as the Golden Book which was circulated in the Palatinate., a volume with a picture of Queen Anne and the title pages in letters of gold, promising transport from England to the Colonies. And William Penn’s visit to the Palatinate inviting emigrants to Pennsylvania was also remembered but the deciding factors were the terrible Winters of 1708 & 9 which ravished Europe destroying the vines on which
they depended for their livelihood and their families facing starvation. Villages were emptying and the Elector issued an Edict forbidding people to leave. And so it was that the heads of families got together and taking only what they could carry they stole away in the night. Some riverside towns attempted to extract a Travel Tax and the Toll Castles had chains across the river preventing any passage until the Tolls were paid. – you can still see them. On arrival at Rotterdam they had expected to be transferred immediately to ships and to set sail for the New World, but when they arrived there was a long delay and many of them had to exist on charity and they were housed in shacks. Orders were given to make Lists of all families sailing to England (The Rotterdam Lists). Many were turned back from Rotterdam but eventually over 13,000 arrived in England. (3000 were sent back) Here again an attempt was made to List all families (The London Lists) They were glad to accept menial jobs – if they could get them - and only one quarter of those who had hoped to arrive in America were eventually able to do so

Sir Walter Raleigh was a friend of the Southwells and often visited. It was he who had introduced the POTATO – which originated in the South American country of CHILE - to Ireland when he brought the first Tubers to Youghal in the south of Ireland and obviously saved some for his friend, - from Youghal and Castlematrix they spread throughout the country and became the staple food of the rural population. In the mid-1700s the population of Ireland was only 2.5 million. By the mid-1800s when the Great Famine came the population was 9 million. Credit for the big rise in population is given to the Potato – better nutrition, greater fertility meaning bigger families. Ten times before Famine had struck Ireland but it was not a wide-spread Famine and the country survived. It was the complete failure of the crop in 1845-47 together with the severest winter in living memory, that decimated the population and the population to-day is but 3.5 million. The Potato Murrin crossed the Atlantic to Europe – France, Holland, and Belgium were badly affected as was England, before it arrived in Ireland and spread quickly throughout the country. Potatoes were mostly grown on conacre – a portion of land which was rented to grow a crop on which the rural population then existed for the whole year.

NOTE: When the Potato Murrin first appeared nobody knew what it was – Blight – and it was said to have crossed the Atlantic in the STEAMSHIPS. It took six days for a SAILINGSHIP to cross the Atlantic and pass through the doldrums where the colossal heat quickly killed the bacteria and fungus but the Steamships could pass through the doldrums in one day whatever the weather so the Potatoes would be full of disease. The spraying of Bluestone which killed it was at that time – the 1800s - unknown. Between 1816 and 1842 there had been 14 failures of the Potato crop. But in 1845 it took over the whole country. – black spots on the leaves overnight and a sickening smell pervaded. as the tuber rotted.

The Government instituted a Relief Scheme – mostly work on the new Railways and road-making, to provide the most needy people with money to buy food. But it was short-term and insufficient, and people - particularly in the West of Ireland, starved. (Land in the West of Ireland is barren and stoney).
Note: It is hard to believe that the same system of road-making was in operation in the 1930s when I can remember – as a child – driving past a group of unemployed men – some young Palatines – sitting at a road junction breaking stones with a heavy hammer and piling them high in a square which was then measured at the end of their day and paid for “by the yard”. Roads in Ireland were mostly limestone and dust rose in a cloud as you travelled. – men on bicycles on Sunday mornings going to Church and who usually wore navy-blue suits would arrive home covered in the white limestone dust!

When Indian meal was brought in to feed the starving in the West of Ireland the problem was transport. It was flint meal and required many hours of boiling to make it palatable but up to the time when Dealers put up the price it was available at a penny and twopence a pound. It also should have been ground twice and this was not always done, - also it was rationed, there was never enough and whole families starved.

In the 1840s more than 40% of rural cabins consisted of just one room. Wooden rafters were covered with sods of earth and then thatched with straw. Some had no windows or chimneys – the smoke just went out through the door! I can remember seeing the last of these cabins in the late 1920s, unoccupied and falling down, on our way to the seaside of Ballybunion. On the Beara Peninsula in Co. Cork/Kerry you can still see the remains of small houses and you would wonder how people had survived in such isolated places.

Women and children were barefoot – I can recall seeing children run barefoot from the lanes in Limerick during the 1920s/early 1930s. Women wore black shawls (we referred to them as Shawly women!) But throughout all the famine years it is said that Beer, Whiskey and the illegally-made Poitin were very cheap!
In 1849 there was an outbreak of Cholera (there was also one in 1813 according to the Church Record Book) The cities were overcrowded where rural people had gone to find work.

TRANSPORT; Watt had invented a Steam Engine in 1769. In 1825 Stevenson had invented the first Steamengine which would run a train. The first Railway in Ireland ran from Dublin to Kingstown (now Dunlaoghaire) just six miles, in 1834, followed by a connection which ran to Belfast in Northern Ireland. The only mode of transport was horse and car-wagon – or by walking. Ports on the West of Ireland – Sligo etc. – were hard to enter. Stage and Mail Coaches operated from the mid 1870s between the major cities. In the more populated part of Ireland an Italian emigrant named Bianconi started a Stagecoach service from Limerick and in 1815 had over 100 coaches which carried the mail and passengers. In 1845 the Railways had risen to 123 miles with 164 under construction, providing work.

Some Historians blame the Famine on Landlords. The lands of Ireland were mostly owned by Landlords who rented out parcels of land to their tenants. Some were good Landlords – but some were absentee owners who did not live in the country and felt neither responsible nor generous, - it was left to their Agents to collect the rents. And some of the Landlords were deeply in debt themselves and depended on rents to reduce it. Cattle-grazing was becoming the most profitable method of farming and it suited Landlords to be rid of their tenants to clear the land. Some – mainly the absentee owners of course – resorted
to eviction. The local Constabulary were given the job of evicting the people and their few possessions from their cabins, which were then thrown down and burned, leaving them destitute and homeless. Their only shelter would be the workhouses and these, already overflowing, were not always able to take them in.

Some Landlords put their hands in their pockets and paid for food – Lord Monteagle, whose estate ran from Shanagolden to Mount Trenchard near Tarbert on the banks of the Shannon, was one of these. (He was one time Chancellor of the Exchequer in the British Government). Soup Kitchens were established, mainly at the instigation of the Society of Friends – Quakers and “Protestants” (i.e., any religious persuasion which was not Roman Catholic) They were referred to as Soupers, (even in my young day children, seeing me coming out of a “Protestant School”, would call after me “Proddy woddy ring the bell; call the Soupers down to hell” – and I would reply “You drank the Soup!” and run quickly away) Children can be so cruel to one another! A local Limerick newspaper reported weekly on donations for Famine Relief and always, every week, would be a donation from the Quaker Society of Friends, money, clothes or food.

FAMINE; Napoleon had “cornered” the Timber supplies from Russia and Scandinavia and supplies had to be brought from Canada – at that time a sparsely populated country. The ships returned there in ballast. Many people who could raise the few pounds necessary for the fare – or helped by Landlords who were anxious to unload their responsibility for their tenants - were anxious to emigrate to the New World and the Government was anxious to colonize the country. Some of these ships, overloaded and unseaworthy, foundered and hundreds perished – they became known as Coffin Ships. There was never enough food or water to last the long voyage of six to nine weeks and fever would break out on board. Any ship which arrived at Quebec with fever on board was ordered to stand off, which prolonged the agony of the emigrants. But the goal of the people was the United States of America, and it was easy enough to cross the border – life was too hard and cold in Canada! On 24th of April 1846 the ship LORD SYDENHAM arrived in Quebec with 700 passengers from Limerick, who were reported as being “All Respectable”. Were any of our Palatine relations aboard? In the mid-1800s the rate of emigration was said to be 200,000 each year. 1851 saw the highest figure ever of 250,000. The poorest emigrants had been promised a pound plus food and clothing on their arrival in Canada, but this in most cases did not materialise and many died on arrival.

Employment in Ireland had been almost nil – rural workers would have been paid only eight or nine pence per day – city employees received eight or nine shillings per week.

NOTE; A Limerick Timber Merchant, Francis Spaight, who had an estate - Derry Castle – near Killaloe (some 15 miles from Limerick on the Shannon) was a large Importer of Canadian Timber. The Limerick firm which bears his name was still in existence up to the end of the 20th Century. Well run, his ships took many emigrants to Canada.

Emigrant Ships had to stop at Grosse I’le on the St. Lawrence River for the emigrants to be medically examined. In 1998 I was taken to visit there when with a party from Limerick Diocese we paid an exchange visit to our twinned Diocese of New Hampshire.
We travelled out by boat and it was bitterly cold – imagine what it must have been like for the poor half-starved emigrants inadequately clothed and ill, and who had lost some of their family on the long voyage. We saw the remains of the Hospital where they would have lain and where many died and the graves where they are buried. As many names as possible are recorded and I was able to tell that a family named BIBLE, (Palatines), of whom it was said “nothing was known nor where they came from”, had resided at Kilfinane in Limerick county. There is an Irish Memorial cross on which it said the Irish emigrants had left home to escape religious persecution, but this of course is wrong – they left to escape starvation and in the hope of a better life for themselves and their children. The island was covered in Azumac Trees and there were Guides to take us around and tell us the sad tale of the emigrants whose journey ended there. It was a sad place to contemplate. (The grandmother of Henry Ford who invented the motor car is buried there).

Note; Castlematrix Castle at Rathkeale, the home of the Southwells, was for many years in a state of disrepair. An American Colonel O’Driscoll had asked a friend, a member of the Government to let him know if they had a Castle for sale and he was offered Castlematrix after World War 2, for just two thousand pounds. With the aid of Grants he spent 30 years restoring it. Itinerants had removed everything, with the exception of the small stained glass window in the Chapel (probably due to superstition!). In 1993 when I visited, his young wife and children still lived there and her Portuguese-English father enjoyed showing people over it during the Summer months. A herd of Jacob Sheep grazed the fields. (In the 1600s Lord Southwell bred HOBBYE HORSES – said to be the ancestors of the American Morgan horse and the Quarter-Horse) and he sent a stallion and four mares to Virginia).

NOTE: One of the first breeders of pedigree Cattle to sell Pedigree Bulls to Argentina – William Talbot-Crosbie - held auctions at Ardfert in Co.Kerry, attended by Argentinean Cattle Barons, in the late 1800s.

In the early 1800s three Mills were in operation at Castlematrix – Flax, Flour and Sawmills powered by a 40 ft diameter millwheel. In the 1930s the roof, doors and windows were removed to escape taxation and for 30 years it was a veritable ruin until the early 1960s when Colonel Sean O’Driscoll of the U.S. Airforce bought it and commenced the restoration.
MICHAEL was born in the Palatinate – the Pfalz – of Germany in 1674. At the age of 35, Henry, his wife, two daughters aged 12 and 7 and two sons of 9 and 5 years old left their homeland in 1709 and were with the third party of Palatines to reach England from Rotterdam to where they had travelled down the River Rhine in flat-bottomed boats – known as scows – on what they hoped was the beginning of their emigration to the New World – America – to escape the privations of two intensely cold winters which had destroyed their Vineyards on which they mainly depended, and the persecution of the Armies of France which had over-run the Pfalz. Their names were amongst those recorded on the Census of Palatines in England in that year.

In 1715 HENRY was listed as being head of a Palatine family in Ireland, living on the Southwell Estate (pronounced Suthell) at Rathkeale in County Limerick (the property of Sir Thomas Southwell who was raised to the peerage in 1717 – and who died in 1720 at the age of 53) – Thus HENRY became the Founder of the Mich/Micks/Mick family, a family which eventually spread to America and Canada and beyond.

Due to the destruction of all Church Records in the Mansionhouse Fire in Dublin during the Troubles of 1922, we do not have either the names of his sons or whether or not he had MORE sons after his arrival in Ireland – quite possible as at 35 years of age both he and his wife were comparatively young – and British/Irish Registration was not compulsory until the year 1863 although Census was introduced in 1821. A grandson was also named Henry as Church Record 15-4-1791 records the baptism of a son Philip to a Henry/Elizabeth and the burial of a son Richard of Henry, Pallaskenry, on 29-1-1819

JOHN:
A grandson JOHN was born in c 1730-1807. He married a Mary who died 17-10-1818 and is buried in Nantenan. and HIS known sons were JOSEPH, JOHN, FREDERICK, PETER, HENRY possibly a son named ADAM also and a daughter Margaret who was baptised 5-6-1783 but died and was buried on 18-5-1784. Another Researcher includes the names of THOMAS and RICHARD.

We have a German Record (Liz Staples) – Frederick Mich c 1652 Bayern, Pfalz, who had a son Johan HENRIG MICH born l696 who on 14-2-1696 married Rosina Sydonia Zugehaer of Bayern. 4 children are recorded – all born in Bayern. In 1697 they had a
daughter; a son 1700; a daughter 1702 and a son 1704. The children’s ages are very significant—could this be our HENRY? Everything points to him!

However, absolute accuracy is impossible—Throughout the Records there are several unnamed MARYs—is it possible that MARY was used in Research when the wife’s name was unknown?

J O S E P H was born in 1750s. He joined the Army at a young age and it is unlikely that he ever returned to the home in Ardgoul. It was the custom in those days—and up to the middle of the 20th Century—for the eldest child of a family to leave home as soon as he was old enough to do so and become apprenticed to a trade (all my Micks Uncles were apprenticed to Carpenters) or to join the Army. There was an Army Barracks in Cavan and when Joseph left the Army, he returned to live in CAVAN where he married a Cavan girl (Grady). A son THOMAS was born to them in 1794 and Thomas in turn had a son ROBERT on 7-8-1825. THOMAS died when ROBERT was but six months old, aged 32, and was buried on 2l-1-1826. His wife was LUCY MERVEN (or Mervyn) whose family came to Ireland with William the Third and after the Revolution of 1688 had received a grant of land in Fermanagh (this land eventually went to the Archdale family). JOSEPH also died the same year as Thomas, aged 76, and was buried on l2-l2-1826.

In 1887/9 ROBERT had been writing to Micksburg in Ontario seeking information about his family. The correspondence was passed to James Walsh (a descendant of Joseph’s brother Peter who had emigrated there) but as he obviously had heard neither of the Palatines nor of the names MICH and SCHUMACHER (Peter’s wife) his replies were misleading. In 1922 WILLIAM a son of Robert, had written again—this time to the Rev. Henry Mick, saying he had communicated with some elderly people—in their 80s—in Cavan and they remembered Joseph as being nearly 6 ft tall—a characteristic of the Ardgoul Micks family, and knew only that he was not a native of Cavan.

SIR ROBERT MICKS 7-8-1825/7-2-1902. Married ELINOR LAWSON a sister of Chief Justice Lawson (Rt.Hon.James A. Lawson). on 29-4-1848 in Waterford. Having worked in several Government Departments in Ireland and England he rose to be Head of Customs & Excise for South Wales, a Justice of the Peace for London and the County of Kent, Commissioner of Land Tax and one time Secretary of Inland Revenue. (H.M. Customs & Excise Old Year Books Records per Dr.Don Micks, Texas,) Supervisor in Westport 1862; Collector of Taxes in Hull 1872; Collector of Taxes in Belfast 1882; Collector of Taxes Dublin 1887; Secretary of Excise 1892. in which year he was Knighted by Queen Victoria for Services to the State. He retired around 1894.

SIR ROBERT MICKS’ CHILDREN

LUCINDA ELINOR bapt. 17-4-1849 in Caernarvon, Wales (Marriage Registered 1st quarter 1869)
WILLIAM LAWSON 17-3-1851 “ “ “
MARY ELIZABETH 1-5-1853 “ “ “
(married James Harold Courtney of Waterford at Eltham, Kent)
(Nantenan Notes 8-9-1888)
ROBERT born cl858- Caernarvon died unmarried in Hull, Yorkshire, l8-2-1934 (l90l
Census says “Merchant and J.P. for East Riding of Yorkshire and his birth address as
“Plas Merfyn, Lee, Kent)
AMELIA JANE JOSEPHINE Caernarvon 12-5-1864 in Westport, Ireland (she also
married a Courtney in Waterford in 1909)

Sir Robert’s wife ELINOR, died in l864 in Westport. Co. Mayo, either in childbirth or
shortly after Amelia was born, at the age of 40.
When subsequently living in Kent in England he married again to a lady of that county
Jane Rozea (born 1826 died 1901) a daughter of Surgeon Richard Rozea. (Cousin Liz
Staples has obtained a copy of their marriage certificate – married October 9th 1866,
witness George Rozea, - Christ Church, parish of Marylebone in the Co. of Middlesex)

WILLIAM LAWSON married E.I. Meyrick. (On 14th February l895 at St. Peter
Port, Guernsey, by the Rev.George E.Lee, Rector, William Lawson Micks,Sec.to the
Congested District Board for Ireland, to Emma Isabel, youngest daughter of the late Rev.
S.H.Meyrick,Canon of St. Patrick’s Cathedral, Dublin – notice in the Limerick Chronicle
dated 19-2-1895)

ROBERT HENRY born 30-12-1895 (he died 9-2-1970_ He was a Physician and
Professor of Trinity College Dublin.(Materia Medicine). He married FANNY
GERALDINE McFETRIDGE in 1940 and they adopted two sons – DAVID and JOHN.
David married .l-ll-1969 Kilmore Cathedral, Barbara Lord of Downey Co. Cavan and had
son Duncan and daughter Janet, 1970s)

HENRIETTA LUCY birth registered lst quarter l897 in Rathdown, Ireland. Died l978.
(newspaper says birth l2-2-1879 Micks, Merrion House, Killiney, Co.Dublin, wife of
Wm.L.Micks of a daughter)

WILLIAM THEODORE birth registered 3rd QUARTER l898, Rathdown, married Violet
Robson (father medical practitioner- M.B) (died l0-3-1969 Dublin)

EDWARD CHRISTOPHER – Birth registered lst Quarter l90l (he died suddenly in
Scotland on 5-l0-1973, according to a Newspaper cutting. The funeral was strictly private –
no flowers – and there was to be a Memorial Service at a later date in St. Patrick’s
Cathedral, Dublin). He became a Kings’ Counsellor – a Barrister – and assisted the
Representative Church Body with their Legal affairs – I remember my mother speaking
of him.

Their father, WILLIAM LAWSON was apparently Local Government Board
Inspector of Infirmary and other public buildings for Limerick and Clare for two years
and acting LGBI for Tipperary (Nantenan Newspaper Notes 6-ll-1888) and then
transferred to Londonderry. Newspaper notes refer to him as “most courteous … held in
high esteem” and I have seen mention of him in Co. Limerick Newspaper Records as having attended the Society Wedding of George H. Pentland to Ms. Jessie Frances Barrington when amongst the extensive Wedding Present List (2-2-1889) he was the presenter of “a gold Shamrock Brooch”

His son WILLIAM THEODORE was a noted Surgeon at St. Patrick Dunne’s Hospital Dublin from 1927-62 and was Consultant Surgeon at the Royal Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital. He had two children – BIDDY who was severely handicapped (her family did not understandably wish to be approached for family information when contacted several years ago) and ROBERT who was married with three children – Patricia 1964, Maureen 1966, and Christopher 1970. They are thought to be in Canada.

Dean Maurice Talbot of St. Mary’s Cathedral Limerick and onetime Curate of Nantenan and Rathkeale, knew the brothers well and agrees with this family information. Copies of Sir Robert’s letters and those of his son William, written to Micksburg, were in Canadian and American researcher files, but it was only when the late Prof. Dr. Don Micks of Texas sent me the original citation regarding his Knighthood that my cousin (Liz Staples, g.-daughter of Richard Lambert Micks) and I researched the family properly.

WILLIAM LAWSON’S work as LGBI:
QUESTIONNAIRE FOR CONGESTED DISTRICTS BOARD base-line survey:
As undertaken by LGBIs
1. Extent of district, whether inland or maritime.
2. Average quantity of land cultivated on holdings at and under 4 pounds valuation under potatoes, oats, greencrops and meadow.
3 Extent of mountain or moor grazing.
4 Whether land could be reclaimed and added to adjoining holdings.
5 Possibility of migration
6 Method of cultivation etc.
7 Information with regard to livestock and poultry.
8 Markets and fairs for the sale of cattle and produce and for the purchase of supplies.
9 Rail, steamer, boat, road, post al and telegraph facilities.
10 Employment for labourers in the district
11 Migratory labour and earnings
12 Weaving, knitting, spinning and sewing.
13 Kelp and seaweed
14 Sale of turf – and nature and extent of bog
15 Lobster fishing, number of men and boats employed
16 Sea fishing
17 Number and class of boats employed in fishing or carrying turf or seaweed
18 Fish – whether used at home or sold
19 Fish curing
20 Piers and harbours
21 Salmon and freshwater fisheries
22 Bank and loan funds
Minerals and other resources
Dealings – whether cash, credit or barter
Estimated cash receipts and expenditure of a family in ordinary circumstances
Estimated money value of the products of an average holding, with other local advantages
Dietary of the people
Clothing and bedding of the people
Character, disposition, dwellings, home-life and customs of the people.
Organised efforts for the improvement of the district
Suggestions for the improvement of the district
  1 Establishment of steam and other communication
  2 Agricultural development
  3 Introduction of good breeds of livestock and poultry
  4 Development of fisheries
  5 Provision of industrial occupation for the male population during months of November, December, January and February
  6 Technical instruction of girls in needlework and kindred occupations
  7 Development of tourist traffic
  8 Migration of population and reclamation of land
  9 Promotion of minor miscellaneous occupations

The above is an example of the work which William L. Micks had to investigate as Local Government Inspector of Infirmary and other Buildings & Congested Districts Board, and of which he was appointed as First Secretary.
He was the author of HISTORY OF THE CONGESTED BOARD, Dublin, and godfather of Grania Gahan of Muriel Gahan’s family who was the main founder of the Irish Countrywomen’s Association Country Markets – Hetty Micks, his daughter, was her schoolfriend. MURIEL GAHAN it was who encouraged the handknitters of the Aran Islands to bring their beautiful Aran Knitwear to market and which is now world-famous, as well as weaving, carding and dying of wool. His name was continually appearing in Limerick Newspapers attending various Infirmary etc. Meetings.

JOHN’S SON FREDERICK;
FREDERICK was a Freeholder in 1784. He had a daughter Sarah who married John Enright in 1803. She had a son JOHN in 1804. He also had a son FREDERICK who married Catherine Baker. (daughter of Adam Baker and Ann Rose who were the grandparents of Mary who married Adam Micks) Their daughter Catherine married Robert Watson, private of 72nd Regiment, in Rathkeale on 20-5-1804 and they had a son
JAMES who married Catherine Shaughnessy in 1852. There is mention of a MATTHEW around this time and he may also have been a son.

NO FURTHER RECORD

JOHN’S SON HENRY c 1770s:

HENRY married ELIZABETH TESKEY (a daughter of Jacob born 14-9-1746) She was born 10-1-1784 and her mother was CATHERINE RUTTLE, a daughter of Daniel.. - a brother of BARBARA RUTTLE (RUCKLE) HECK who, with the family of PHILIP EMBURY had emigrated in 1760 to New York. A follower of John Wesley, Philip preached his last sermon in Ireland on the quayside at Limerick when boarding the Steamship PERY. It was in New York that Barbara persuaded him to preach again, and his first sermon was to a congregation of only five people. Checking with the U.S. Embassy in 1994 I was informed that there were then over 14 million Methodists in America and a similar number in Canada at that time. Barbara and Daniel’s mother was an EMBURY and therefore a Mick/s ancestor. (The John Street United Methodist Church in New York is on the site of the original Meeting House which was built in 1766. Original portraits of Philip Embury and his wife Margaret Switzer and of Barbara Heck are on display together with a collection of artefacts and a Clock. The original Philip Embury Pulpit is also there,) The Church was not harmed in the terrorist attack in 2001.

CHILDREN OF HENRY & ELIZABETH:  Henry, Peter, Dora, Richard, Mary Anne, Joseph, John.

HENRY born c 1801-2 (died 14-12-1881) He had married twice – firstly to Catherine Neville. (They had a son JAMES baptised on 12-7-1856 in the Roman Catholic Church, Rathkeale.) I have a Marriage Cert which says they were married in Nantenan Church 15-8-1848
His second marriage was to Catherine Buckley (a daughter of John) on 19-9-1874.
NO FURTHER RECORD.

PETER baptised 4-3-1804, married “Mary” and they had a son RICHARD baptised 9-12-1853 –
NO FURTHER RECORD

DORA 18-11-1804.
NO FURTHER RECORD

JOHN  born/bapt 25-6-1812  NO RECORD. Could he have been the JOHN who converted to Roman Catholicism in order to marry in 1868 and was he my mother’s grand-uncle rather than her uncle who was a Coachman. (See John and Mary Patt 1869 whose son John married Mary Curran in 1895. R.C. Records are not available to me.
MARY ANNE daughter of HENRY/Elizabeth Teskey, born c1812. She married JOHN HALLORAN 21-12-1847 and their son John Halloran married ELIZABETH his cousin, daughter of Joseph Micks.

RICHARD 9-3-1806 (died 28-4-1897) Married MARY LONG. (born 1821 died 21-2-1889 buried 24th)
Children: Dora; Peter; Richard; Montiford; Mary Jane; Clärenda & Charlotte twins; John; Leonard.

CHILDREN OF RICHARD & MARY LONG:

DORA baptised 1843 – unmarried, (died 2-1-1912 ) A Childerhose letter which I have refers to a Match (an arranged marriage). The letter in reply stated that it was not known what Dowry her parents would be prepared to give her.

PETER; 1843. Peter administered his father Richard’s Will (which I have). He married ANNIE BERRY (daughter of Richard Berry & Margaret Peard) a descendant of Solomon Watson of Scarra Co. Cork, whose ancestors had come from Ulster in the North of Ireland in the 1600s. Her brother JAMES had deeded to her as her Dowry 63 acres 3 roods and 23 perches of land at Scarra, and an adjoining 1 acre 26 perches at Smithfield – she to pay the groundrent to the Landlord J.A.R. Newman of 39 pounds and five shillings for one year’s rent. The copy of the Deed (which I have) is dated 4th February 1879 and must have been the year in which she married Peter. Annie must have pre-deceased Peter, as in his Will (which I also have) made in 1914 and witnessed by William Hanan and George Farmer, both of Scarra – (who also married into the Watson family) he left 100 pounds to his nephew Alfred Micks of Newboro’ Adare and the same to his sister Charlotte. He left a further 20 pounds to ANN WATSON of Cork (born 1902) appointed his brother Montiford to be his Executor and left the residue to be divided between his brother and sister. He signed the Will with his Mark. I also have a letter in which he had asked Alfred’s father to purchase the farm from him for 200 pounds (which in those days would have been a considerable sum) but this did not come about.

IN A ROUNDABOUT WAY THIS FARM – or its value – CAME DOWN VIA CHARLOTTE & ALFRED TO THEIR BROTHER ARTHUR WHO LEFT HIS ESTATE TO HIS NEPHEW JACK SPARLING OF NEWBORO’ ADARE, A SON OF EVA MARY WHO WAS THEIR SISTER.

RICHARD  bapt.1856 buried 20-3-1932 Son of Richard & Mary Long. Married 6-8-1879 (Methodist Church Adare) RACHEL PEACEFUL SWITZER (1944/February 1925) a daughter of Valentine Switzer of Ballylouchane - her mother was Elizabeth Delmege.

RICHARD & RACHEL’S CHILDREN; Eva Mary, Alfred John; Arthur Montiford.
EVA MARY 26-5-1881./1-3-1963- buried 3-3-1963. MARRIED Henry Philip Sparling (son of Uriah Sparling & Isabella Teskey) on 6-2-1907. Henry Philip died 26-5-1924 aged 53. and the Protestant Orphan Society helped to support the children. Her Baptismal Cert which I have says 5-8-1881. – Methodist Church.

Their children:

Frederick Uriah (Eric) 30-10-1908 unmarried – killed riding motorcycle at Adare Bridge, Newboro’ beside their home, 20-7-1927.

Enid Mary 20-10-1909 (bap.16-12-1909) married Raymond Hiscock – 3 children (Geoffrey; Stephen; a.n.other)

Richard Henry 6-6-1911. (bap.25-8-1911) emigrated Canada, married Mavis Frazer.

2 children, Denis and Terence.

John Jacob Alfred (Jack) April 1912/18-12-1994) unmarried. Died aged 81 in Dublin Nursing Home – severe Arthritis. Jack inherited the Micks’ farm at Newboro’ from his Uncle Arthur, where he lived with his sister Evelyn until he moved to Dublin. He willed his Dublin house to his nephew ERIC (son of his sister Vera Conroy) after several generous charitable bequests to Protestant Charities (5 thousand pounds to Protestant Orphan Society who provided for him and his sisters & brothers when their father died; - and St. Mary’s Cathedral etc.

NOTE: The Protestant Orphan Society was founded by Rev. Godfrey Massey of Bruff 1803-1852) – (he was known as The Orphans Friend) - after six young children had been orphaned when their parents died of Cholera.

Irene Isobel 25-10-1914. (baptised 17-1-1915 Methodist Church) She nursed in England, married Wilfred Lane and had 3 children (Stella; Pat and Rodney)


Ethel Vera 1918. Married Edmund Conroy, a detective. 2 sons – Eric unmarried; and Basil, married Teresa Early - 2 children. Vera lives in Sheltered housing.

Evelyn Doris 18-4-1920/bapt.24-11-1920. died 16-8-1993 (Nursing Home, Dublin – Alzheimers) She wanted to become a Missionary but was turned down due to flat feet.

Florence Emma 21-3-1923.bapt.14-4-1923. She died 16-8-1933 Scarlet Fever – she was a Downes’ Syndrome child)

All above ex Methodist Records.at Adare Manse: They were all born at AMIGAN (between Adare and Ballingarry). Their farmhouse abutted Amigan Castle where King
James II was said to have taken refuge after The Battle of the Boyne. A small STREAM running through the farm is said to have a cure for Skin Diseases!

ALFRED JOHN; bapt. 16-7-1884. Unmarried (buried 15-8-1932 aged 48) He was a beneficiary of Peter of Scarra’s Will. His Bap. Cert says 10-8-1884 Methodist

ARTHUR MONTIFORD; 14-5-1890 – died 13-12-1965 aged 74. Alfred and Arthur lived at Newboro’ the farm which was eventually Willed by Arthur to Eva Mary’s grandson, Jack Sparling. The old Methodist Church in which she was married was nearly across the road from their farm (on the main road, near the Bridge, a small now derelict building) ARTHUR was a skilled Carpenter and his work can be seen in St. Nicholas Church, Adare – there is a plaque on the Organ which he restored after flooding. His Bapt. Cert says 2-6-1890 - Methodist

MONTIFORD 1849 son of Richard & Mary Long: He died unmarried.17-3-1920 He inherited Lisamota farm from his father Richard and bequeathed it to his brother JOHN. Originally they also owned the land at Croker’s Park (behind Stonehall R.C. Church) and tho’ still in the Will it had been sold. Croker’s Park consisted of 17 acres and was purchased from the Waller Estate – from which it had been previously rented – for 108 pounds. It was later sold for 254 pounds. MONTIFORD’s WILL was made 13-1-1914 and he died in 1920. The Will was not Probated until 1929 as John disputed the Revenue Commissioners assessment which shewed Croker’s Park 26 acres valuation 14.65. Lisamota Land was owned by Hon. G.N. de Y Bateson and the half-yearly Land Purchase instalment amounted to 8.9.

MARYJANE born 1851 daughter of Richard & Mary Long Unmarried – Records say she died 10-4-1934. The date on the Headstone in St. Oswald’s Churchyard, Ballingarry, says 14-4-1934 and she was buried. 16-4-1934. As a very small child, I remember her as a very frail old lady, confined to bed. She was known as Aunt Jane and the Palatine Museum has a large photograph of her.

CLARENDA 14-8-1856 bap.15-8-1856 twin daughter of Richard & Mary Long: She married James Bovenizer, of Kilbreedy. 30-7-1896. She died – I do not have the date – and James married again to Sis Reidy.

CHARLOTTE; 14-8-1856 twin of Clarenda. She married James Piper, a policeman. 13-6-1882. Their daughter Elizabeth, born 2-4-1883 died 25-4-1920 aged 38 (as per Headstone) - the Headstone dates for Richard’s family differ in some cases from the Church Records.
Their son Richard Henry Piper (records call him Pyfer which was the original Pfalz spelling,) married Mary Ann Fitzgerald of Ballybrown (Kilkeedy/Clarina) 20-2-1925.

LEONARD II-9-1862 buried 26-9-1934 Antrim, Northern Ireland son of Richard & Mary Long. Married Fanny Bovenizer a daughter of Moses (all Moses family had Biblical names!) Fanny was born in Kilbreedy and they farmed at Belmont, Antrim. They married II-6-1901 in Trinity Church Limerick and he died aged 72 and was buried 26-9-1934. They had 2 sons – William born 25-3-1904 who died 30-5-1911 (Meningitis) and Leonard 5-2-1903. LEONARD married Madeline Alexandra Moorhead (born 19-2-1902 – died 17-11-1979) on 21-9-1925. her father was a constable in the R.I.C in Lisburn Co. Antrim They had 2 children – the first was stillborn and Leonard Montiford was born 19-7-1939 but died aged 12 (15-2-1951 – hole in heart). Their extensive farm was sold for housing and the housing estate is still known as Belmont.

ST. OSWALD’S CHURCH, BALLINGARRY the then new Parish Church of the Lisamota Micks family, was completed in 1812. An interesting mention in Records was an item of expenditure of ten shillings in 1792 for a pair of STOCKS and that of 3 guineas in 1814. STOCKS were a form of punishment – the miscreant was put sitting with his head and arms through holes – usually placed near a Church – for passersby to observe and to mock!

The name PETER MICKS appears on the Records as Churchwarden for the years 1766, 1838, 1864 and 1871. There have been many Peters – unrecorded - in the Micks family so which one I do not know.

THE foregoing INFORMATION WAS GIVEN TO ME BY the late CLARENDA Mick BOYERS, grand-daughter of Richard/Mary (E & O.E)

JOHN son of Richard & Mary Long: born 29-8-1859. – died 26-2-1936. John married SUSAN ALFRED (daughter of Robert and his SPERIN wife) on 17-5-1892. Ardenny. She died 26-6-1947 (Headstone says 28th) John and his family lived at BEABUS farm near Adare (Alfred property) until he inherited the home farm. at Lisamota.

JOHN & SUSAN’S CHILDREN;

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MARY JANE 28-5-1893 daughter of John/Susan:
Married George Smith son of Thomas, Lemonfield, Crecora, and had two sons, John and Gilbert. Gilbert is unmarried and farms at Clarina. John married twice, his first wife was Pearl Tanner from Waterford and they had one son, Richard, who farms at Lemonfield, Crecora, unmarried. His second wife was a widow, Helena Aylward (nee Wall). who has an adult family (she was buried 4-11-2000 died 1st week of November 2000) – retired from farming they lived in Limerick city. MARY JANE married George Smith 18-5-1922 and died aged 29 on 29-8-1924 at home in Ballingarry (Post Natal Depression) - buried Drehidtrasna.
The boys (born c.1922/24) were subsequently brought up by a Smith Uncle and he left his farm to Gilbert. – John had the home farm. – John now lives in a Nursing Home - he has very severe Arthritis which seems to be the Micks family curse!

GEORGE; son of John/Susan 18-6-1895. He died at the age of 52 on 16-7-1948 and is buried at Drehidtrasna. He married BRIDGET HOGAN, a neighbour’s daughter at Lisamota and was given the farm at Beabus (originally owned by his Alfred mother’s family, and where he and his siblings were born.

GEORGE & BRIDGET’S children: all baptised Roman Catholic Church.

SUSAN born 1920. married John Hickey, Killaloe, 6 daughters, 3 sons.(son drowned March 2001)

KATHLEEN 1922 handicapped, she lives at Cheshire Hone, Newcastlewest.

MARY 1924 married Thomas Anderson, Ennis - 10 children (son killed on Railway line 2000)

JOHN; 4-4-1926 unmarried, lives Graigue, Adare

GEORGE; 17-5-1928 unmarried lives Graigue, Adare (died suddenly buried 2-I0-02)

These two brothers live together, tall, pleasant and of Palatine appearance, they could be thought to be twins.

BREDA; 1930. Married Jim Walsh, Tralee. (Guest house) 3 children.

MARGARET; 1938 Lives St. Ita’s Home, Newcastlewest (Arthritis)

DORA 25-7-1897 daughter of John/Susan She married John Reidy (son of Nehemiah) 14-II-1923 and they had 3 children. John – unmarried; Wilton – decd 1996 (married Cochran – 5 children (1 died 2000 heart problem which a married sister also has) and George – married and lives Askeaton.

RICHARD 20-4-1899. Died aged 21, buried Drehidtrasna 29-3-1920.
CHARLOTTE 10-6-1900 (daughter of John/Susan): Died aged 11 – buried Drehidtrasna 19-2-1912

JOHN (son of John/Susan) 6-1-1903. He inherited the farm at Lisamota and Willed it to his brother Leonard when he died unmarried, 17-8-1991 aged 88. (his sister Clarinda had house kept for him for 20 years after she became widowed, but she was not included in his Will)

Susan & Jeffrey; 29-5-1905 twins. Jeffrey died. Susan married WILLIAM FRANCIS NAYLOR, Kilfinane. (son of Jonathan Naylor/Charlotte Louise Bailey) 20-1-1931. She was not aware that she had a twin until I told her of Church Records. She now lives in Sheltered Housing and is the mother of five children – John Robert -bapt. May 1932; Charlotte Elizabeth Susan 21-ll-1934; Ruby, Lester and a.n.other. They have a successful Engineering business in the midlands.

CLARENDRA (Clarrie) 8-4-1908, died 14-1-1998 She married EDMUND. BOYERS (son of Richard) 2-5-1939 and they farmed at Riverstown in Co. Sligo. until she was widowed, when she returned to Lisamota to housekeep for her brother John. No children. When her brother John died she went to live at Embury Close Sheltered Housing in Adare. She was the first resident in the newly completed 21 section Apartment Block and as a direct descendant of the Embury/Barbara Heck family (who founded Methodism in America and Canada) that was as it should be. She subsequently moved to Tall Trees Nursing Home in Askeaton when she needed nursing care and died in Milford Hospice. in January 1998. She was very active and loved to dance up to a short time before her last illness.

ELIZABETH born October 1910, baptised 2-1-1911. Married Tom Keane, 12-6-1940. 2 children, 1 son, Charles Francis and a daughter Hilary (who married Tom Brown - 1 son, Ken - widowed 1993 in Sligo)

MONTIFORD son of John/Susan 17-5-1913 buried 10-2-1978. Unmarried. A noted Athlete – mostly Shot-putt – his nephews have 15 medals and other trophies which he won. He was a big strong man and at one time applied to join the Garda Siochana.

LEONARD; son of John/Susan: 31-5-1916. Married Norrie James (mother a Bovenizer). No children. They live in Carlow. Leonard inherited the Lisamota farm from his brother John. He sold it for 73 thousand pounds (a great price at that time)– and also inherited some adjoining land which was also sold

None of the sons of John and Susan had sons so that Mick/s line died out.

JOSEPH (son of Henry/Elizabeth Teskey) 27-2-1810 married MARY LONG a midwife and they lived at Wellmount, Ardgoul townland. Joseph was my great-grandfather.
CHILDREN OF JOSEPH & MARY:
TIRZA; GEORGE; ADAM (my grandfather) CLARENDA, JOHN, JOSEPH, ELIZABETH;

TIRZA 15-9-1837 married George Miller 13-7-1858 (he was a son of Charles Miller of Kilbreedy and his (Ruttle) Latchford wife. - Charles was a son of John Miller Snr of Castlematrix and Catherine Legear who was a daughter of Michael Legier and Elizabeth Laurence, a son of the original emigrant Johan Adam Lieger). Miller descendants still live and farm in Kilbreedy. Tirza’s Marriage Record says “when of Askeaton as Tressa” and they emigrated to Ontario Canada after 1865. A printing error in some Records calls her Teresa and many of her descendants down to the present day, have mistakenly taken this name for their children instead of the pretty and unusual name of TIRZA. (There are also Tirzas in the Doupe and Teskey families) Her Marriage Cert which I have gives the date of Marriage as 13-7-1858

TIRZA &GEORGE’S CHILDREN ::

LOvINA: 11-9-1859 The N is incorrect – it should have been S for LouiSa.. She married Thomas Ledgerwood (born 5-11-1858 – Ontario) a son of James Ledgerwood of Clandeboy, Northern Ireland, and Jane Douglas of Dunkirk, Co. Down, Northern Ireland, who had emigrated in 1847 to Pakenham, Ontario. 3 daughters; 3 sons.

MARGARET JANE: born Ireland 12-5-1863. She married David Shaw (a trainman) on 28-11-1887. He was born 4-4-1865 in Argyleshire, Scotland, a son of Andrew Shaw & Agnes Haney, who emigrated to Pakenham in 1873. 4 Daughters, 2 sons.

JOHN George:; born Ireland c 1864 He married Frances Levis, Parkin, Sask. No children.


WILLIAM Joseph: b/bapt 1867, Ontario. Married Louise Robinson, Parkin, Sask. in 1892. - 3 children, Beatrice 1894; George 1901; Leonard 1906

MARY ANNE: born 1870 and died young.

CHARLES: born 1873 unmarried

CHRISTOPER WESLEY; 21-6-1875 Lanark County, Ont. He died 29-11-1946 – (heart). Married Annabel Kinch 14-4-190? (born 16-1-1882 – died 10-12-1932. Her parents were William Kinch and Elizabeth Aide, Antrim, Ontario. CHRISTOPHER was a Labourer and Agent for “Chosen Friends” Insurance Co. They lived in Antrim
Ontario up to the time of his death. There is a query as to whether he married secondly – to Ann Gilmore.

**SAMUEL; 1877.** He was Station Agent at Sioux lookout. He married Margaret McTavish and was still living there in 1923. (A record says daughter Marjorie born 1907 and adopted)

**ELIZABETH TIRZA;** 20-9-1879.married William Robinson l6-12-l90l at Langbank, Sask. William’s sister was Louisa married to William Joseph (his wife’s brother). Daughter Violet Lilian born 2l-l-1903.

**GEORGE 1842 – son of Joseph/Mary.** Lived Mountbrown near Rathkeale. Married Margaret his first cousin, daughter of his Uncle John 14-Il-1865. He was buried 23-l-1926 aged 84. Margaret was buried 26-3-1926 two months later, aged 84. His Marriage Certs. which I have says l4-Il-1865 Nantenan Church.

**GEORGE & MARGARET’S CHILDREN;**

- William, born 19-ll-1866 buried 18-10-1893 aged 27
- Joseph 2-5-1868 died 17-8-1893 aged 24
- John 22-4-1869 buried 17-9-1939 aged 74 His birth certificate states “present at birth, Elizabeth Micks, midwife” signed with her Mark.
- Richard (Dick) 6-7-1872 (slightly mentally handicapped) buried 1-,l-1947 aged 74
- Mary Jane 16-9-1875 buried 8-7-1925 aged 49
- George Francis 5-9-1882 buried 21-2-l9l8

All baptismal dates:

The two brothers, William and Joseph, dying so close together suggests an epidemic.

**CLARENDA daughter of Joseph/Mary: (Census – 185l) Married twice.** 1st Michael Gilliard 16-l2-1875 by whom she had four children. 2nd William Halloran 3-3-189l. (son of John) (A Gilliard - Michael’s father - first came to Ballingrane as a “Journeyman Shoemaker” and was of Huguenot descent. (Interesting note: Gilliard was also the name of the Tutor to the Russian Tzar’s family who was murdered with them!)

(Marriage Certs Michael Gilliard 16-l2-1875; William O'Halloran 23-7-189l)

**CLARENDA & MICHAEL’S CHILDREN;**

- James: 12-l0-l878 – died 7-3-l880 ( Annie born 1878 – was she his twin?)
HENRY: 15-6-1880 – he was the sole survivor of her four children and his descendants still live in Ballingrane.

John: 25-6-1882 – died 24-3-1886

Clarenda: 15-12-1885 – died 4-3-1887.

JOHN; son of Joseph/Mary, married Elizabeth – (He may have been born 25-6-1812 and had a son Henry bapt. 25-8-1833 in Rathkeale) Their daughter Margaret married her first cousin George of Mountbrown. The George Francis buried on 5-10-1882 aged 35 may have been their son as Dromard is Mountbrown. An Elizabeth recorded as being buried 9-4-1899 aged 88 also Dromard, was undoubtedly a relative.

JOSEPH; son of Joseph/Mary: NO RECORD but my mother said a brother of her father Adam was Coachman to Sir Alec Shaw in Limerick and had married a Roman Catholic – possibly Joseph, and no record is available to me. However, my memory may not have been correct and he may have been a generation earlier.

+ADAM LEONARD; son of Joseph/Mary/ of c 1844 (Census Form) married DORA DOUPE (born c.1846) daughter of John Doupe and Margaret Micks of Ballingrane l-ll-1871. Adam died 7-12-1915 aged 70 and Dora 29-6-1929 aged 83 in Wellmount, Ardgoul. They had 8 children.

I have a Newspaper Obituary for Adam Leonard which reads as follows: –

“We regret to announce the death of Mr. Adam Micks of Wellmount, Ballingrane, which occurred after a short illness on Tuesday evening, 7th instant, at the ripe age of 71 years. The funeral took place on Thursday last at 2 p.m. for Nantenan Churchyard. The chief mourners were: Mrs. Dora Micks (wife); William and Adam G. Micks (sons) Dora and May (daughters) C.Benn (son-in-law) George Micks (brother) Richard and George Micks, Montiford, Albert and Henry Doupe, H.Gilliard (nephews). Mrs. J. Perrott, Matilda Doupe, and Mary Micks (nieces) Montiford Micks, Lisamota and George Micks, Adare, (cousins). There were also in attendance numerous friends from Rathkeale and surrounding district”.


The remains were enclosed in a heavily mounted coffin, which, as a last token of their esteem for the deceased, the numerous friends conveyed from the house to the churchyard on their shoulders. The officiating clergyman was the Ven.Archdeacon Haydn LL.D., who in the course of a very touching address stated that the late Mr. Micks was a very dear friend of his and held in the highest esteem not only by him personally, but by all that knew him. He was a most loving husband, an affectionate father, and above all, was regularly to be found at his place of worship, and was – he could say without hesitation – a true Christian and died a Christian’s death. In conclusion, the Ven.
Archdeacon tendered his sincere sympathies to his bereaved ones – who he said would never blush at mention of his name”

(Note: Nantenan Churchyard is more than a mile from the Micks’ house: Those who sent cars: … It was the custom, whether or not the owner was in attendance at the funeral, to send a Carriage or Car (empty) to attend a funeral as a mark of respect. Funeral Hearses were horsedrawn – some funerals had horses (usually a pair) wearing black ostrich-feathers on their heads. And at large funerals a long line of empty carriages could be seen following the hearse, which itself would be followed by black horsedrawn carriages in which the immediate relatives of the deceased sat, on the way to the Churchyard. Walking mourners would follow the hearse itself, from the Church to the completion of the burial. At Roman Catholic funerals two priests usually walked in front of the funeral, (sometimes wearing white sashes with bows,) on the footpath, adjacent to the funeral. They would be followed by an empty car which was there to bring them back home. (Cremation was unknown in Ireland and even in this year of 2000 is uncommon). I can remember when shops in towns and cities along the route would close and draw down their blinds until the funeral passed as a mark of respect and to-day if I am driving and meet a funeral (now a motorhearse) I would stop the car when I came adjacent to the motor-hearse and not proceed until it has passed. The custom of neighbouring houses drawing down their blinds in sympathy is gradually passing. But the practice of attaching a black crepe to the door of the bereaved family with a card detailing the funeral arrangements, still prevails. Sometimes to-day newspaper reports and details of the actual funeral will say “No Flowers – donations instead to – a named Charity – if desired” appear. But in country funerals floral wreaths are still prevalent, not necessarily bought wreaths but made by the person giving it, and Mass Cards (signed by a Priest for special Masses to be said for the deceased) are very prevalent.

ADAM & DORA’S CHILDREN:

1. WILLIAM LEONARD (Bill) August 1872 - died 13-12-1946. Aged 72. He suffered from severe Arthritis and was unmarried. He was a well-known expert on Beekeeping

2. PETER HENRY; 17-5-1873 – died 31-5-1933. married Anne Parkinson of Lixnaw Co. Kerry on 6-6-1912 and who, with her siblings, had emigrated to Indianapolis, Indiana, to where he went to join them. He had worked at a Stud Farm at Rathbane near where I am now living (and possibly she did too) and for a while was a “Pinkerton Man” – a railroad detective, in the United States. I was told he owned one of the first Oldsmobile Cars seen !. No children. Birth/Death dates on American obituaries and Marriage application forms differ. (Many people in the 1800s were not aware of their Birth dates)

3. MARGARET JANE; (Cis): 14-4-1875 - buried 15-6-1959. Aged 84. Worked in England for most of her life – housekeeping – and retired to live at Wellmount.
4 DOROTHY MILLCENT; (Dora): l877 or 8. Married Edmund Twiss *(son of Richard) an ex R.I.C. officer “clerk, of Kilmacow” ( married from Alphonsus Street, Limerick, the Benn residence,) on l-6-l920 in St. Michael’s Church and lived in Dangan Mill Manor in Thomastown, Co.Kilkenny – a lovely house with millwheel, millrace and an island on which they owned the Fishing Rights. She died in the l930s (I have not been able to discover the date and RCB Records do not have it) – no children, but she may have been a second wife and he may have had a grown-up family, They had been married in a Registry Office but her mother insisted she underwent a full Marriage Ceremony again in Church. I visited Dangan Mill Manor a few years ago again, and it was just as I remembered it – the Millrace full of Trout!. The Mill, however, had been demolished as it became a dangerous building.

5. ELIZABETH CATHERINE; l6-3-l879 – My Mother married ALBERT CHARLES BENN 2l-8-l9ll.son of Frank Benn & Maryanne Airey at that time a shippingclerk with the Limerick Steamship Co., Later he owned his own business – Limerick Typewriter Co. They are both interred in Clonlara Churchyard in the Airey grave. She died ll-3-l952 (heart) He died l5-9-l953 (prostate Cancer)

They had 3 children:-Rhoda Frances; Rhoda Frances Elizabeth and Alberta Patricia Anne.

1. Rhoda Frances 7-5-l9l2 – died very suddenly l6-3-l9l5 – Quinsey Croup, having been in perfect health that morning.

2 Rhoda Frances Elizabeth 25-8-l9l5 died 23-l-l982 (Dublin Hospital) She suffered from severe Arthritis from the age of 33. Married Charles James Smyth son of Joseph and Clarenda Long 6-7-l942 – both Palatines, and had two children

Children of RHODA FRANCES ELIZABETH & Charles James Smyth:


CHILDREN OF ALBERTA PATRICIA ANNE:
Born l7-2-l92l she married FRANCIS EDMUND CALLENDER (born ;l7-l2-l903)
Son of Arthur Callender and his wife Catherine on 18-6-1945. He died 14-3-1980. They had 3 children.

1. **JOYCE PATRICIA** 20-3-1946. Married Rev. Canon John Frederick Augustus BOND 6-6-1968. John was Rector of Ballynure & Ballyclare for 22 years. In 1999 they moved to St. Patrick’s Parish, Broughshane and John is now the Dean of Connor. They have 3 children:

   + **Susan** Patricia 29-9-1971. Married Andrew William Brown, son of Rev. Dr. Godfrey Brown and his wife on 7-7-1995 They are both Teachers and have a daughter Leah Tonisha born 7-4-1998 and a son Timothy Andrew Peter born 13-3-2002.


   + **NICOLA Ruth** 8-12-1977 having finished her degree is now teaching in a Belfast College.

2. **REV. FRANCIS CHARLES** –: 18-10-1948. Married Susan Elizabeth Anderson of Coalinga, California, in Dunfanaghy Co. Donegal, on 17-3-1975. They have two children: Paul Francis Edwin 21-12-1979 And Abigail Susan born 3-3-1985 weighing only 680 grams. (5th month) in New Zealand where they now reside in Christchurch. (Paul has spent some time in L.A. in the U.S. working, inventing Computer Games).

   **ARTHUR Allan** 30-4-1952. Married Beverley Geen Leech on 28-4-1979 (daughter of the late Douglas Leech and Winifred Ruddock). They have 2 sons, Nigel Allan 4-2-1985 (Junior/Senior Bouldering Irish Champion) and Eric Arthur 19-5-1989. Allan lives beside me having built this own house himself.

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**RICHARD LAMBERT**; 15-2-1881. Married his first cousin Eva Lilian (Lil) Halloran in Bristol (daughter of his Aunt Elizabeth Micks) on 26-12-1913. He died 4-2-1956 and Eva Lilian died on 4-5-1964. They had two children:

**CHILDREN OF RICHARD LAMBERT;**

1. Lambert John Adam (Bertie) 20-10-1914 married Louisa Lily Fox 28-8-1937. He died 8-10-1938 following a shipboard accident. Lily may have married again.

2. Elizabeth Dora 28-4-1918 married Leonard Frederick Allaway on 26-12-1942. She died 28-2-1974. They had two children — a daughter Elizabeth (Liz) born 26-12-1943 (married David Staples born 9-6-1935) - on 18-3-1978. No children. Liz is a keen genealogist and has traced her interesting Allaway family back to the 1400s.

ADAM GRAVES; 15-7-1883. Emigrated to the U.S. in 1926 and lived with his brother Peter and his wife Anne Parkinson up to the time of his marriage to Winifred Ruth Garver on 1-10-1929. He died on 16-2-1939 (Leukemia). They had two children:-

Winifred Margaret (PATTY) 29-6-1932 married Billy J. Miller (born 30-6-1928) on 1-11-1953. He has Irish connections but it is not known whether or not he is a Palatine Miller (the spelling with an E. leads me to think so) They have four children:-

Children of Winifred Margaret and Billy Jay:-

RICHARD JOHN ADAM 6-1-1935 (Dickie) son of Adam Graves & Winifred died tragically in July 1938 following his father’s death (Septicamea)

ADAM’s WIDOW, Winifred, has fostered over 300 children – mostly in her own home and in the Flannigan Children’s Home, since her husband died. She adopted Lynn Ann (born 24-11-1952) at 3 years of age. Winifred died 8-10-1994 in her 98th year.

MARY JANE; daughter of Adam & Dora: 29-8-1885. Married Edward Ruttle (born 6-8-1901 buried 22-12-1985) (both his parents were Ruttle) 28-10-1931. She died 16-2-1969 in Newcastle west Hospital.
May was very pretty and had many proposals of marriage but as the youngest daughter it was her “duty” to mind her parents – she nursed her father, her mother, her brother, her mother-in-law and her sister, staying in the family home to do so. A lovely person - I loved my Aunt May.

ELIZABETH; (midwife daughter of JOSEPH & MARY): Married John Halloran her 1st cousin and died in Bristol 4-1-1931. John died 5-8-1910 in Bristol, the result of an accident. (Her baptismal certificate is available)
John was a son of Mary Anne Micks c.1808-1887 & John Halloran of Ballingrane. Married 21-l2-1847. They went to live in Bristol, England.

ELIZABETH & JOHN’S CHILDREN;

Arthur John c l875 Rathkeale. – died Bristol l892
Alexander Joseph c 1876. Clifton, Bristol, married Eva Kate Brown l6-9-1899. He died c 1956
William Henry 6-7-l880. Lost at sea out of Quebec. Certified dead October 1899.
Hector Herbish 30-l0-1884 he died 2-5-1885
John Herbert (Jack) 25-9-l887 married Sarah Anne. Died 1958
Sydney James l889 died l-2-1892
Mary Anne Elizabeth (Polly) 4-il-l892. Married Thomas Hibbs. 28-6-1915. She died 28-6-1959.
EVA LILIAN 19-4-l895 married RICHARD LAMBERT MICKS (lst cousin, from Wellmount, Ireland) 26-12-1913. She died 3-5-1964
Helena Hope (Lena) l3-9-l897. (Bap. Hope Congregational Chapel, Clifton) Married G.H. Newberry 3-4-1920
William Henry c.l90l. died ll-9-l908
George Albert James c 1904 buried l0-6-l925..

ELIZABETH STAPLES grand-daughter of EVA LILIAN whose research this information is, says tradition has it that there were 22 children in all including “Baby Burials” so Arthur John may not have been the eldest.

OTHER MICKS FAMILIES DESCENDED FROM THE FOUNDER;

An ADAM Mick (born l8ll – Census) married PHOEBE Brethour both born in Ireland. He was a son of John (1776) brother of Henry l770 (my ancestor who married Elizabeth Teskey), and of Peter 1780 (who married Elisabeth Schumacher), the founder of the Canadian Mick I have only recently discovered Phoebe’s family name. After 1836 they emigrated to Bruce County, Kincardine, Ontario and in 1842 they were leasing a concession in Ramsay, Lanark.
All their Children were born in Canada with the exception of the eldest son, Montiford Edmund who was born in Ireland on 25-12-l835 (he died in Canada 2l-4-l902). In l861 he married Cecelia Doupe (born 1-l2-1839 died l7-6-l9l2) Cecelia was a daughter of Adam and Rachel (Shier) Doupe who had emigrated to Huron township in 1849 living in Greenock township. (Researcher Glen Micks a descendant says Montiford was born in 1839 (and Cecelia Doupe in 1835) but descendant Bonnie de VRIES says the dates are taken from her grandmother’s Bible, handwritten by her.
SAMUEL DOUPE was a son of the Doupe Founder. He married Catherine Shier and had 11 children – nine emigrated. Adam, Henry and their sister Rachel emigrated in 1849 and they settled in Kirkton. Rachel married Nathaniel Shier and shortly after their arrival he was killed in a barnraising. Rachel then married Charles Doupe (son of John and Sarah Miller of Co. Galway) and she is said to have had nine children. Her brother Adam and his wife Rachael settled in the same area and had 13 children, ten of whom were born in Ireland (1 Catherine dying there). Their daughter Celia (Cecelia) married Mountiford Edmund Mick on 7-3-1861 in Kincardine and Isaac Samuel Wesley Mick was one of their nine children. He married Sarah Jane Montgomery (born North of Ireland).

Adam & Phoebe’s other children were:- Adam 4-11-1843; Samuel 1852; Isaac 1853; Anne 1854; Dorothy 1848 (md. Thomas Hawthorn (son of Hans Hawthorn, Greenock, in 1866)) And Records also shew a possible son, baptised Fitzroy Township, Carleton Co. in March 1844.

Monty & Cecelia’s children were:

Rachel A. 14-12-1861/1-4-1907; ADAM E. 15-5-1863/13-12-1924; Phoebe June 14-12-1864 /8-12-1935; (bible date) ISSAC Samuel Wesley 24-12-1866/25-7-1944; ALBERT; 16-8-1830/21-5-1936 (Bonnie’s date 1880) Cecelia L. 24-12-1868/18-3-1932; (Bonnie’s date 15th March) LEVI Sylvester 14-7-1872/23-11-1940; (Bonnie’s date born 4th July 1872) Margaret D. 30-4-1875/ died as an infant; ; Sarah 8-6-1877/4-6-1952;

ISSAC SAMUEL WESLEY married SARAH JANE MONTGOMERY (born 1874 in Ireland) in 1891. (Bible says 16-6-1893) Her family emigrated to Canada in 1880 from Northern Ireland.

Their daughter SARAH NELLIE BELLA Mick married William Wamsley. 9-2-1925 (Bible date) whose daughter FAYE WAMSLEY (born 7-10-1929) married Melville Lees 12-6-1947 and whose daughter BONNIE LEES (born 1949) married Tab de Vries (born 1928) in 1982 and in 1986 they had a daughter Nellie de Vries. They visited Ireland in 1998.

Issac and Sarah’s other children were:
Glen; Chester; Verna md. George Harding; Vera md. Bill Fremlin; Greta md. David Oliver; Lottie md. Russel Campbell; Ray md. Jean Dinelle; Bert md. Tina Currie, Ross md. Phyllis Hurley (Bible includes Donald Winston 21-9-1918 died 31-1-1919).

ADAM married (Natisha) TISH MONTGOMERY (Bible note) their children were:
George md. Amanda WAMSLEY; Wesley md. Gertie McLean; Cecil; Pearl md. Frank Garrett (Bonnie lists another son Roy)
ALBERT md. MAUDE ELIZABETH COLLINS: Their children were Lavinia Margaret md. Floyd Gibson; Annie md. Alvin Barkley; Olive md Lloyd Schoials; Muriel md. Stan Coulter; Oliver and Leonard twins – unmarried; Charles Edmund md. Mabel Kydd; Edith Fern died aged 3 months; Ronald md. Ist Melba Hurley and had 2 children Allan and Shelly and 2nd Sandra Annie Marshall by whom he had 3 children Chris, Ronda, and GLEN..

Note; :In February 2001 ROY M. ODBER of Sault Ste Marie sent me the following research. :He is, he says, a great-grandson of Monty and Cecilia. and the information was taken from handwritten records kept by their daughter- in- law Sarah wife of Isaac Mick and which were in the possession of her son CHESTER. who also had a book on Land Titles and other information about Huron Township in the 1800s

Adam Mick born c 1800 Ireland of German descent (Mich) wife Phoebe Brethour , Irish. Son Mounty Edmond Mick born Dec. 25 1835 – Ireland Daughter – Dora or Dorothy (Canada)

1840-1845 Adam & Phoebe with children emigrated to Huron Township, Bruce County, Ontario, Canada. Children in Canada:
Adam 1846; Isaac, plus 2 or 3 daughters.

(info per Chester Mick 1912-1997) md. March 7 1861
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Mounty Edmond Mick (born 25th Decr. 1835 Ireland, died 1902 – Echo Bay) Married Cecilia Doupe (born Decr 11839 Ireland; died 1912 Echo Bay) They farmed and raised a family in Ripley, Huron Township until 1881 (Co. Records give dates on 2 farms). (info. per Sarah’s notes and Land Titles)

Children of Mounty & Cecilia (Doupe) Mick:
Sons – Adam l862’ Cecil; Isaac l867; Albert; Levi
Daughters Rachel Dec l861; Phoebe l864; Margaret; Cecilia l868; Sarah l872
(info. per Sarah’s Bible and Chester Mick)

Summer l881 Mounty & Cecilia with children and Mounty’s brother Adam moved to Echo Bay Ontario 12 miles east of Sault Ste Marie (sailed to Garden River landing and walked back through bush 5 miles to Echo Bay)

Children of Mounty & Cecilia:
Adam married Natisha (Tish) Montgomery – their children:
Roy – died as infant; George married Amanda Wamsley; Wesley married Gertie McLean; Pearl married Frank Garrett.

Cecil Mick – single

Isaac md. Sarah Montgomery – their children:
Glen – single; Chester – single; Ray md. Jean Dinell; Bert md. Tina Currie; Ross md. Phyllis Hurley; Verna md. George Harding; Vera md. Bill Fremlin; Greta md. David Oliver; Nellie md. Bill Wamsley; Lottie md. Russ Cambell; Donald died as infant.

Levi married Elizabeth Walmsley 1st wife – 1 son : 2nd Margaret Currie – no children

Albert md. Maud Collins: Their children:

Rachel md. Fred Losey

Margaret md. Tom Armstrong

Sarah md. Jerry Alton

Phoebe md. Tim Losey

Cecilia Rachel born 24-l2-1868 died 15-3-1932 married Joseph H. Odber (born 8-8-1859 died 8-3-1934) married in 1893. Children of Cecilia & Joseph:
John; Josephine; Margaret; Mary Ann; Joseph; Mitchel E. Odber (1904-1952) Chancie; Beatrice .

SON OF MITCHEL E. ODBER – ROY M. ODBER 1934.

ROY ODBER says the above version of the information that he has been able to gather over the years on this branch of the MICK line is up to the year 1998. (ODBER Line back to 1680s – Warwick, England area. U.K. Research by L. Odber, Scotland)

Note: Allen Wallace Micks, 16 days (premature) died 18th March 1926, was a son of Eva la Sage of Sault St. Marie wife of Ancel Micks (Irish). Were the names mis-spelt and Ancel really ADAM?

Several other MICKS deaths are registered in SIMCOE.

A GEORGE MICKS’ family;
(Information from EDWARD, Ennis)

GEORGE MICKS who died in the 1940s aged 58, married MARGARET HICKEY of Newmarket-on-Fergus Co. Clare. He at some time converted to Roman Catholicism, - probably when they married. Edward is not conversant with the MICKS other than his immediate family and we have not been able to establish from whom his father was descended – just that we was born in Co. Limerick
GEORGE Mick was a Horse Trainer and he and Margaret moved to Kilmacow, Co. Kilkenny where he worked on a Stud Farm. They moved back to Co. Clare to Cahercalla Ennis, to O’Gorman’s Stud Farm (now the St. John of God Nursing Home) During his Horse Training days he trained a winner of The Grand National in the 1930s/40s

CHILDREN OF GEORGE MICKS & MARGARET HICKEY:

THOMAS EDWARD born in Kilmacow, Co. Kilkenny.
ROSE MARIE married Peter Cooke, Athlone – 2 adopted children, boy and girl.
EDWARD married Imelda, Chiropodist – lives Ennis, son Thomas and daughter
ANTHONY (Tony) born Kilmacow. (2 unmarried sons farming near Birr, Offaly)
SEAN born Kilmacow, married - ;1 daughter
GEORGE born Kilmacow, married – 2 daughters
P.J. – born Kilmacow, married – 4 daughters
MARY – born Cahercalla
MICHAEL – born Cahercalla (2 sons, 2 daughters (one named Doreen) all married & living in Canada.
CATHERINE born Cahercalla (died aged 49)

A George Mick was born 12-11-1810 and baptised Ardcroney Parish, son of George Mick/Mary. He had a brother Edward baptised 26-10-1808 and a sister Catherine 19-11-1815

Another George Mick married Mary Judd 29-9-1816. A Mary Judd, daughter of Edward & Mary was born ll-5-1786 and baptised in Rathkeale.

A LIMERICK MICKS family:

There are 3 MICKS buried in St. John’s Churchyard, Limerick: THOMAS died l2-4-1810; JOHN 5-6-1831; JOHN 3-1-1838 aged 62 Researcher Mary Wallace surmises that John 1776-1838 of Thomondgate was a possible son of John & Mary and a grandson of the original immigrant.- Henry born in the Pfalz cl674. and whose son John, was born 1730s (buried 25-3-1807 Nantenan and Mary buried 17-10-1818. ) Canadian researchers, however, have John 1776 recorded as a brother of Henry and Peter and according to the 1871 Census his descendants were living in Bruce County, Greenock. and he had several sons

THOMAS born c 1727 buried aged 83 on l2-4-1810 married MARGARET GRIMES Children:
Thomas Michael; Joseph; Frank; Christopher; Bridget; and May
THOMAS MICHAEL married Margaret (Peggy) Hartridge
Their children:
MAY, Rita, Thomas Michael; Nuala (died young) Breda, Margaret, Patrick, Henry.
(May, married Bennett (Bennett Oil, Ballyneety) told me she was reared by her grandfather, Thomas. May had 3 daughters and 5 sons - Walter, John, Aidan, Raymond, Anthony

Thomas worked in Jury’s Hotel – barman.

Thomas MICHAEL’s children:
Margaret; Helen, Alfred; GERARD Patrick, Susan, Martina. Matthew; Anthony

Gerard has a son Barrie and a daughter Michelle. Patrick has his own Gents. Hairdressing establishment and 1 son Trevor. Their mother Margaret, Thomondgate, died in 1993.

Children of Thomas GERARD:
Henry (Harry) - 3 children
May
Rita (O’Connell)
Thomas
Margaret (Power) – 4 children

In 1940s I remember a Dentist Receptionist (May Micks (McCarthy) at Dentist Fitzgibbons. Her brother, I think, was his Dental Mechanic.

A “Tealady” In Ranks was a Micks.

E & O.E. My research only and not confirmed.

Another MICK family we are endeavouring to trace is that of WILLIAM HENRY MICK of Kilmurry, Co. Cork.
They had a son JAMES Mick of Kilmurry, born 5-4-1831 (died 1901 aged 70) who married ELIZABETH SPARLING (born 15-1-1834 – died 1896 aged 62) on 11th June 1851 at Kilmurry. James and Elizabeth had a daughter LUCINDA on 2-5-1861 (died 5-5-1904) who on 5-9-1884 married James Alexander McInnes (born 31-7-1862 died 21-5-1947) Their descendant, Elsie Antonson of Abbotsford, Ontario, says that information on William Henry and the Sparlings first surfaced about 1805. They emigrated to Canada c.1858 and lived in Barrie, Simcoe, Ontario from 1862-64. The 1871 Census records a Richard 46 (born 1825) James 44, (born 1827), and Henry 35, (born 1836) as all living in Simcoe, Barrie Township,. - were they brothers and did they emigrate together? She now thinks there were TWO families.
CHILDREN OF JAMES & ELIZA Mick: Family Group Record for Census.

William Henry (Bill) Mick 1853  Kilmurry Ireland, died 1909 in Barrie, Simco.
Amilia (Fanny) Mick 1855, Kilmurry. Died 1909 in Barrie, Simco
James Edward Mick 1857 Kilmurry. Died 1939 in Barrie, Simco
Eliza Mick 1859 Petrolia, Lambton, Ont., Died 1929 Toronto.
Lucinda 2-5-1861 (Petrolia, Lambton, Ont. Married 5-5-1884; died 5-5-1904.
Sarah 16-2-1865 Barrie, Simco. died 1942 in Toronto.
Susan 17-4-1868 “ died 1948 in Ottawa
Elizabeth 4-6-1871 “ died 1951 Yorkton, Sask.
Walter Robert 1875 “
There is a note on her Tree which says that Walter Robert Mick 1875 Barrie, Simco married Margaret Smith of Hamilton Toronto according to the 1901 Census.

Note: Simcoe Co. deaths record that of a Lucy Micks aged 8 - born in Canada- on 14-5-1894. And a Sarah Jane Micks, farmer’s wife, 20-1-1892 a week after childbirth. Elvery Micks, aged 15 days died 29-6-1895 a son of Lucinda Micks.
Lucy Ann, wife of a James Micks (58 – born 16-7-1852) died 20-6-1910. (suicide)
A stillborn baby Micks died 11-4-1911 was a daughter of a Lucinda (Morrison) and Nelson Micks.

AN INTERESTING NOTE;
A Margaritha MICH daughter of Nicholas MICH and Annee Francoise SCHUMACHER was baptised 9-3-1755 in Guinkirchen, MOSELLE, France. (Palatinate) A PETER MICKS married ELIZABETH SCHUMACHER in 1807. In Ireland. Could it possibly be that the two families were related and known to one another before the emigration from the Pfalz in 1709 and had made contact again in Ireland as distant Cousins?

Old and almost unreadable Record Sheets have the following: Mich/Mick:
Maria Magdalena MICK Ch. March 1743 Evangellinch, Dusseldorf. - daughter Philip Heinrich/Anna Barbara Weidenbach. Marie Anne birth 11-7-1805 Ernstin, Bas-Rhin, France. Daughter of Leonard Mick/Claire Woerth; Wilhelm ch.24-1-1826 Civil., Dusseldorf son of Peter/Anna Christine Knab; Peter, Ch . 10-9-1842, Ratingan Prussia, son of Peter /Anna Christina Knab; Susanna ch.18-2-1876 Kathorich, Mentorse, Prussia, drtr. of Peter/Gertrude Husti; - Mich birth 11-7-1805 Epstein, Bas-Rhin, France, parents Leonard/Claire Woerth; William ch. 24-1-1826, Civil, Dusseldorf. Son of Peter/Anna Christina Knab; Peter ch. 10-9-1842, son of Peter Mick/Gertrude Husti;
It is not known who extracted the above names and dates but there were still MICH/MICK living in the Pfaltz in the early 1800s.

A JOHN MICK born 18-ll-1836 in Co.Limerick son of William Mick and Ann Cronsbury died at Orillia, Ontario. on 21-5-1925. According to the records at Simcoe County – Orillia he had been living there for 6 years.
A William and Anne had a son John born 25-10-1835) bap. 10-11-1835) according to the Church records - they also had “a child” 12-12-1840 (bap. 20-12-1840). Death and baptism dates are usually correct but birth dates can be very misleading. John married to Elizabeth, was possibly the father of John born 15-5-1818 or John born 5-11-1815 both of whom had an Elizabeth as their mother.

THE EMIGRANTS;

JOHN’S SON PETER

PETER was the Founder of the Canadian and American MICK/s family. He was born in Ireland in November 1780 and married ELIZABETH SHOEMAKER (SCHUMACHER in German) on 29-12-1807. I have the original Record of their marriage taken from the Mansion House Records in Dublin. Elizabeth was born in 1787-90 and died c 1861-71 in Ontario, as she had disappeared from the Census. Peter died on 16-1-1885 in Micksburg, Ontario, at the great age of 104 and 2 months, being pre-decreased by his wife. (Their great-grand-daughter ANNIE MICK/BARKER died on 20-10-1998 aged 105 and 8 months.)

They emigrated to Canada together with his five sons (and a daughter – Mary Anne – who later joined them and her Miller husband, landing at Quebec on 5th July 1861 with her children (per Senator Lorna Milne) and settled in a place which came to be known as Micksburg (one of his sons, George, kept the Postoffice – hence the name)

It is said that there is some doubt as to Elizabeth’s surname – was it Hill? - Let me assure you that it was not! All Church Records were destroyed in the Mansion House Fire in Dublin during the Troubles of 1922, BUT surviving Records extracted in 1918 from The Registry, Four Courts, Dublin, list several MICK births, deaths and marriages – that of Robert Watson to Catherine Mick, daughter of Frederick on 20-5-1804 and the marriage of Peter and Elizabeth Shoemaker on 29-12-1807 is another There were apparently several PETERS – amongst the registered Deaths was that of Leonora Mick, 1-6-1803 wife of PETER MICK. And in the Births – Elizabeth Hill, wife of a Peter Mick, baptised Joanna on 18-12-1809 and George on 30-7-1812 Records stated they were residing in Aardcanny. There is no mention of them again and they did not emigrate with Peter and Elizabeth Schumacher to Ontario.

Peter and Elizabeth SCHUMACHER had a daughter Mary Ann born 8-11-1812 (four months after George was born on 30-7-1812 to a Peter and Elizabeth HILL) and THEY had a son George in 1814.
This should be enough evidence for the descendants of Peter & Elizabeth SHOEMAKER that her name was SCHUMACHER and not Hill! SCHUMACHER and not a Shoemaker by profession! And research of the HILL Church Records did not produce an Elizabeth.

Another mystery is recorded in the Passenger Arrivals Register which says that “Joanna Mick – with children – arrived in New York in 1879” (Information per the late Prof. Dr. Don Micks of Texas).

CHILDREN OF PETER MICK & ELIZABETH SCHUMACHER:

MARY ANNE; 8-11-1812, married James Walsh in 1836 and they had a son James in 1837. When her husband died she married Adam Miller (1808-1883) a widower who is said to have had 3 children by his first wife, a Catherine Mick.

MILLER CHILDREN;
- MARY ANNE (1843-1933) married George Dudgeon (1843-1905) and they had seven children.

RACHEL; bapt.17-9-1848, married Robert Johnson in 1882 and they had four children.

ADAM; (17-9-1848/13-4-1931) married Mary Anne Mick in 1875. (1854-24-9-1907) She was his cousin, a daughter of John and Anne (Dobe) Mick) They had 7 children – 2 sets of twins, one set of whom died of diphtheria.

CLARINDA (1851-1937) she married John Young.

JANE (1855) (Wilberforce census) married Donald Sutherland (1838-1916) who came to Canada in 1861. She was his second wife – his first wife was a Catherine Mick) 2 children. Their grandson William Dennison was Mayor of Toronto 1966-1972 and his daughter Lorna Milne (born 1934) is a Canadian Senator, in Ottawa. as is Isobel Finnerty another Mick descendant.

GEORGE; son of Peter/Elizabeth: (c.1814/3-7-1898) born Ballingrane, Ireland. He married Rachel Miller (1820) 1847 a twin of Adam who married George’s sister Mary Anne. One child, Catherine 1845. (perhaps Donald Sutherland’s first wife)
PETER: son of Peter/Elizabeth: 9-5-1819-17-11-1915: He married twice, firstly to Ellen Fitzelle on 29-9-1843. She was born cl822 and died 7-8-1846 in Wellmount. They had one child – Rachel born 1844. His second wife was Catherine Sweeney – 18-9-1850. She was born in Ireland in November 1813 and died 12-ll-1914 in Stafford township reputedly aged 101. They are both buried in Micksburg. Their children were:-


DANIEL; born Ireland November 1825 in Ardgoul. In 1852 he was living in “a round log shanty” in Stafford township with his parents. He married Katherine Libby (born 1828-1894.) Their children were:


MONTIPHER; Son of Peter/Elizabeth. Born Co.Limerick 25-3-1831. He married Janet Campbell who was born in Scotland 5-8-1830. He died 10-ll-1913 and Janet died 28-4-1911 and they are both buried in Micksburg. Their children were:-

Margaret Elizabeth 1857-193l: She married Adam C. Miller (son of Elizabeth Comba who was born in Nantenan Co Limerick. and Christopher Miller 28-I-1879: Malcolm 1858 – married Sarah Ellen Owens 23-4-1888. Rachel cl858 – died and a later sister was also named Rachel in 187l: Mary Matilda cl860 married Thomas Brisnagne 7-I1-1885: Catherine cl862 married Tobias Parkinson Boland 18-6-1891: Rachel – the 2nd Rachel – ll-5-1864 married Thomas Bourke 30-3-1885, a merchant, they had a large family. Daniel Leonard cl867 married Harriett Miller 29-3-1893: Jessie
(Jennett 1874/1954. She married Michael Louis Hodgins 4-9-1894. Clarinda (or Charlotte) no date.

JOHN; son of Peter/Elizabeth: 1816/27-10-1902 born in Ireland. Married twice – 1st wife Elizabeth (Bessie) Sheehan on 1-8-1843 a date which none of their descendants were able to discover until I found it in the Archives at Watergate in Limerick, the reason being that Elizabeth Sheehan was a Roman Catholic and they were married in the Roman Catholic Church in Rathkeale, and the Records were not available. Also she may have been buried in the Sheehan Roman Catholic grave. She lived in Arlahan with her two brothers George and John and it could be said they were neighbours. Some researchers say John “returned to Ballingrane and married Ann Dobe” but it is more than likely that there was only one emigration – after he married Ann. Some researchers also say Elisabeth Sheehan had a daughter Hannah but as she died, probably when Samuel was born on 7-5-1844, unless they were twins this is not feasible. John married Ann Dobe on 7-9-1847. They had a daughter Elizabeth on 9-7-1848 and emigrated immediately to Canada. Elizabeth died and there is a monument in Christ Church, Ottawa, to her memory. The Church Records there state “This 28th day of September 1848, Elizabeth, infant daughter of John and Ann Micks, emigrants, aged about 10 weeks, was buried by me … S.S.Strong, Diocese of Ottawa”. It was a long and daunting voyage. The ship “Monarch” sailed from Limerick on 20-8-1848 – this MAY have been the ship on which they emigrated.

ANN DOUPE 1826/Jan 1900. was a daughter of Adam Dobe and Elizabeth Miller (daughter of John) of Ballingrane, married 30-4-1820. They emigrated approximately 1849 (per W.Roy Doupe) and are mentioned in the Blanchard Census of 1851 as Adam Dobe of Ireland, farmer, Methodist, born 1796 and his wife Elizabeth born 1797. (Anne Doupe’s siblings were Maria 1834, Adam T. 1842, John 1842 and Elizabeth 1844 all born in Ireland. The latter John’s newspaper Obituary, however, says he was born on 7-1-1844 and died aged 81

I have a copy of John and Anne Doupe’s Marriage Certificate.

Anne Doupe’s ancestor was JOHANN MICHEL DOUPE (Dobe, Dab; Daube) He was the Founder of the Doupe family in Ireland some of whom subsequently emigrated to Canada and the U.S. The Doupes came from HEINZWEILER in the Palatinate of Germany – so we were told when we visited there in 1994. He had come to Ireland with a large party of Palatines in 1709 after two severe winters had destroyed the Vines on which they depended for many of them were Vinedressers – and religious persecution during the War with the French, which decided them to emigrate. – and they settled on the Southwell Estate near Rathkeale. (see Family Tree of Johann Michel Doupe and the Doupe/Micks connection) which follows this MICKS Tree.

John Mick died 27-10-1902 and Anne on 21-1-1900. 11 children were born to them in Micksburg as follows:-
CHARLES; 20-Il-1849 married Sarah White 20-9-1880. He died at Richards landing 10-1-1923

PETER  2-5-1851. married Alexandrina Sutherland on 9-10-1878 He died 8-3-1917 at Powassan. He was a Carpenter. They were parents of ANNIE MICK-BARKER who lived to the great age of 105 years and 8 months and died in 1998. She had been a Missionary to the Ozark Indians in her youth.

JOHN  20-7-1852 married Margaret McEwan 18-9-1878. He died in Ottawa 25-2-1913 and Margaret died 25-5-1918. John was said to have built the first stone house seen in these parts in 1877

MARY ANN She married Adam Miller (2nd wife) in 14-12-1875. Adam died 13-4-1931 and Mary Ann 24-9-1909.


GEORGE; 26-8-1859. married Martha Patterson 5-6-1901 Westmeath. He died in Cobden in 1941.

ELIZABETH; 26-1-1863/9-10-1901. she married Alex Beatty 26-9-1888.

WILLIAM HENRY 9-Il-1865/7-12-1919. married Althea Coleman

DANIEL 10-1-1867 married Annie May Miller 28-9-1898. He became a Clergyman He died in Montreal 23-10-1938.

JOHN’s son SAMUEL from his marriage to Elizabeth Sheehan, and who emigrated with him as a small boy, married ELIZABETH ANN LEECH (3-4-1854/1938) on 27-2-1872. He died 28-6-1912. They had 14 children:

John Leech Mick 25-12-1872 married Hannah Burns Whitmore on 29-6-1900
Bertha Ann 5-6-1874/1946. Married William John Scott 12-3-1897 (grandson Armand Haley md. their grand-daughter Iris Hamilton dtr. of Jemima)
Elizabeth 27-12-1875/1954 married John Alexander Scott 13-10-1903
Alma 4-7-1878/7-2-1879 died (Records say 1887 aged 9) XX
Leah 17-3-1880/1948 married John McLeod Whitmore 6-9-1899
Henry 21-l-1882/4-11-1959 married Annie Frazer l-l0-1912 (Clergyman)  
Adam M. 12-3-1884/10-2-1887 died XX  
Xx Mary Alice 19-6-1886/1972 married Hugh Andrew Bryce 5-6-1919  
xx Samuel Thomas 17-8-1888 married Catherine Britton Mick l6-7-1913  
Parents of Beulah Jelly, writer of a Mick genealogy.  
Ellen Adelaide l8-9-1884/1974 (Census says she was born in 1890) married John Robert Childerhose 21-9-1916  
Abner Charles 16-8-1892/1970 married Lilian Margaret Wright 6-7-1920  
Jemima Armanella Melissa 8-8-1884/1974 (Census says 1894) married Gordon Campbell Hamilton 17-8-1922. (Their daughter Iris md. Armand Haley an avid Mick Researcher)  
Reuben Shillington 18-6-1897 married Mabel Costello 5-6-1912 and when she died he married Rebecca Hughes.  
Jeanette Victoria Evelyn 4-9-1900 married Cecil McIntyre 4-9-1923  
XX  
Florence Mick said Mary and Samuel died as children.  
I have a Childerhose letter to Richard Micks, Lisamota, re a "Match" for his daughter Dora – in reply to which it was said it was not known what Dowry would be required. This marriage did not come about and she did not marry.  

E & O.E:  

THE MICKSBURG MICK FAMILIES  

An article sent to me some years ago quoted a talk given by Ms. Florence Mick to the Micksburg Womens’ Institute, in which she said that JOHN MICK came to Canada with his wife Elizabeth Sheehan and son Samuel, taking six weeks in a sailboat to make the journey. She said that when Elizabeth died after a baby, Hannah, was born (and the baby also) JOHN returned to Ireland and married ANN DOUPE whom he brought to Canada. This story is the same as what subsequently happened, but the Elizabeth who died was Ann & John’s baby, and it is generally thought that he did not emigrate until after his marriage to Ann Doupe. Elizabeth Sheehan, therefore, must have died in Ireland but there is no Record of her death or burial – nor of the baby Hannah. – and I have searched diligently. Elizabeth Sheehan was a Roman Catholic and it is very likely that she was buried in the Sheehan grave at Lisnakera – as they were only married for a short time.- and near where she lived with her two brothers. There is a large Monument to the SHEEHAN family.  

JOHN married ANN DOUPE (she would be related to my Doupe grandmother) on 7-9-1847. Their daughter Elizabeth was baptised 21-7-1848 and they left shortly afterwards for Canada. It is unlikely that if the baby died at sea she would be carried on to Canada, and there is a Memorial in Christ Church Ottawa dated 28-9-1848.
It must have been a terrible journey to undertake with a newborn infant. In June 1994 I visited the Heritage Centre at Cobh (Queenstown) in Co. Cork from where most emigrants left Ireland for the New World, though more than likely John and Ann left from Limerick Quayside with Famine Emigrants. on Francis Spaight’s ships which regularly sailed to Canada for Timber. I watched a wide-screen Video – a very large film which gave the impression that the watcher was actually ON the sailboat, showing the primitive conditions and accommodation which they had to endure. IT WAS HORRIFIC!

JOHN was one of the five sons of Peter Mick & Elizabeth Schumacher who emigrated to Canada, travelling by sailboat and walking the rest of their journey. Land could be purchased at 50 cents an acre and a bonus acreage would be given free. It was covered by treestumps which had to be grubbed out – most probably using horses and chains – to clear the land, and their first crops would have been set around these treestumps.

Life was hard. No Doctors, No Church, No Ministers – but they did not neglect their worship and Services were held in houses and the Schoolhouse which they built, until such time as Micksburg Church was erected in 1879. And Electricity (Hydro) did not arrive there until 1948! It was here that Ann Doupe/Mick gave birth to her children, under the most uncomfortable conditions imaginable, and who worked beside her husband John to construct the fine Farm which their descendants subsequently enjoyed.

John’s son Samuel (son of Elizabeth Sheehan) was with them and in turn was the father of 14 children, so to-day there are very many descendants of JOHN MICK who left Ireland.

JOHN’s sister, MARY ANNE daughter of Peter/Eliz.Shoemaker married Adam Miller also born in Ireland. Their history states that they settled on Lot 1 Concession 18 Wilberforce about 1858. Their son, also Adam Miller, 27, married another Mary Ann Mick aged 21, (daughter of John and Ann Dobe) on 14-12-1875 in Pembroke, and they later owned this farm until about 1902 when it became the property of James Sutherland and wife Pearl Dobson – passing to their son Donald Sutherland and his wife May Mick.

The SUTHERLAND family intermarried with the Mick family as did the Miller and Mick families.

The Sutherlands, William and wife Alexandrina Ross, emigrated from Scotland and settled on Lot 2, Con.5. When they retired their son John and first wife Isabelle Mick and 2nd wife Jessie McEwan owned the farm which they passed to their son Alexander and wife Verla Mick. (daughter of William John Mick and Sarah Jane Dobson)

John Mick/Ann Doupe’s son Peter married Alexandrina Sutherland and their daughter ANNIE AGNES was born 26-2-1893 in Powasan, Ontario. She married William Barker and lived to the great age of 105 and 8 months until 1998. (50 years a
widow) Paul Barker; Delta Bement and David Barker are her children. Her sister Muriel Olivia Byers, reached her 100th Birthday on 17-10-2000. (now decd).

Peter’s son DANIEL and his wife Catherine Libby settled on Lot 5 Con.5 and they later divided their farm between their sons, Dan Syd and wife Margaret Mills, and son Mountipher and wife Mary Townsend. The Census of 1871 says Daniel was born “in England” which is not correct. He was born in Ireland. Eight children are recorded on the Census – Mountefer 17; Phenla –15; Sharlot 13; Henereta – 8; Easter – 6; Elizabeth–4; Cathren – 2. The spelling is to say the least, Unique!

The Census of 1851 of Stafford Township, Renfrew Co., enumerates SAMUEL – (and his parents PETER/ELIZABETH) son of John’s first wife Elizabeth Sheehan) - as being 8 years of age and born in Ireland, followed by Charles aged 6 born in Canada. JOHN and ELIZABETH are enumerated as being 67 and 62 years of age respectively. The 1861 Census, however, enumerates SAMUEL as being 16 and Charles 12 and in 1871 SAMUEL 26 and Charles 21. Only PETER is enumerated – aged 90 – his wife Elizabeth Schumacher Mich having since died (1860s).

A short History of Micksburg Community written in the 1930s says that MONTIFORD Mick and Janet Campbell (together with her father) took up Lot 1 Con.5 and that he owned the first Wagon and Express.

GEORGE Mick and his wife Rachel Miller settled on half of Lot 3 5th Con. Until he went to the village to keep store and Postoffice and sold the farm to his brother PETER and wife Katherine Sweeney and it was then owned by WM.JOHN Mick and his first wife Agnes Sutherland and second wife Jane Dobson. WHEN GEORGE MICK FIRST KEPT THE POSTOFFICE IT BECAME KNOWN AS THE VILLAGE OF MICKSBURG.

Charles also lived nearby.

There are many villages and towns in Canada and America named for their settlers– such as Sparling, Switzerville and Teskey (now Appleton)

The winter before JOHN and ANNE went to Canada, 1846/7, was the worst in living memory in Ireland and at the height of the GREAT FAMINE. In the preceding years emigration had been in the region of 200,000 but in 1851 it peaked at a quarter of a million souls.

The women of Micksburg spun cloth and made clothes for their families and it was not until 1948 – nearly a century after the Micks arrival there, that Electricity came to Micksburg and made life easier – by then 4 or 5 generations of Micks had lived there. The pine log house which John had built was then still standing.

In a big fire in 1881 the village was threatened but saved by a change in the wind.
It is interesting to note how many of these Irish Palatine emigrants married twice. Palatine women were noted for working beside their husbands from the time they came to Ireland, but as pioneers in Canada life must have been much harder. Travel was by foot, horse or wagon – and even Oxen were used. Women had to be nurse and doctor in illness and emergency and there were no telephones.

MICKSBURG CHURCH:

Built in 1879, the first Service was held two weeks after the commencement of the building – a Methodist Church, it became the United Church of Canada in 1925. The land on which the Church stood was purchased from GEORGE MICK on 16-5-1879, and the Trustees were Adam Miller senior, George Mick junior, Peter Mick junior and John Mick junior, all descendants of the original pioneers, two of whom, Daniel, and Henry became clergymen.

The Pulpit was hand carved by Frederick Townsend and the first child baptised in the Church was William Townsend. The Pulpit was brought to the Church on a “jumper” similar to a wooden sleigh with curved runners. George Black plastered the Church and put on the first coat on the ceiling and walls, with the exception of about 8 ft. in one day – the men who were mixing and carrying the plaster refused to work longer hours! The Church was log built and after 1936 it was clapboarded. Details of the gifts donated to the Church – not necessarily at the time of building - are as follows and it will be noted that names of the individual Donors are related and intermarried with the MICK/s family.

Main entrance door – Mr. & Mrs, Peter Black; Pulpit Carpet – Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Childerhose; Offering Plates – Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Stone; Name Board for the Church – Ms. Florence Mick. Memorial Windows “In Memory of Mrs. & Mrs. Samuel Mick and Mrs. John Scott” were donated by Mr. & Mrs. Abner C. Mick, Rev. & Mrs. Henry Mick, Mr. Reuben Mick; Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Hamilton, Mrs. Nellie Childerhose, Mrs. Mary Bye, Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Mick, Mr. & Mrs. Aler Scott, Mr. & Mrs. Cecil McIntyre and Mr. J.L. Mick. “In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. John Whitmore” – Mr. & Mrs. John Griffin, Mr. & Mrs. Walter Pottruff, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Hobday and Mr. & Mrs. Bert Leech. “In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Mountipher Mick” – Mr. & Mrs. Samuel O.Mick, Mr. & Mrs. George Dickie, Ford Mick, Mr. & Mrs. Samuel T. Mick and Mrs. M. Sutherland. “In Memory and appreciation of Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Mick and Mr. & Mrs. Daniel S. Mick” donated by Mr. & Mrs. John Carmody and Mr. Mills Mick. “In Appreciation of Mrs. & Mrs. William E. Black” donated by Mr. & Mrs. Martin Logan, Mr. & Mrs. Elmer Mick, Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Prange, Mr. & Mrs. Keith Black, Mr. & Mrs. Neil Black, and Mr. & Mrs. Brian Black. A Window by Mrs. Ernest Stone.”

Note: The newspaper report from which I have taken this information was written by the Staff Correspondent of a newspaper which is not named.
After 116 years of Faithful Ministry, 1879 to 1995, the old Micksburg United Church was moved to The Champlain Trail Museum in Pembroke, and lovingly restored. From May until October Services were held each Thursday evening – taken by a local clergyman (all denominations) and a local Organist played. A visiting Choir or soloist participated. The Re-dedication Service was held on Sunday May 31st 1998 at 4 p.m. by the Rev. Murray McGlashen.- using scripture readings that could have been used at the original site in 1879 – and in the presence of many Mick descendants.

MICK FAMILY RE-UNIONS:

Every year since 1961 the Mick descendants have been holding a RE-UNION. August, 1998 was special in that it was 150 years since they first settled in Canada. A report was featured in the Cobden Sun written by Marie Zettler, and their descendant, Florence Mick then 95 years of age told of her memories and stories told to her by her older relatives. (At the Reunion of 2002 it was decided that Reunions would only be held every two years - the next one in 2004.)

There were, she said, great epidemics of diphtheria and smallpox and almost every family was affected - father’s siblings, Mary 13 and Sam 7, had died within a few days of each other. Bears took livestock and deer damaged the precious wheat. Her father thought nothing of putting a bag of wheat on his shoulder and carrying it to Pembroke (then Miramichi) a distance of 14 miles, to be ground into flour and then carrying it home. Schooling was in the winter when there was less farm work to do. Cows were not expected to give milk during the winter as there was never enough feed. And meat was reserved for the hard-working men of the house, - cutting trees to clear the land. Boys and girls, she said, were dressed alike until about 4 years of age (a similar practice to parts of Ireland) Nightcaps were worn to keep both men and women warm in bed, and they both also smoked pipes. The MICH family had left the Pfalz (Rhineland Palatinate) in 1709 to escape the disastrous winters - which killed the Vines and cattle,- and the advancing French armies. The River Rhine froze over and stayed so for five weeks and even Wine froze. Snowshoes had to be worn to travel about.

A LIST OF MICKS WHOM I HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO “SLOT IN’ WITH OUR FAMILIES;

John – Dundalk Co. Louth (son of Erwin) 5-1-1766

George & Catherine, Courtmatrix Catherine … bap. 15-11-1758
John & Catherine Catherine 4-3-1766

Francis Holmes & Arabella MICKS
   Mary Catherine 23-1-1788
   Richard Fitzgerald Holmes 3-11-1790
John/Margaret, Ardcanny
    George, Ardcanny 24-3-1806

John/Elizabeth, Mountbrown
    William 15-11-1812 (did he marry Anne? - probably the Mary Anne who died 18-10-1887)

William/Anne
    John 25-10-1835 (bap.10-11-1835) possible father of John who married Elizabeth.
    “a child” 12-12-1840 bap. 20-12-1840

John/Elizabeth, Nantenan
    Samuel 29-4-1815
    John 15-5-1818 possibly the John/Elizabeth who had William

John/Elizabeth
    John 5-11-1815

George/Elizabeth (daughter of Catherine, Pallas Commons – one of the Catherines listed above?) were married 30-3-1825

A DORAH Mick b or bap. 25-10-1803 was born to a WINSTON (?William?) and ANNE. Nantinan Parish

John, Ballywilliam, married Alice Berkery, Rathkeale, on 12-9-1837 in Rathkeale Church of Ireland, he could be one of the Johns (?John born 1815) – parents names are not always accurate!

Richard/Elizabeth 8-2-1846 and had a daughter Mary Anne 8-2-1846 (one date is incorrect – marriage or baptism)

So many unidentified JOHNs – it is impossible to sort them!

JOHN MICK a Coachman (then working in Ballybrood, Caherconlish. Co.Limerick converted to Roman Catholicism on 16-1-1868 in Rathkeale R.C. Church – apparently to marry MARY PATT. They had a son John born 24-3-1869 (per birth Certificate) and a daughter Kathleen on 5-4-1891 (Michael John and Mary Patt). I have a marriage Certificate which says that their son JOHN Mick (also a Coachman at Plassey) married Mary Curran, Wellingtonville, Limerick, on 17-5-1894 in St. Michael’s R.C. Church, Limerick. Archive Records say they had a daughter Mary 21-4-1895 and a daughter Margaret in 1896 (per 1909 Census) both baptised in Donaghmore R.C. Church.

The Census of 1901 says that John Micks was head of a Roman Catholic family, aged 32, with wife Mary (aged 33) a daughter Mary (aged 5) and a daughter Margaret (aged 4) living in St. Nicholas Parish, Castle Ward, Limerick.
We have also not identified:
Joseph Mick married Mary, son William Mick born 19-8-1832 Nantinan Parish. (Could his wife have been Mary Sharp and is the following Joseph his son who emigrated?)

A Joseph Micks, (son of Joseph and Mary Sharp) said to have been born in Ireland c l842, (per John Henry) living in Albion Township, Canada, married 3 times. His first wife was Bridget McCarron whom he married at Toronto on 3-2-1862; 2nd wife Margaret McKeown, (from Scotland) Orangeville 24-10-1876. And 3rd Ellen Carson, Orangeville on 3-9-1890 – she is said to have died in Alton, Ontario in 1912. Joseph and Bridget are said to have had 3 children – William John, Joseph, and Mary.

RESEARCHER LIZ STAPLES (grand-daughter of Richard Lambert Micks, discovered a MICKS family living in Mallow. Co. Cork.
Their children:
  George Mick b. 1870
  Elizabeth 1872
  Mary 1875
  William 1877
  Margaret b. 2nd quarter 1879
  Thomas 3rd quarter 1881

AN INTERESTING NOTE; (per Liz)
A Margaritha MICH daughter of Nicholas MICH and Annee Franciosae SCHUMACHER was baptised 9-3-1755 in GUINKIRCHEN, MOSELLE. France. Our ancestor Peter Mick married Elizabeth Schumacher in 1807. Could it possibly be that the two families were known to one another before the emigration from the Pfalz in 1709 and that they made contact again in Ireland as distant Cousins?

D O U P E

The DOUPE family intermarried with the MICK/s on several occasions.
MARGARET MICK daughter of Adam married JOHN DOUPE
ANN DOUPE married JOHN MICK as his second wife
DORA DOUPE married ADAM MICK (my grandfather)
CECELIA DOUPE married MONTIFORD EDMOND Mick

JOHANN MICHEL DOUPE (Dobe; Dab; Daube) was the Founder of the DOUPE families in Ireland, some of who emigrated to Canada, the U.S.A and other countries.
The DOUPES came from HINZWEILER in the Palatinate (Pfalz) of Germany – that is what we were told when in a party of Irish Palatines we visited there in 1944.
Daube families were known to be living in Hochstettan 1616; Weisenham 1628; Worms 1502; Zweibrucken 1616; Hagenbach..

JOHANN MICHEL DAUB (Doupe/Dope) came to Ireland with the 2nd party of Palatines in 1709 with his wife MARY and one son JOHN. (Another record says they embarked from Rotterdam in the 5th party on 4-7-1709 and arrived London 18th July and from where they left for Ireland and the Southwell estate.) A document shews him to be living there on 29-9-1720. A second son CHARLES was born in Ireland. John Michel was buried 3-1-1753, his wife Mary l2-2-1752 and their son John 17-2-1766. Two daughters Mary and Elizabeth both died 1785 a John junior buried 4-l0-1877 and his wife Mary ll-2-18l0. (their daughters?)

CHARLES now the head of the Doupe family, married MARY EVE CORNEILE on 27-ll-1744 and they had 8 known children:-

MARY Dope l7-8-l746 (married Jacob Tether (Tetler) 5-3-l767)
ADAM bapt. 12-8-1751.(died l827) married MARY NEAZER 28-1-1783. (she was buried 3-12-1807 in Croom) They had six known children..
MICHAEL 19-1-1754 - died
JOHN bapt. 15-l0-1756 (buried 23-8-18l8) md ELIZABETH PHIZZLE 21-4-1778 (bapt.9-1-1757 buried l3-8-1837) daughter of Adam Fissell/Mary Dolmage.
JACOB 24-10-176l – died 5-2-1766
MICHAEL 22-6-1759 - died
CHARLES 5-10-1763 – died aged 2 months
SAMUEL 1-7-1768 - died 10-7-1849 – md. Catherine Shier

Only JOHN and SAMUEL survived to marry and of Samuel’s ll children only 2 stayed in Ireland, so all members of the DOUPE family in Ireland are related. Samuel married Catherine Shier. and they had ll children between 1797 and l820. 2 daughters died as infants and 7 of the children emigrated -. to American and Canada– one, Tirza, (married Gleazer) to Australia.

JOHN married Elizabeth Phizzle (also spelled Fitzell, Fizzle) 2l-4-1778. Their known children were :

MICHAEL bapt. 4-l0-1778 (may be the Michael of Tuogh buried 17-l-l815)
MARY 3-3-l782 (possibly the Mary buried 26-l2-1846)
HENRY 6-6-l784.:
JOHN c1796.

HENRY married AGNUS (she was buried 13-12-1837 aged 65) and their known children were:

AGNUS buried 28-5-1808
SAMUEL - died 1849 in his 40s

JOHN born c.1804 (buried 29-11-1893) married Margaret MICK. She was the grand-daughter of ADAM BAKER who married ANNE ROSE (later spelled Royce) on 13-4-1784 (Nantenan Church Records). Their daughter MARY BAKER born 1786 married ADAM MICK in 1806 (a grandson of the Palatine Mick Family Founder) They lived in the vicinity of Ballingrane/Rathkeale, on a Southwell Estate Palatine Settlement)

MARY & ADAM’S children were:-

MARGARET MICK
DORA (Dorothea) MICK
MOUNTY (Montiford) MICK

When ADAM Mick died she married Charles Miller of Kilbreedy and had 8 more children. Their son, Adam Miller, married Mary Ann Mick Walsh - a widow and daughter of Peter Mick (Adam Mick’s brother) & Elizabeth Schumacher (Mary Anne had previously married Walsh) Another son Charles Miller married Margaret Latchford whose son George married Tirza Mick (my grandfather’s sister and Dora Doupe’s sister-in-law the daughter of Margaret/John Doupe)

MARGARET MICK married JOHN DOUPE and they had seven children.

Their children were:

JULIUS l831/l6-ll-l9ll
CHARLES l833/l2-5-l925
SAMUEL l84l/l2-5-l93l
DOROTHEA (Dora) c.1840/29-6-l929
MONTIFORD c.1846/19-10-1932
JOHN

IT IS SAID THERE WERE SEVEN CHILDREN – we have not traced the seventh who may have died.

Most of the DOUPE families were Methodists – since the time of John Wesley’s visits – and many are buried in the little Cemetery beside the Embury/Heck Memorial Church in Ballingrane as well as in the Rathkeale and Nantenan Church of Ireland Cemeteries.
JULIUS

As the eldest, he left home as soon as he was old enough to do so and emigrated to the United States of America, where for a time he was a Policeman. He married MARY CATHERINE O’BRIEN who was of Irish extraction, in Manchester USA and converted to Roman Catholicism for the marriage under the Ne Temere Decree and which is still in force in parts of Canada (2000) to ensure that the children of the marriage are brought up as Roman Catholics, and he was re-baptised into the Roman Catholic Church in Manchester in 1869 and a new Baptismal Certificate was issued.

It was on this that his descendants, Phyllis Dobe, and her cousin Cynthia Dobe, found the name of his parents – John and Margaret Doupe, born in Ireland as was Julius himself, and which started their research.

Their children were:
1. CATHERINE 15-9-1870 – died unmarried 28-1-1953
2. JOHN 28-9-1873 died 28-5-1880
3. CORNELIUS 9-12-1876 died 15-1-1954 married Annie Provencher 16-9-1902 (1876/1912)
4. FRANCIS 28-12-1879 died 19-1-1951 married Catherine Flanagan (born 1884) in 1906
5. MICHAEL FRANCIS 26-8-1883 died 3-2-1965 unmarried.
6. JOHN ALOYSIUS 14-3-1886 died 18-10-1960 md. Margaret Whalen 16-11-1925
7. MARGARET 28-7-1888 died 3-11-1888.

1 & 2 CATHERINE and JOHN died unmarried.

3 Children of CORNELIUS AND ANNIE Provencher:

EDWARD ALPHONSUS 28-10-1904 died 17-1-1978 married CLARA VOLKMAN 19-8-1929. (13-6-1907/1-3-1979)
ANNA 13-1-1906 unmarried and still living (2000)
EVERETT 7-11-1908 died 4-11-1910

Edward & Clara had 2 children
JOAN 1934 died 1989
EDWARD FRANCIS 4-3-1938 married LUCY ANNE BATTEY

Edward Frances & Lucy Anne (17-10-1938 md.5-8-1963) had 4 children:

MICHAEL EDWARD 6-11-1965 married DONNA MARIE EVANS 26-12-1987
CYNTHIA LUCY 2-2-1968
TIMOTHY STEPHEN 10-12-1971 married JENNIFER KIRCHMEYER 5-8-1995
KATHERINE JOY 28-8-1979

MICHAEL EDWARD & DONNA MARIE had 3 children:
MICHAEL EDWARD Junior 24-10-1989
EMILY 9-7-1994
SOPHIA MARIE 4-ll-1998.

4 FRANCIS 28-12-1879 married CATHERINE FLANAGAN 1906 (she died 1984 aged 100).

Children of FRANCIS & CATHERINE;
WILLIAM 31-10-1907 (died November 1973) married DELVINA (8-6-1907/1970)
DOROTHY MAY 28-1-1908/29-3-1910
FRANCIS J. 1913/1990 married GABRIELLA COOLIDGE
RUTH 17-8-1918 died 17-12-1924
CATHERINE EUNICE 29-9-1920 died 30-9-1920
JOHN married HAZEL died 1999
ANNE (still living 2000)
DORIS (still living 2000)

Children of WILLIAM (31-10-07/ Jan 1970) & DELVINA
WILLIAM
JOHN (impaired Hearing)
ELAINE

Children of FRANCIS J/Gabriella Coolidge
CATHERINE
DORIS (DeeDee)
PATRICIA
FRANCES
MICHAEL

Children of JOHN married HAZEL:
LYNN (md. Charles Routhier – 2 children, Michael & Meghan
DEBBIE (md. Walter Lambert – 3 children, Aileen Jennifer (born in Scotland) Emily & Olivia

BILLY (died late teens)
TOMMY (md. Patricia (2 children, Kerri and Katie)
MARY KATHLEEN – died as infant.

5 MICHAEL FRANCIS 26-8-1883 died 3-2-1965 unmarried.

6 JOHN ALOYSIUS 14-3-1886 died 18-10-1960 married MARGARET WHALEN.
   1 daughter DOROTHY PHYLLIS

7 MARGARET 28-7-1888 died 3-11-1888

Above research by CYNTHIA LUCY (Edward Francis/Lucy Ann Battey) and PHYLLIS Dobe (John Aloysius/Margaret Whalen) with additions by ALBERTA CALLENDER. (Dora Doupe MICKS) for inclusion in her DOUPE Family Tree.

JULIUS’ Researchers thought that he was the younger son of John and Margaret whereas Montiford was always considered to be the younger, and we have three different dates for Julius – his adult Baptismal Certificates states that he was born on 15th June 1847; his Marriage Certificate states that he was 24 years old when he married on 9th September 1869 and his Death Certificate states that he was born in 1831 when he died on 16th November 1911. This age is most likely correct. His brother Charles (if dates are correct) was born in 1833; Samuel in 1841; Dora in 1846, possibly John next and Montiford in 1859. As there is such a gap between births of these children it is possible that there were still-births in between. We shall never know!

Julius emigrated to New Hampshire c. 1860s (see Death Certificate which states he was a resident of Manchester for 50 years) and as the eldest he would be following the usual pattern of families who emigrated from Ireland – i.e., small houses, large families, and as sons reached maturity they left the family home, usually to emigrate to the New World, and when settled they usually claimed out their next of kin – you will see this with a great many families.

CHARLES 1833 – 12-5-1925

CHARLES married JANE CHAPMAN (daughter of John) in St. John’s Church Limerick 19-9-1871. She may have come from Kilfinane but was then residing in Roches Street Limerick. CHARLES was buried 12-5-1925; JANE on 25-12-1933. Church Records say he was a Shepherd and Lodgekeeper on the Westropp Estate at Ballysteen in Co Limerick. This estate reaches down to the river Shannon at Beigh Castle where a large retaining Wall was built along the river during Famine times – men used walk from Rathkeale (roughly 9 or 10 miles) daily and their pay was two pence per day!. The house had a thatched roof and electricity was not installed – his wife, her son Charles said, made Candles by dipping a long wick in mutton fat! There was a large open fireplace
and pots were hung on a “crane” over the fire. Pot Ovens with a lid were also used - reddened Turf was placed on the lid and underneath to cook the contents. One of their pots may be seen in the Palatine Museum as may also the large heavy black Kettle, and a Clothes Iron into which a piece of metal, heated in the fire, was inserted. A favourite breakfast Charles (her son) said was yellow meal cooked and served with Milk – known as stirabout!

Their children were:-

JOHN; CHARLES; LOUISA; MARGARET; MARIA; ROBERT; MATILDA

JOHN – buried 3-II-1956 aged 85. When his father died he took over the working of the Westropp Estate and continued to live in the Gatelodge with his sisters. He was very fastidious but died unmarried.

CHARLES – buried (or died) 15-II-1965 aged 85. Married Polly (Mary) Capper – no children. He is buried in the Doupe grave in Nantenan, Polly in Castletown Churchyard. Charles was a wonderful worker in timber or iron – he once dismantled a Threshing machine and built it again from scratch in Timber! He once constructed – for that is the word! – one of the first Greenhouses to be seen for the growing of Tomatoes on the Westropp Estate – it is probably still standing in this year of 2000 as the timber he used was so strong! He loved Flowers and the daily Bus passing by his house at Beigh Cross used stop to allow the passengers to admire the wonderful Dahlias! He would regularly cycle the 18 miles distance to Limerick to obtain the necessary items for his work. He was in his 80s before he first tasted “strong drink”. And he refused to accept the Government Old Age Pension on the grounds that it was “Charity”.

LOUISA 5-II-1885 bapt. 13-II-1885 died 28-I-1970
emigrated to England and married ALBERT VICTOR GORDON RANCE 7-8-1923 (16-7-1898/10-10-1979)

Three children,


MARGARET – married MARSHALL, lived Leeds, England. Three children – Leonard; George; Matilda.. (Matilda died 1-10-1996) I do not have dates for her brothers.
MARIA baptised 26-9-1880 buried 27-2-1970 aged 96 - unmarried spent most of her life housekeeping in England. She was accidentally drowned when she fell into a Drain.

ROBERT 14-5-1882 died young 6-8-1882

MATILDA 23-10-1883 died 11-4-1980. Matilda lived at home in Ballysteen and when older she went to live with Marshalls at 12 Moor Park drive, Headingley. up to the time of her death. She was cremated and at her wish was buried in Nantenan Churchyard in the Doupe grave, 28-4-1980 A very active person – I can still see her flying by on her bicycle at a great speed!

HARRIETT 5-10-1887 buried 14-6-1949 unmarried, aged 62. Lived at home in Ballysteen.

JANE died 11-5-1948 married Joseph John Perrott 10-2-1915 (son of William) one son Canon Joseph John 11-2-1919 baptised 16-3-1919 died 29-1-1999 in his 80th year, interred Askeaton Churchyard in his parents’ grave. A History Of Limerick says the Perrots were descended from an illegitimate son of King Henry 8th! His considerable Library of Books was donated to Limerick University at a function there when his second cousin, Alberta Callender, was requested to make the presentation. His Theological Books were shared with the Mary Immaculate College. JOEY (as I knew him) had entered the Civil Service and was for many years Postmaster in Roscrea Co. Tipperary. Entering the Ministry he was Ordained in 1964 for St. George’s, Dublin, and then transferred to Cork Diocese from where he retired when a Canon and Rector of Ballydehob, spending his retirement in Kingston College, Mitchelstown. His love of flowers made him a keen photographer and these photographs have been presented to the Heritage Centre in Broughshane, Co. Antrim, where they will eventually be on display.

Researched by Alberta Callender.

SAMUEL

SAMUEL married SARAH SIMPSON (Methodist Church Records say “daughter of a Soldier of Rockfield” 26-10-1874. Samuel and Sarah lived at Rockfield near Rathkeale. He died 11-5-1931 “aged 90” and Sarah died 24-11-1942 “aged 87”. It is thought he worked on the nearby Massey Estate of Stoneville – daughter Sarah Maria and her brother Henry Wesley were the last two occupants of the house in which they lived.

Teskeys of Rockfield and Bakers were neighbours (per Kevin McHugh who now owns the Baker farm). My mother (Elizabeth Micks) told me that when she and her brothers
and sisters walked to Rathkeale School (3 miles), they sometimes called in at the Baker farmhouse. Mrs. Baker would give them each a slice of homemade bread topped with Cream and Sugar. It was a delectable morsel – my Mum did it for me to try! Large pans of milk would be “set” and the risen Cream used for Buttermaking. The Baker house is now derelict and these Bakers were undoubtedly relatives of the children’s great-great-grandmother Mary Baker Mick. (Recently -2003 - I passed by this house and it was in the course of restoration - wonderful what a bucket of Cement mix can do!!)

Children of Samuel and Sarah:-

MARGARET 24-7-1875 married Tom Edwards, a Shoemaker
1 son (handicapped), 1 daughter

SARAH MARIA (Mona) known also as Cis – 9-6-1877 unmarried. Handicapped – short leg – died aged 84


JOHN SAMUEL 24-8-1882. Emigrated about 1904, probably to join his Uncle Montiford in Iowa. Killed when he fell from scaffolding, according to a Cherokee newspaper report of his funeral dated 12-ll-1906 which said he was in the country just two years and that his funeral was the Redman rite (?). – burial in his Uncle Montiford’s family grave. His death Certificate which I have, says he died of Typhoid. (Cemetery stone says 1883-1906) (Bapt.Cert ll-8-1884 - Methodist)

ANNE 2-9-1879 a letter from her sister Mary (J.S.Doupe) said she disappeared without contact and when eventually located had been buried in a “Pauper’s Grave”.


HUGH MONTIFORD 15-10-1890. Was Signalman at Rathkeale Railway Station. Married Maggie from Emly, Co. Tipperary. (Registered 4th Quarter, Rathkeale, 1925 Ref. 3/373. Died 1940 He had 3 sons – John Samuel 1931; James 1932; William 1934.

MARY 23-4-1893: Married and widowed c 1935. 1 son and 1 daughter.


Children of John Samuel/Eileen Oakley:
John Samuel junior 20-2-1964 - married - 3 children 
Paul Albert 30-5-1959 unmarried – lives Philadelphia 
Siobhan – married - twins

John Samuel junior married Jacqui Tormey 26-6-1989 – 2 children Sarah 
18-l2-1992  Sean 12-6-1997 (& 1 son stillborn – premature birth), and daughter 
2002
Siobhan married Garda Paul Healy 26-9-1984 – twins, Patrick and Eileen 12-
6-1997.

HENRY WESLEY; ll-7-1897 (died/buried 4-ll-1969) Methodist Records. Unmarried – lived Rockfield and worked on the Massey Estate.

This research is the combined effort of John Samuel Doupe and Alberta Callender of Ireland. JOHN SAMUEL or SAMUEL JOHN was a name continued in several generations.

DORA

Dora Doupe, daughter of John and Margaret, was born c.1840. She married ADAM LEONARD MICK 1-ll-1871 (son of Joseph Mick). Church Records say she was 83 when she died on 29-6-1929. Adam died 9-12-1915 (born c.1844) They lived at Wellmount (Ardgoul) Co Limerick. Adam oversaw the adjoining estate as what would to-day be known as a “Farm Manager” for Dr. Condon and his two sisters. When Dr. Condon died, he continued to manage it for them.

Their children:
WILLIAM LEONARD (Bill) August l872
PETER HENRY (Peter) 17-5-1873
MARGARET JANE (Cis) l4-4-1875
DOROTHY MILLICENT (Dora) c.l877.
ELIZABETH KATHERINE (Lizzie) 16-3-1879
RICHARD LAMBERT (Bert) 15-2-1881
ADAM GRAVES (Addie) 15-6-1883
MARY JANE (May) 29-8-1885

WILLIAM LEONARD – Bill – suffered from severe Arthritis. He was a well-known expert on Beekeeping and would sit amid his Hives keeping an eye on them with a Spyglass.
PETER HENRY – Peter – married Annie Parkinson of Lixnaw Co. Kerry on 6-6-1912, who, with her siblings, had emigrated to Indianapolis, Indiana, and to where he had gone to join them. He had worked at a Stud Farm at Southill, Limerick and she may have worked in Southill House. He was for a while a “Pinkerton Man” – a Railroad detective, in the U.S. and had one of the first Oldsmobile Cars seen in Indiana State! He collapsed and died when running to a fire in his place of business at night.

MARGARET JANE – Cis – was unmarried and worked most of her life in England, housekeeping for a clergyman in Fishponds, Bristol, and when she retired returned to live at Wellmount.

DOROTHY MILLICENT – Dora – married a widower, Edmund Twiss (also a Palatine) ex Royal Irish Constabulary on 1-6-1920 in St. Michael’s Church, Limerick. They lived in Dangan Mill House (now Manor!) in Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny – a lovely house with Millwheel, Millrace and an island on which they owned the Fishing Rights. The Millrace, which was overlooked by a window in the house, could be seen to have very many Trout. The house had a “secret room” which contained Fishing Rods and hunting Rifles. I visited several years ago and was given a “guided tour” by the lady who then owned it. Dora died in the 1930s – no children – she may have had step-children. Having been firstly married in a Registry Office her mother insisted she got married again – properly – in Church, before she would allow her to “put step in the house”!

ELIZABETH KATHERINE; 16-3-1879 married Albert Charles Benn (Charlie) 21-8-1911. She died 11-3-1952 and he died 15-9-1953. He was a son of Frank Benn and Maryanne Airey and she was a second wife. They are all interred in his mother’s family Grave – Airey – in Clonlara Co. Clare. He was then a Claims Clerk with the Limerick Steamship Co., and later owned his own business – Limerick Typewriter Co., They had 3 children.

Rhoda Frances 7-5-1912 died 16-3-1915 – her Mother’s Birthday – suddenly, from Quincey Croup, having been in perfect health that morning. Interred Clonlara.

RHODA FRANCES ELIZABETH 25-8-1915 died 23-1-1982 (Dublin hospital) She suffered from severe Arthritis from the age of 33. Married Charles James SMYTH (Charlie) son of Joseph and Clarenda (Long) both Palatines, 7-7-1943. They had two children:

Rev. Canon Kenneth James Smyth 22-ll-1943 married Jennifer Matthews of Bangor Co. Down (daughter of Gordon Matthews and wife) They have 3 children and live in Newtownards where Ken is Rector.

1 Rev. Peter Charles Gordon married Elizabeth Catherine Spray July 1996 (daughter of Rev. Spray and wife)
2  Sarah
3  Catherine


ALBERTA PATRICIA ANNE; 17-2-1921 married 18-6-1945 Francis Edmund Callender (born 17-1-1903) son of Arthur Callender and his wife Catherine. They have 3 children:

1  JOYCE PATRICIA 20-3-1946 married Rev. Canon John Frederick Augustus BOND 6-6-1968. (now Dean of Connor) They live in Broughshane Co. Antrim having moved from Ballynure/Ballyclare where John had been Rector for 22 years. to St. Patrick’s, Broughshane. They have 3 Children:

  Susan Patricia 29-9-1971 married Andrew William Brown, son of Rev. Dr., Gordon Brown and his wife on 7-7-1975. They are both Teachers in Ballymena


  Allan John Robert 28-11-1974 married Sinead Murphy, a Pharmacist, on 30-10-1999.


2  REV. FRANCIS CHARLES CALLENDER; 18-10-1948 married Susan Elizabeth Anderson of Coalinga, California, in Dunfanaghy Co. Donegal on 17-3-1975. Both her parents had died when she was very young, - her Aunt Irene (Anderson) Kaiser (now 100 years old) who became her guardian came to Ireland for the wedding. They have 2 children:

  Paul Francis Edwin 21-12-1979 was born in Bandon Co. Cork where his father was Curate (Paul worked for a year in America - L.A) Francis and Susan emigrated to New Zealand where he became assistant to the Dean of Wellington in Wellington Cathedral for a time. They then translated to the Parish of Pongorooa and when their daughter

  Abigail Susan was born weighing only 680 grams (5th month) they moved to a Parish near Wellington Wainuiomata before transferring to Auckland where Frank was the College Chaplin and teacher of Latin. They then decided to come back to Ireland and await a Visa to go to
America as Susan was anxious to return to be near her elderly Aunt. (100 in 2002) The Parish of Manteca, California was their next move, but they decided they would be happier again in New Zealand and transferred to Christchurch in the South Island where they are still living. (2000) and working.

3 ARTHUR ALLAN; (Allan) 30-4-1952 married Beverley Geen Leech 28-4-1979 (daughter of Douglas and his wife Winifred Ruddock. They have two sons, both still at School. (2000)

Nigel Allan 4-2-1985
Eric Arthur 19-5-1989

Allan and Beverley live beside me – Rathuard – having built his own house himself.

RICHARD LAMBERT; - Bert – 15-2-1881 married his 1st cousin Eva Lillian Hallaran) in Bristol, England, to where he had emigrated, on 26-12-1913 (daughter of his Aunt Elizabeth (Micks) Hallaran. He died 4-2-1956; Eva Lillian 3-5-1964. They had two children:

1 Lambert John Adam (little Bertie) 20-10-1914 married
   Louisa Lily Fox 28-8-1937. He died 8-10-1938 following
   A shipboard accident when he fell into the Hold
   No children – Lily may have married again.

2 Elizabeth Dora (little Lizzie) 28-44-1918 married
   Leonard Frederick Allaway 26-12-1942 26-12-1942
   (died 28-2-1974). They had 2 children:

   Elizabeth (Liz) 26-12-1943 married
   David Staples 18-3-1978. No children.
   Liz is an avid Family Historian.

   John Leonard Allaway 22-10-1949 married
   Anne Louise Edwards on 8-1-1981 (she
   Died 30-6-1997) 2 children

   Matthew James 25-9-1979
   Rebecca 13-3-1981.

ADAM GRAVES MICKS 15-7-1883. Emigrated to the U.S in 1926 and lived with his brother Peter and his wife up to the time of his marriage to Winifred Ruth Garver on 1-10-1929. He died (leukemia) on 16-2-1938. Before he emigrated he was a Carpenter. They had two children:
Winifred Margaret (Patty) 29-6-1932 married Billy J Miller (born 30-6-1928) on 1-ll-1953. He Had Irish connections in Co. Donegal but it is not known if he is a Palatine MILLER. They have four children:

- William Jay 15-12-1955 married Della Lee Sayers (born 12-4-1958) on 28-5-1979
  - Daughter AMANDA born 12-1-1982 (premature)
  - The marriage was dissolved in July 2000.


  - 2 children:
    - Nicholas Sean 1-10-1990
    - Hannah Lyn 15-7-1994

- Patti Jill 10-8-1962 married Roy Dennis Dautzenberg (born 24-10-1966) on 7-6-1986
  - 2 children:
    - Brett William Miller D. 30-1-1992
    - Brooks Matthew Miller D. 22-5-1995

2) RICHARD JOHN ADAM; 6-1-1935 (Dickie) died tragically in the July following his father’s death (septicamea)

ADAM GRAVES WIDOW: Winifred, fostered over 300 children, mostly in her own home and in the Flanagan Childrens’ Home, since her husband died. She adopted Lynn Ann when she was three years of age and died 8-10-1994 in her 98th year. There is a large Newspaper account of her life. I remember when Addie emigrated to America – I was left in my go-car (baby buggy) at the Railway Station while his sisters went up to the Train for Cobh to bid him goodbye. I protested loudly!!

MARY JANE; 29-8-1885 married Edward Ruttle (born 6-8-1901) – both his parents were Ruttle – 28-10-1931. She died 16-2-1969 in Newcastlewest Hospital. May was very pretty and had many offers of marriage but as the youngest daughter it was her “duty” to stay at home and mind her parents – she nursed her father, her mother, her sister, her brother and her mother-in-law, but sadly there was no-one to nurse her and she died in the Newcastlewest Home after a prolonged stay. She was of a lovely disposition.- nothing she did was too much trouble. I loved my Aunt May!
Montiford 14-8-1846 was the youngest son of John Doupe and Margaret Mick Doupe. He emigrated to the United States of America and died in Cherokee County, Iowa, on 19-10-1932. He married Mary Bowen 17-5-1881 daughter of Adam Bowen and his wife Elizabeth of Rathkeale. (another record says his wife was Catherine Ann Reilly of Courtmatrix born 15-1-1858 died 15-12-1932) The Church Record says he was “servant at the Bank” in Rathkeale. They emigrated to Wisconsin in 1887 and after two years moved to Cherokee. farming. and lived there for the rest of their lives. They celebrated their golden wedding in 1931. Mary was born in Rathkeale 16-1-1859 and died 15-2-1932. Griefstricken, eight months later Montiford went to join her, buried Oak Hill Cemetery. They had 13 children. Their children:


EMMA; born Ireland 8-10-1885 (or 3 as per Obit) married James H. Ware 15-3-1905. 3 children Lois, Ruby and John. She died 3rd July 1980 in Cherokee. (Obit)


ROBERT A. born Ireland 13-2-1887, died 28-2-1961. He was six months old when his parents emigrated. He did not marry. And was a World War I Veteran. Farmer. Burial in Oak Hill Cemetery.


KATHERINE MARIE born Albany, Wisconsin 12-11-1890 (a newspaper obit says 1883 and another says 1890) married Forrest Ware 14-11-1911 (her obit says 15-3-1905) She died 12-1-1940 in Afton Township, - buried Afton Cemetery. She had four children – Ruth; (Swanson) Roberta (Kintigh); Jean Elaine; Marjorie Elizabeth.

MARGARETTA A; born Iowa 17-8-1892 in Cherokee – married Leland Loucks. and died 17-5-1966 in Cherokee. She had 3 children (obit says 2 daughters & 2 sons, and that she died 18-7-1966))

Evelyn Marjorie 30-7-1912 (died 25-5-1989 married Clifton Anderson 29-8-1957 in Cherokee – no children.
Robert 3-3-1915 died 6-1-1982 in Cherokee. He married Leona Bauer 12-9-1940 who had 2 sons – they were not adopted but took the name of Loucks.

Joseph Leroy 30-1-1917 died 3-1-1986 in Quimby, Iowa. moving to Cherokee. He married Evelyn Pauline Jewell 31-12-1940 in Fort Lodge, Iowa. 6 children: He was a veteran of World War 2 and practiced Veterinary Medicine from 1945-1958 in Manning Iowa and was Mayor from 1955 -1958.

Joseph Leroy Junior 21-1-1944 (md. Claudia Sophia Andrews 6-8-1965 in Grace Methodist Church, Genesco, Ill)
Sherry Kay 22-7-1947 (md. Freddie Francis Birmont 13-4-1968 In Davenport Iowa)
John Alan 3-1-1949 (md. Margaret Ann Cain 23-10-1971 in Grace Methodist Church, Genesco)
Richard Dolph 21-4-1950 (md. Marsha Kay Krohe, Northbrook, Ill)
Debra Ann 29-4-1954 (md. Stephen Carl Wyffels 2-3-1974 First Presbyterian Church, Genesco)

Mary Louella born Cherokee 24-1-1919. She married four times:


2nd John Robert Anderson 5-12-1947 – 3 children – Lorie Anderson
Leland Guy Anderson 5-3-1949; John Robert Anderson Junior 6-6-1955.

3rd Lloyd Scheetz

4th Harvey Scholl 18-6-1987

OTIS LEROY 1894 died 1928 result of a shooting accident while out hunting. On the Whitney farm with his father Montiford and 2 brothers and his young son. Obit says “breech slipped and hammer hit on running board of the car.” He was hurried to hospital but being fatally wounded he died shortly afterwards.

Son McNaughton Dean Doupe born 1920 died 1939

LETHA M; born 16-1-1896 died 21-ll-1965 in Cherokee. married farmer Bert Warren Everett 22-2-1922 – died 4th July 1960. 2 daughters Mildred (Winston) and Mary Lou. (Daryl) He was a Veteran of World War I.
SAMUEL W; born Iowa 16-11-1897 died October 1974, married Helen Smith 10-10-1969 and had stepson Jim Smith. He had lived on a farm.

ARTHUR born 1899 died 19-6-1959-(heart) married Marvel – 2 sons Lee and Glen (Lee is an Engineer)

RUBY M; 24-5-1901 in Cherokee. She died 27-1-1990. Married John O. Beck – 4-3-1935: (he died 17-7-1980) 2 sons and a daughter, Jim; John; and Darlene Beck. Lived Hartley on farm from 1948.

MONTIFORD J; born 22-9-1903 died 1987, married Mary Beck sister of John who was married to Ruby  He farmed all his life..

All the above information is the research of Debra Wyffels a grand-daughter of Joseph Leroy Doupe, with additions by Alberta Callender. who has photographs of Montiford taken with his nephew, Adam Graves Micks when the latter first arrived in the U.S. There are also photographs of Montiford and Mary; and Mary’s Grave. and a photograph of Montiford in front of a large house which may have been his or may have been his place of work when he first emigrated. which Janet Sterrett supplied, together with various newspaper . items. (Janet’s mother and Peter Micks wife were Parkinson sisters and contact was apparently kept with their cousins, Monti’s children – particularly Ruby Beck.who was also known to Patti (Micks) Miller , daughter of Adam Micks. Montiford Doupe was Uncle of Peter and Adam and their mother’s brother.

IT IS HOPED THAT THIS FAMILY TREE WILL BE OF ASSISTANCE AND INTEREST TO THE DESCENDANTS OF THE MICKS/DOUPE FAMILIES AND IF USED IN ANY FORM DUE CREDIT MUST BE PRINTED AS THE RESEARCH OF ALBERTA CALLENDER, INCLUDING ANY PHOTOGRAPHS THE ORIGINALS OF WHICH ARE IN HER POSSESSION. TOGETHER WITH THE MARRIAGE APPLICATIONS, WILLS, DEEDS AND OTHER FAMILY PAPERS AFOREMENTIONED. .

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