Strattens' Guide to Dublin Cork and South of Ireland

We trust we prove ourselves fair, accurate and cheerful companions and – may the reader's shadow never grow less! (*Preface*)

Strattens' Dublin Cork and South of Ireland – A Literary, Commercial and Social Review – Past and Present – with a Description of Leading Mercantile Houses and Commercial Enterprises¹ was published by Stratten and Stratten, 107 New Bond Street, London in 1892. As the historic, literary and social aspects are better covered elsewhere this article will focus on the merchant community as a primary source.

The criteria for inclusion in the guide was based on subscriptions; the more the subscription the longer the entry; the minimum entry was one-quarter of a page. It may be that the hotels included were where the compiler(s) stayed; trading a write-up for accommodation.

The entries were based on interviews with the proprietors or, for larger businesses, the managing director. The puff pieces are 100% laudatory and hardly objective but do contain sufficient factual data, abstracted below, to give an insight into Ireland's commercial and manufacturing environment c. 1890, in the transition from horse to mechanised transport, the introduction of electricity for power and communication technology. There is a handy index (not included) by country in the last section of the guide.

In some cases there is genuine pride in their history. There are useful snippets of historical, biographical and commercial data with client references. The longer pieces have good descriptions of the lay out and stock of retail outlets; for factories, a wealth of engineering, technical information (particularly of brewers and distillers) and inventions; and, for importers and exporters, information on trade links within the UK, British Empire and worldwide.

The guide shows the level of integration within the world economy that never fully recovered from independence, the following world recession and Anglo-Irish trade war of the 1930s. Well represented were the breweries, distilleries, food exporters, primarily butter, bacon and secondary products but also carriage-builders, clothing manufacturers, gun makers and smaller niche concerns with a world-wide reputation. The Irish ports of Dublin, Cork with Queenstown, Limerick, Drogheda, Dundalk, Wexford and Waterford all had thriving trade.

Overall the guide appears to have been aimed at the well-off culturally inclined mercantile elite by combining tourist and commercial information. The Grand Tour covers the tourist route to Killarney, either via Macroom and Gougane Barra or by Bantry, passing through Glengarriff and Kenmare, with photos.

The publishers probably hoped that the combination of subscriptions and sales would make it profitable. They published a similar guide for Glasgow in 1891. If they thought they could adequately cover the island in two books (Leinster and Munster & Connaught and Ulster) there were hopelessly uninformed; it is a pity, however, there wasn't a companion guide to cover the northern provinces.

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¹ It can be downloaded from

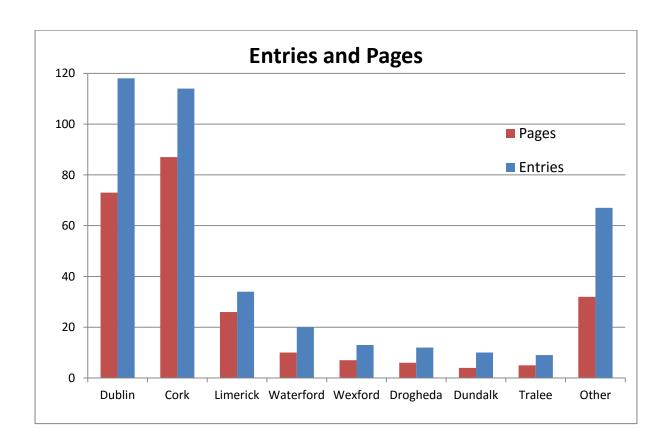
Also useful, as a source for the island's formal and commercial landscape, are the collection of drawings and photographs of interiors, exteriors and products. Note that the List of Illustrations does not include those of businesses; these are included in the synopses below.

The order of inclusion of places could reflect the route(s) taken by the compiler(s) but businesses appears to be random (longer entries are generally first) and is followed below. After Dublin, there is Kingstown (now Dun Laoghaire), Monkstown & Blackrock, Bray, Tullamore, Newbridge, Mullingar, Drogheda (introduction), Dundalk (introduction), Cork (introduction), Blarney, Queenstown (now Cobh), Midleton, Mallow, Fermoy, Killarney, Tralee, Bandon, Bantry, Waterford (introduction), Dungarvan, Cappoquin, Clonmel, Kilkenny, Limerick (introduction), Wexford (introduction), New Ross, and Enniscorthy.

Spellings of names and places are as in the book; no attempt has been made to check their accuracy or make corrections.

While in no way could this selection be representative of the economic landscape in Ireland, it does throw light on the successful businesses that were willing to spend on advertising. The following charts are guides and only represent the advertisers.

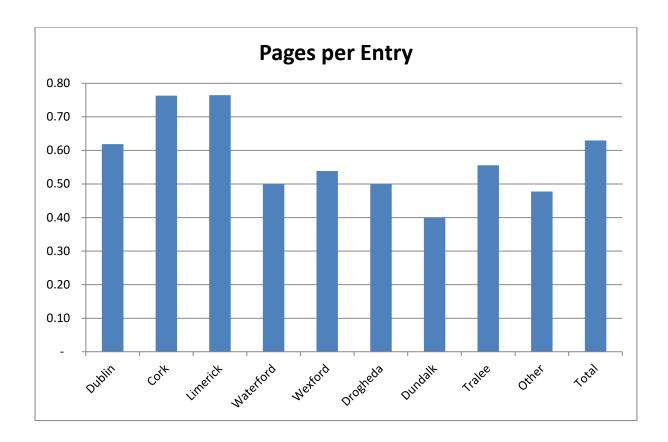
The first shows the number of entries and pages by the main seven locations with nine or more entries; others are between one and seven.



While Dublin has most entries, Cork is a close second which indicates their perception of the city's economic importance vis-a-vis the capital. There is no obvious rivalry except within the

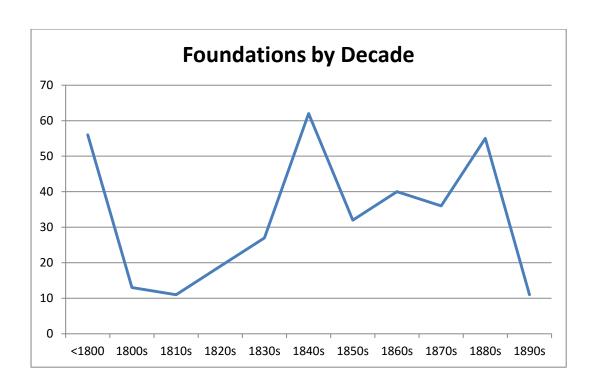
distilling industry; the international belief that Irish whisky only came from Dublin was a major bugbear.

The next chart illustrates the average subscription size. Cork and Limerick top the averages with three-quarters of a page per entry, compared with Dublin at 0.6 and the others at c. 0.5 each, except Dundalk at 0.4.



Foundation dates of the businesses show continuity either through family inheritance – three to four generations is not uncommon – or by sale to new proprietors. About 15% of businesses were founded before 1800; the record being held by Wood and Sons, hatters of Cork, which dates back to c. 1692 and was still held by the family.

The dates given in the entries are either the specific date or a vaguer 'founded X years ago', particularly 50 years ago; it is thus possible that the 1840s is over represented.



The Commercial Section Dublin

Arthur Guinness, Son & Co Ltd, St. James' Gate Brewery

Founded in 1759; the current proprietor was Sir Edward Cecil Guinness. There is a history and detailed description of the plant. The export trade began in 1863; it was incorporated in 1886. The stud farm had 150 horses. Illustrations & photo

Edward & John Burke, Ltd, Wholesale Export Bottlers, Dublin, Liverpool, New York, Melbourne, Sydney

Founded in 1848 by Edward F. Burke; he was joined several years later by his brother, John, both deceased. Edward looked after Dublin, John New York, and J. G. Nutting, one of the original partners, Liverpool. They had 200 agents worldwide. One block of warehouses was situated on Bachelor's Walk; there is an extensive description of the building, which included an office for Inland Revenue, and its operations. Board of Directors were John Burke, Chairman, Sir Henry Cochrane, DL JP, Henry Guinness JP, Andrew Jameson, George Mc D Dickson, John G Nutting; Frederick G Nutting and Edmond A Trouton were MDs of Dublin, Liverpool and New York. Illustrations

Anchor Brewery, Usher Street

Founded in the early 18^{th} century; its first known owners were Messrs Kavanagh and Brett by 1782 who transferred the business to John D Byrne, 'a practical brewer and thorough man of business'. He retired in 1818 and sold it to John D'Arcy for £35,000; he died in 1865 and was succeeded by his son Mathew Peter D'Arcy (Deputy Lieutenant & Magistrate for Dublin

& Wexford; he was an ex-MP of the latter) and has been succeeded by William M and James F D'Arcy. Illustration

Samuel Boyd, Retail Chemist, Wholesale Druggist, Oil and Colour Merchant, Methylated Spirits, Manufacturer and Importer of Petroleum Oil, 46 Mary Street

Founded in 1805 by Mr. Glenton; he was succeeded in 1820 by John Aylward, by Mr Allan in 1832, and Samuel Boyd in 1847. There were stores in Chapel Lane, Mayor Street)North Wall) and Granby Lane. He was the first importer of petroleum direct from America and now imports several cargoes a year

Clery & Co., Warehousemen and General Drapers, Lower Sackville Street

Founded in 1853 by Messrs MacSweeney and Delaney, it was sold to the 'current proprietors' in 1884. Illustration

Alfred Manning, Magasin de Nouveautés, 102-103 Grafton Street

Founded by Alfred Manning (Alderman & JP) in the early 1830s and succeeded by his eldest son, also Alfred. Recently patronised by the visiting Queen of Romania

McIntyre & Gilbert, Decorators, 27 Bachelor's Walk

Founded in 1880; sole proprietor is John McIntyre

Edmundson's Furnishing and Engineering Co Ltd, 33-36 Capel Street

Founded in 1830 by Joshua Edmundson and opened London office in 1866. After he died in 1848 a fire destroyed their gas fitting and brass foundry plant in Stafford Street, which was later rebuilt. Worldwide customers with specialities in lighthouse gas apparatus, sanitary appliances, and plumbers, whitesmiths and blacksmith 'arts'. It quotes an article on John R Wigham JP MRIA, brother-in-law and successor to Joshua, who was an innovator in the developing gas production, public infrastructure and lighthouse design.

W Mahalm & Co., Tea, Wine, Whiskey and Foreign Spirit Merchants, 62 Thomas Street

Founded c. 1860

John Rigby & Co., Gun Makers by Appointment to HRH, Prince of Wales, Gun, Pistol, and Rifle Manufacturer, Inventors and Patentees, 24 Suffolk Street

Founded in 1735 by John Rigby; their London office opened in 1866. Their London factory manufacturers mostly barrels and actions due to the English Proof Act, with other units in Birmingham, Wolverhampton and Liege

Lambert, Brien & Co., Lamp Merchants, Lamp Oil Importers and Refiners and Wax Chandlers, 64 Grafton Street

Founded in the 1790s by John Lambert a member of the old Dublin Corporation and succeeded by his son James, Lord Mayor in 1859; it was incorporated by his nephew J W Brien JP. Illustration

Brown, Thomas & Co., Linen Drapers, Silk Mercers, Costume and Mantle Makers, Milliners, Lacemen, Hosiers, Glovers and General Outfitters, Grafton and Duke Street

Founded c 1840, it supported Irish industry of Irish linen, poplins and laces and Balbriggan hosiery and supplied Parisian fashion houses as well as the colonies. Illustration

M Glover's Photographic Galleries, 'Continental Studios', 124 Stephen's Green

Founded c. 1880, A photographic innovator, he explored 'the possibilities of art portraiture' and was assisted by two of his daughters

St Stephen's Park (First Class) Temperance Hotel, 102-103 St. Stephen's Green

Founded 1880 by T W Russell MP, temperance advocate; the house was previously owned by Sir Henry Barron, Waterford MP of old Irish Parliament

O'Reilly, Dunne & Co, The Royal Poplin Manufactory, 30 College Green

Founded c. 1790; the manufacture is carried out by hand with exports to the Empire. The industry was introduced by the Huguenots but fluctuated from the height of 3,000 looms employing 10,000 workers to practically none.

Johnston, Mooney & O'Brien, Ltd., Fancy Bread and Biscuit Bakers to his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, Balls Bridge Bakery, 7-8 Leinster Street & Concliffe² Flour Mills, Jones' Road

The Balls Bridge bakery was founded by Mr Johnston in 1846 and rebuilt in 1886. The Leinster St premises were founded 'many years ago' by Mr O'Brien and run by his son. The flour mills were bought by Mr Mooney in 1883; he remodelled the mills replacing stone grinders with rollers. The partnership was formed in 1889 with Gerald Mooney as MD

P Shaw, Military and Merchant Tailor, 13 Dawson Street

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² A probable typo for Clonliffe

West & Son, Diamond Merchants, Goldsmiths, Jewellers, Silversmiths, Electroplaters, Watchmakers, 18-19 College Green

Founded in the early 18th century by Mathew West, Skinner's Row and moved to purpose built premises in 1845. It stocked Celtic jewellery some of which used Wicklow gold and Irish pearls. The proprietor is L A West, Master of the Goldsmiths' Hall. Illustration

The Artesian Mineral Water Co, Ltd, Rutland Square

Founded c. 1885 by Henry Holohan TC, deceased; recently incorporated with Timothy Harrington DL MP, Alderman Burke, Gerald Mooney, Thomas Davy and J F Dickson (MD) as directors

J Heeney, Jeweller Case Manufacturer, 6-7 William Street

Founded in 1862 by Messrs Kirkpatrick & Co, Glasgow and acquired by Heeney in 1883

The Dublin Laundry Co Ltd, Milltown

Founded 1888; the building had previously been a flour mill. The MD is Thomas Edmondson, Milltown

F & M English, Fruit Merchants and Florists, 3 Lower Baggot St

Founded in 1887

James Hill, Manufacturing Cabinet Maker, House Furnisher, Upholsterer, Bedding Manufacturer, Auctioneer and Valuer, 11-12, Bachelor's Walk

Founded c 1840 by William Young and subsequently acquired by Hill assisted by his sons. Illustration

City of Dublin Steam Packet Co, 15 Eden Quay

Established in 1823 and incorporated ten years later; the directors were Sir E H Hudson-Kinshan Bart, William Watson, Thomas P Cairnes JP, William Robertson, E Watson and Michael Murphy; W and E Watson were MDs, with W R Lee, Secretary. Branches were at 17 Water St, Liverpool, Holyhead (Capt Cay RN agent) 41 Donegal Quay, Belfast, and Limerick (W Sibthorp agent). List of boats

White & Schopperle, Goldsmiths, Watch, Clock and Jewellery Manufacturers, 33 Grafton St

Founded in 1826 by Mr Topham and later known as Topham & White when Alfred White became partner. The new name dates from 1884 when Charles Schopperle became partner

Waller & Co, Stationers, Engravers, Lithographers, Letterpress Printers, Diesinkers and Heraldic Artists, 20 Suffolk Street

Founded c. 1800; the chief managers were Henry Kirkwood, a fourth generation engraver, Charles Sully, printer, and Joseph C Brister, business manager

Wayte Bros, Cycle Engineers and Agents, Lemon St

Founded in 1891 to serve the 'extraordinary development of every branch of cycling'

Kean & Co Dublin Re-Tinning Works, 48 Townsend St

Founded in 1888 by Messrs Kean

Phoenix Park Distillery, Chapelizod

Founded by The Distillers Co Ltd, Edinburgh, in 1878. Illustration

M Rowan & Co, Seed and Manure Merchants, Corn and Malt Factors, 51-52 Capel Street

Founded in 1879 by M Rowan assisted by his brother Peter

T Coghlan, Billiard Table Maker, 41 Harcourt Street

Founded in 1880 in Camden Street and moved to Harcourt Street in 1889. Illustration

John Smyth & Sons, Medieval and Italian Metal Workers in Gold and Silver, Electroplaters, Gilders, 17 Wicklow Street

Founded c. 1840 by John Smyth, deceased, and succeeded by his sons John, Thomas and Francis

Mitchell, Arnott & Co, Room-paper Manufacturers, 18-19 Upper Sackville Street

Branch of a company from Golborne, Lancashire, set up in the early 1870s

Thompson's Steam Power Cutlery Works, 9 Nassau Street

Founded c. 1780 on the site of St Patrick's Well. Henry Thomspon was appointed Cutler to HM the Queen in Ireland. Illustrations

The Irish Feather Company, Feather, Skin and Metal Merchants, 18-20 Tara Street

'Recently established'; the MD is company secretary, J Culhane

Campbell Achnach & Co, Waterproof and India-rubber Manufacturers, 11 Crow Street

Branch of company from Thistle with head office in Glasgow and other branches in London, Montreal, New York and Melbourne

Edmund Sharp, Ecclesiastical and Architectural Sculptor, 180 Great Brunswick Street

Previously Pearce & Sharp until the mid 1880s

John McDonnel & Co Ltd, Swiftbrook Mills, Saggart

Founded in 1795 by John McDonnel and succeeded by his son until his death in 1863. Thereafter it was run by his executor until it was sold in 1880; it was incorporated the following year, the director was John Girdwood Drury, there is a warehouse at 8 Lower Ormond Quay

D Poirotte & Son, Ladies', Gentlemen's and Children's Boot and Shoe Importers, 12 Suffolk Street

Founded c.ly 1840 by D Poirotte, deceased, succeeded by son, recently deceased, and by the latter's widow

T D Lambert, Veterinary Surgeon, Store Street

Founded in 1870 at William Street and transferred to Store Street in 1879. Branch recently opened at South Richmond Street. Residence was Mount Anthony, Rathmines, connected by telephone for emergencies. Illustration

M & C M Fitz-Henry, Ladies' Mercers, 3 Grafton Street

Founded in 1862 at Waterford by Misses M and C M Fitz-Henry; they moved to Dublin 1886

Fitzgerald & Co., Rectifying Distillers, Whiskey and Wine Merchants, 20 Westland Row

Founded in 1868

Farrell & Son, Glasnevin Marble Works, Glasnevin

Founded in 1834 and subsequently acquired by Peter J Hynes

James Flynn & Son, Skin, Wool, and Leather Works, Fellmongers, 49 Watling Street

Founded c. 1840 and run by a grandson of the same name

Boyd & Goodwin, Pharmaceutical Chemists and Druggists, 6 Merrion Row

Founded in 1821; Goodwin died 1881 and company run by Boyd's family

John Hutton & Sons, Coachmakers, Summer Hill & 2 Dawson St

Founded c 1760s and run by Thomas M Hutton (Deputy Lieutenant Co Dublin) and his son Frank M Hutton BA; received the HRH command in 1851. Referenced in the novels of Lady Morgan and Charles Lever. Premises at 2 Dawson Street; employs 60-70

Ganly, Sons & Co, Brokers and Auctioneers, 18-20 Usher's Quay

Founded c. 1840 by James Ganly (aged 90 in 1892); run by Andrew Ganly with his son, James. The building was originally a hotel built by Mr Home and later was home to the White Quakers before it was taken over by Ganly. Branch in Liverpool and cattle auctions there and Manchester

H Conyngham & Co, Pharmaceutical Chemists, 30 Upper Baggot Street

Founded in 1863 at 11 Upper Baggot St by Messrs Hesey & Co and acquired by Henry Conyngham MPS in 1875; he recently moved to number 30

James Weir & Co, Grocers, Wine and Spirit Merchants and Italian Warehousemen, 6-7 Burgh Quay

Founded c. 1840 by James Weir; run by James A Merry, with the firm 40 years. Bonded warehouse were at Corn Exchange vaults and Queen's Stores, North Wall and bottling plants at 14-15 Like St and Poolbeg St

Monsell, Mitchell & Co. Timber, Slate, Stone, Tile, and Cement Merchants, 73 Townsend Street

'Old established standing' with another yard at number 85

Jane McDonagh, Fishmonger, 8 William Street

Founded c. 1830 by Mrs Jane McDonagh and run by members of her family; it was the second oldest business of this type in Dublin. Fishmonger, Ice Merchant, Poultry and Game Dealer to the Lord Lieutenant, the University and Commander of the Forces,

F Croker & Co, Wholesale Trunk, Chest and Box Manufacturers, 8 Mill Street

Founded in 1888 and run by F Croker and W Row

Delany, Merchant Tailor, 34 Dames Street

Founded 'many years ago' by Mr Sykes and acquired by Delaney in 1887; there was a branch at 125 George St, Limerick

Cantrell & Cochrane, Mineral Water Manufacturers, Nassau Place

Founded in Belfast by Dr Cantrell in 1852 and was later joined by Henry Cochrane DL JP who became sole proprietor after the former's retirement and opened the Dublin factory. The water comes from St Patrick's Well; discovered after antiquarian research, the borehole was 95 feet. They had international distribution. Illustration

Messrs Tuck & Co Ltd, Patentees and Manufacturers of India Rubber, Leather and Asbestos Goods, 13 Aston's Quay

English company with factories in London, Liverpool and Cardiff

Thomas Henshaw & Co, Wholesale Ironmongers, Iron and Steel Merchants and Manufacturers, 5-6 & 12 Christ Church Place

Founded by Bryan Murphy in 1794 at the rear at 28 Kennedy's Lane; in 1834 he moved when the business was called Murphy, Son and Butler. Butler, an alderman, became sole proprietor and sold the business to Thomas and Alfred Henshaw in 1856. Premises included stores and warehouses in Kennedy's Lane, warehouse in Middle Abbey St and iron works, spade and shovel factory at Upper and Lower Mills, Clonskeagh

G A McGuinness, Watchmaker, Jeweller and Silversmith, Electroplater and Gilder, 28 High Street

Founded in 1884

C Bull, Manufacturer of Church Ornaments and Furniture, Ecclesiastical Warehouse, 21 Suffolk Street

Founded c. 1865 by Cornelius Bull; he employs 30 in his factory at 47 Clarendon St

Pohlmann & Co, Patent Grand Pianoforte Manufacturers, Music Publishers and Sellers, Musical Instrument Importers, &c, 40 Dawson Street

Branch of a Halifax, Yorkshire, Company; illustration

John Coates, Monumental Works, 26 Great Brunswick Street

Founded in 1862

William Spence, Foundry and Engineering Works, Cork Street

Founded in 1856

James Troy, Hosier, Outfitter, Shirt and Collar Manufacturer, 58 Henry Street

Founded c. 1840; third generation with the same name

A P Sharp, Builder, Architectural and Monumental Sculptor, 17 Great Brunswick Street

Founded in 1870 by Messrs Good and Sharp; later A P Sharp, Henry Emery is MD; with woodworks at no 7, same street

Trulock and Harriss, Gun, Rifle and Revolver Manufacturers, 9 Dawson Street

Founded c. 1790 by W Trulock, deceased c. 1830, and succeeded by his son-in-law Mr Harriss who died in 1876 and was succeeded by his son John. A shooting range was at Lansdowne Road; contractors to the RIC

Thomas Keogh, Fishmonger and Poulterer, 6 Lower Baggot Street

Founded c. 1830, first as a fishmonger

James McKenny, MRCVS, Veterinary Surgeon, 116 Stephen's Green

Founded c. 1840 by Mr Dawson who was succeeded by Mr Barron, then by Mr Paley and then to McKenny in 1882. Included was a Turkish bath for horses

E M Goggin, Bog Oak Ornament Manufacturer and Jeweller, 202 Nassau Street

Founded c. 1840, also stonework, serviced the tourist trade

Jessop Browne's Wheel and Wagon Works, 104-105 Great Brunswick Street

Founded c. 1830 by William Browne and succeeded by Jessop in 1859. Invented and manufactured a telescopic fire escape. 80-100 employees

J T Dallas, Merchant Tailor, 4 Henry Street

Founded in 1874 by Messrs Gamble and Collier and transferred in 1879

Thomas Roe, Leather Merchant and Factor, 23-24 High Street

Founded c. 1820 by Thomas Moore at 161 James Street; he was succeeded by his widow until 1852 when P & T Moore moved to High St. When Alderman Moore, the last survivor, died his widow Anna Moore continued until 1890 when she sold it to Roe, her manager for many years. Tanning and currying since discontinued.

The Pneumatic Tyre and Booth's Cycle Agency Ltd, Oriel House, Westland Row

Founded in 1877 and incorporated in 1889 with Harvey Ducross as MD. The principal factory is in Coventry and branches in London and Belfast.

The Irish Glass Bottle Co, Charlotte Quay

Founded in 1870 by James A and R King; 300 employed. Illustration

J McCormick & Co, Coal Merchants and Steamship Owners, 7 D'Olier Street

Founded in 1805 by Mr Peile and was acquired by McCormick in 1848. Several years later he bought a business from Mr Carpenter (grandfather of the Bishop of Ripon) at D'Olier St and moved there. They have wharves and stores at 38 and 49 City Quay and an office in Liverpool. Also proprietors of the Dublin and Mersey Steam Shipping Co

P Daniel & Sons, Ironmongers, Tin-Plate Workers and Hardware Dealers, 44 Grafton St

Founded in 1823 by P Daniel and succeeded by George and Arthur Daniel in 1867. Supplied the Lighthouse Commissioners with tin articles from the early 1850s

John Halligan, City of Dublin Flour Mills, Usher's Island

Founded c. 1790 by Richard O'Callaghan and acquired by Halligan c. 1860

Lundy, Foot & Co, Tobacco and Snuff Manufacturers, 26 Parliament Street

Founded in 1780; manufacturers of Lundy Foot's Snuff and Irish Blackguard.

George Norton, Wholesale Glass, China and Earthenware Merchant, Henry Street

Founded in 1884

Brooks & Co, 136 Lower Baggot Street

Founded c.1840 by Messrs Brooks and Co and since acquired by R J Downes LPSI, testimonials

W V Coleman, Stationer, Printer, Engraver and Importer of Fancy Goods, 9 Henry Street

Founded 1891

Henry Reddick, China, Glass, Delph, Ironmongery, Chandlery and Oil Warehouse, 2 Duggan Place, Rathmines

Founded 1885

John Kehoe, Caninet Maker, Upholsterer, Furniture Remover, Bedding Manufacturer and Valuator, 40-42 South Richmond Street

Founded in 1882; Kehoe previously worked for Messrs Arnott & Co where he invented the reversible spring mattress, and set up in business independently, after working in three other companies, in 1881. Other premises were in Richmond Place and Row. Testimonials

The North Star Hotel, 26-30 Amiens Street

Recently acquired by J C Malone

Harrison & Co, Restaurateurs, Cooks and Catering Confectioners, 17 Henry Street

Founded 1876 by J W Harrison

Halliday Brothers, Family Grocers and Italian Warehousemen, 11 Lower Baggot Street

Founded c 1860

J B Sedwick, Artist, Scenic Painter, Decorator, The Golden Palette, 72 Aungier Street

Founded 1889, with a studio in Ranelagh

Kinahan & Co Ltd, Carlisle Building, D'Olier Street

Founded in 1779 but recently incorporated with Wine Vaults, Denzille Street, and Rectifying Distillery, Boyne Street, with branches in London and international trade. Chairman is George Kinahan JP, Roebuck Park, other directors are Sir E H Hudson Kinahan, Wyckham, Dundrum, and Edward R Read, managing directors are Thomas W (Dublin) and George Percy (London) Kinahan. Illustration

James F Massey, Bassinette and Fancy Toy Maker, 64 Lower Camden Street

Founded c. 1870 by Mr Armstrong and acquired by Massey in 1890. Illustration

Robert Farquharson, Building Contractor, Jones' Road

Founded c. 1865, list of churches

Walpole Brothers, Irish Table Damask and Linen Manufacturers, 16 Bedford Street

Founded 1766 and run by Edward and George Walpole. Shops also in 8-9 Suffolk Street and London

E & C Figgis, Wholesale Tea Merchants, 10 Fownes Street

Founded c. 1840 by E J Figgis and succeeded by his sons, branch in London

J Hopper, Vice Regal and Ladies' Tailor and Habit Maker, 14 Dawson Street

Founded 'a great many years ago' by Thomas Hopper, proprietor

Samuel Worthington, Contractor, Timber, Slate and Cement Merchant, Portobello Saw Mills, 50-51 Richmond Street South

Founded 'some years back' by Sir George Mayers and acquired by Worthington late 1880s

John Carpenter, Carriage and Car Builder, 8 Lower Camden Street

Founded in c. 1860 at Great Brunswick St. Illustration

Thompson Brothers, Brick and Tile Manufacturers, 186 Great Brunswick Street

Factory was founded in 1880 at Kingscourt, Co Cavan with shop and yards (Spencer Dock) in Dublin

Peter Hanlon, Family Grocer, Team Wine and Spirit Merchant, Purveyor, Italian Warehousemen, &c 14-15 Lower Camden Street

No dates, but recent, as Hanlon is a 'young man', employs twelve staff and three horses

R Forbes, Photographic Artist, 54 Grafton Street

Founded in 1886, he previously worked for an adjoining studio

The Dublin Hosiery Manufacturing Co, Hosiery Manufacturers and Finishers, St Stephen's Green

Recently established, S McCormack is MD; another premises was in York St

F Sanderson & Sons, Coach and Carriage Builders, 34 Lower Dominick Street

Founded by F Sanderson in 1859; his sons joined in partnership but solely owned by W T Sanderson; one car went to HIH the Thapore Sahib of Limbde.

Power Brothers, Tobacconists and Cigar Merchants

Founded by the father c. 1860 and now run by two sons with shops in 36 & 21 Parliament St, and 31 Lincoln Place

The Globe Parcel Express, 8 Eden Quay

Founded c. 1840 and managed by William A McCleane with offices at 2 Church Lane, 106 Upper Leeson St, 107 Thomas Street, 35 Grafton St, 22 Nassau St, 7 Ellis Quay, 1 Charlemount St, Kingstown, Blackrock, Merrion, Booterstown, Sandymount and Rathmines

Robert Morrison, Military Boot Maker, 19 Duke Street

Founded by M Chauteperdrix c. 1870 and recently acquired by Morrison, his previous manager.

F Bermingham, Tea and Wine Merchant, Italian Warehouseman, Victualler and Contractor, 63-64 Phibsborough Road

Founded by Felix Bermingham c. 1855; in 1876 it was extended. His son, Francis, bought out his father in 1882 and brought in his son John.

Thomas McKenzie & Sons Ltd, Great Brunswick Street

Founded c. 1860 in Dublin as a branch of a Cork business; warehouses in Kingsbridge were sold to Guinness. The directors were Edward Blackburne QC, George Delany, Captain L Riall DL, William McKenzie (managing director) and John Robinson; the secretary was Charles Campbell. Illustration

A G Waller, Funeral Undertaker, Carriage and Furniture Van Proprietor, 48-50 Denzille Street

Founded 'many years ago' by the proprietor; also a premises at 42-43 Sandwith St

Wilson Brothers, Tea and Wine Merchants, Family Grocers and Italian Warehousemen, 88 Rathmines Road

Established a 'considerable time'

Daniel Miller & Co, Coppersmiths and Brass Founders, Dublin Copper and Brass Works, 29 Church Street

Founded in 1809 by Daniel Miller and James Leishman and continued by both families; the current proprietor being John Miller

Joseph Cronan, Military Boot Maker, 1 Upper Merrion Place

Founded in 1830 by John Cronan and succeeded by his son, Joseph. Sole bootmakers to the Ward Union Hunt

John Freeman Junior, FRCVS, Veterinary Surgeon, Harry Street

Established c. 1840 by Professor Ferguson, with whom Freeman served his apprenticeship, at Dawson St. Branches in Ballsbridge, Kingstown and Dalkey

Baker, Wardell & Co, Wholesale Tea and Sugar Merchants, 76 Thomas Street

Founded c. 1840 by Messrs Baker and Wardell; the proprietors are J D Wardell and W Jeffares

Simpson & Co, Military and Merchant Tailors; Clerical, Naval and Livery Outfitters, 48 Grafton Street

Founded c. 1865 by Messrs Simpson and Thompson; the latter withdrew in 1879 and James Simpson is proprietor.

J V Sheridan & Co. Carpet, Bedstead and Furniture Warehousemen, 33-34 Parliament Street

Founded before 1840 by father of the proprietor with another premises at Upper Exchange St

Edmond Johnson, Manufacturing Jeweller, 94-95 Grafton Street

Founded in 1760 (oldest established jeweller's business in Ireland) by James Johnson and was succeeded by his son Joseph in 1791, then by his son Edmond in 1832 on the death of his father. He was succeeded by his son, also Edmond, in 1863. Branch at 46 Wicklow St

McDonald Brothers, Wine and Tea Merchants and Italian Warehousemen, 66-67 Upper Dorset Street

Founded in 1862; the chief partner is James McDonald, assisted by three brothers

Martin and Mumford, Ladies' Tailors and Habit Makers, 18-19 Suffolk Street

'Carried on for several years' at Grafton St under Richard Martin, and moved to Suffolk St in 1889 when he was joined by George Mumford

John Harrington and Sons Ltd, King's Inns Street Soap Works

Founded in 1775 and incorporated in 1890

The Dublin Distillery Co, Ltd

Made up of the next three firms that amalgamated in 1889

George Roe & Co. Ltd, Thomas Street Distillery

Peter Roe acquired the distillery in 1757; it was incorporated in 1885 by Henry Roe (restorer of Christ Church Cathedral). In the grounds was an old windmill, 70' in diameter and 150' high, with a cupola top. Illustrations

W Jameson Distillery, Marrowbone Lane

Founded in 1752 by William Jameson, it had 200 employees. Other premises were in Liverpool Yard, North Wall. Illustration

The Dublin Whisky Distillery, Jones' Road

Founded in 1872. Illustrations

John McGloughlin & Son, Manufacturers of Ornamental Iron and Brass Work, 48 Great Brunswick Street

Founded in 1875 by the proprietor and assisted by Charles; it employed 30 staff

Kingstown

Thomas W Little, Plumber, Engineer and Contactor, 28 Upper George's Street, Kingstown,

Founded by the proprietor in 1885 and recently opened in 12 Harcourt St; list of clients

Royal Victoria Baths

Founded c. 1870; J Chambley is proprietor

Royal Marine Hotel

Manager was J H Schmidt

E & F Browett, Ironmongers, Contactors, Seedsmen, &c, 19 Upper Georges Street

Founded 1888

Kavanagh & Sons, The Medical Hall, 107 Upper Georges Street

Founded in 1825 by Dr G Kavanagh LRCSI and recently acquired by Dr Corbet

Thomas Brown, Importer of Cigars, Tobacco, &c, 86 Lower Georges Street

Founded c. 1865

John Ring and Sons, Plumbers and Contractors, 48 Lower Georges Street

Founded c. 1870 at York Road but soon moved

Monkstown and Blackrock

John Field, Victualler and Poulterer

Founded c. 1840, by John Field and succeeded by his son William, President of the Irish Cattle Traders' and Stock-Owners' Association and Vice President for Ireland of the National Federation of Meat Traders of the United Kingdom

Bray

William Byrne, Victualler, 2 Quinsboro Road

Founded c. 1870

E Beggs, General House Furnishing and Builders' Ironmonger and Seed Merchant, 108 Main Street

Established by Edward Beggs in 1882

R B Andrews, Clothier, Outfitter, Boot and Shoe Warehouse, 107 Main Street

Founded c. 1864 by Mr Andrews and succeeded by his son, R B, in 1873

Tullamore

Patrick & Henry Egan, General Merchants, Brewers, Wine and Spirit Dealers, Bridge House

Founded c. 1790 by Mr Deverell and acquired by the Egans in 1852; the brewery was added in 1866. It employs 100; a mineral water plant was recently added. Illustration

Newbridge

John Quinn, Baker and Family Grocer, Main Street

Founded in 1839 by John Tracey, deceased, and acquired by Quinn in 1886

Conlan Brothers, Grocers, Wine and Spirit Merchants, Purveyors and Victuallers, Main Street

Found in the 1790s by Mr Johnston and succeeded by Mr Goff, then by Robert J Hawkins who died 1885 and acquired by Denis and Andrew Conlan

Mullingar

Tuite's Watch, Clock, Jewellery and Fancy Goods Warehouse

Founded in 1823 by John Tuite, deceased, and succeeded by his son

Shiel's Tobacco Warehouse and Corn Stores, Dominick Street

Founded c. 1840 by John Shiel, deceased and succeeded by his son L J Shiel

William Gordon, Ladies' and Gentlemen's Outfitter, Carpet and Furnishing Warehousemen, Commercial House

Founded c 1840 by William Gordon, deceased, and succeeded by his son John Wallace Gordon who invented the 'Irish frieze greatcoat'.

B J Purcell, Family Grocer, Wine Importer and Italian Warehouseman

Founded c. 1850 by T P Byrne, deceased, and acquired by his nephew B J Purcell in 1876; popular among fishermen 'to the celebrated Westmeath Trout lakes'.

Nooney & Sons, House Furnishers, Ironmongers, Timber, Coal, and General Merchants, Undertakers, &c

Founded c. 1740 by an ancestor of T F Nooney, the fifth generation of direct succession; situated at the junction of Earl St and Church Ave.

Drogheda

The Drogheda Chemical Manure Co

Founded c. 1865 by F St George Smith; Charles McKenny is manager. Illustration

Casey & Co, Brewers, Wholesale Tea, Wine and Whisky Merchants, Stout and Porter Brewers

Founded in 1840 by Patrick Casey and succeeded by his nephew P Casey Connelly JP and exmayor of Drogheda. Incorporated in 1889 when the Mall brewery was added. Bonded warehouse at Fair St with branches and stores in Dublin, Belfast, Limerick, Newry, Lurgan, Cavan, Dundalk, Kells, Oldcastle, Navan, Mullagh, Ardee, Naas etc; 200 employees. Also owns the White Horse Hotel

James Dennis & Co, Wholesale Grocers and Wine Merchants, West Street

Founded c. 1840

Hugh Galbraith, Baker, 34 Shop Street

Founded c. 1840 by Hugh Galbraith, deceased, and succeeded by his son, George.

Joseph Dean, Wholesale and Family Grocer, Wine, Spirit and Seed Merchant, 107-108 West Street

Founded c. 1850 by Messrs Daly and Dean; the surviving partner is Joseph Dean since 1887

Simon Jordan, Egg, Poultry and Provision Merchant, Westgate

Founded c. 1870 and Mayor of Drogheda for third year in succession

A Davis, Dress and Mantle Makers, Milliners, Merchant Tailors, Outfitters, Hatters and Ready-made Clothiers, House Furnishers, 6-7 West Street

Involved in the trade from the late 18th century the firm was founded c. 1820 by Mrs Davis, the present proprietor is Richard Burleigh Davis; employs 150

Bernard Daly & Son, Carriage Builders, 41 West Street

Founded c. 1850 by Bernard Daly and succeeded by his son, Gerald; the factory situated in Linenhall St

H Harbinson, Furnishing Ironmonger, 33-34 West Street

Founded c. 1850

Keelan Brothers, Silk Mercers and Costumiers, 4-5 West Street

Founded by Robert Daly and Son and acquired by the Keelans in 1891, they previously were elsewhere on the street. Managed by Michael Keelan with 150-200 employees

Albert & Co, Watchmakers and Jewellers, Stationers and Booksellers, Tobacconists, 106 & 116 West Street

Founded c. 1840 by Thomas North, followed by Messrs Hamilton & Co and acquired by R Albert, Paul and Joseph Rombach in 1875

Luke J Healy, Chemist, Druggist and Mineral Water Manufacturer, 82 West Street

Founded c.1870; the mineral water plant added in 1872. Exports to 'large sheep farmers in Scotland'

Dundalk

Michael Walsh, Wholesale Wine and Spirit Merchant, Grocer and Mineral Water Manufacturer, 25 Church Street

Founded in 1877

Malcolm Brown & Co, Patent and Old Still Distillers, Dundalk Distillery

Founded in the 18th century by Mr Gilligan; the site was previously a tan yard and bleach ground. Acquired in 1800 and currently run by Malcolm Brown Murray and Henry Balfour Murray. Water comes from the Cortial springs, five miles away. Output is 80,000-110,000 barrels with 800,000-1m gallons of spirits. They have also organised a fire-brigade with 26 firemen. Illustration

Nicholas Carolan & Co, Wine and Spirit Merchants, Mineral Water Manufacturers, Wholesale and Family Grocers, 13-14 Earl Street

Acquired, in 1853, by Nicholas Carolan, deceased, and succeeded by his son Paul Vincent Carolan. Bonded warehouse in Exchange Buildings

W M Patteson & Co, Manufacturers of Irish Linen Aprons, Pinafores, Blouses, 33 Clanbrassil St, rear

Founded in 1885 to provide employment for young girls and employs 120 females and 70 males $\frac{1}{2}$

H Backhouse & Co, General Grocers, Wine Merchants, Chemists & Druggists, 24-25 Clanbrassil Street

Founded in 1845 by Henry Backhouse, deceased, and succeeded by his son Henry C; bonded stores in Market St

E Manisty, Engineer, Iron, Steel and Brass Founder, Dundalk Iron Works, Market Square

Acquired in 1878 by Edward Manisty CE, he had been involved in the construction of the Dundalk to Greenore line, from Mr Pemberton; employs 100 men. He was co-builder, with J Connick, of the Dundalk Patent Slip and built a brick works on his demesne in 1885

B Patteson & Co, Army and Navy Tailor, Family Dressmakers and Milliners, Drapers, Cabinet Makers, House Furnishers and General Warehousemen, Clanbrassil Street

Founded in 1834 by brothers, Russell and Matthew Patteson, the latter retired and was succeeded by another brother, Benjamin in 1853 – they traded as R & B Patteson. The latter retired in 1864, from when the company traded as B Patteson, who died in 1864 and was succeeded by his eldest son. Illustrations

A O Ferguson, Plumber, Crowe Street

Founded in 1886

R Lawless, Watchmaker and Jeweller, 5 Earl Street

Founded c. 1850 by R Lawless and succeeded by his nephew John Lawless

Henry O'Connell, Wine Merchant, 70 Clanbrassil Street

Founded in 1850 by Nicholas Martin & Co and acquired c. 1887; also proprietor of a wholesale grocery at Earl St

Cork

Lady's Well Brewery, Leitrim Street

No dates; fifty years ago it was active but then declined until revived in 1854 by James J Murphy & Co (he rescued the Munster Bank) who acquired the premises from the Government. Incorporated in 1884. Mr Roche is an engineer. Photos.

T W Magahy, Organ Builder, 23 Lower Georges Street (Warren Place)

Founded 1875 and supplied many Cork churches

C & J O'Sullivan, Dairy Produce Merchants, Blarney Lane

Established c. 1840

Woodford & Bourne Co, Family Grocers, Wine and Spirit Merchants, Patrick Street

Founded in 1750, with its origins in Falconer's Lane and Nelson Place, in the early 1800s its proprietors were Maziere (died 1824) and Sainthill. On the Parade was another family grocer, Messrs Woodford & Co, who succeeded Messrs T Morley & Co. John Woodword, a philanthropist involved during the 1846-7 Famine, who died of fever at this time; his widow continued until she married her manager, Mr Bourne when the company assumed its name. Sainthill died in 1869 and transferred his business to Woodford & Bourne, as close friends. New stores were opened in Nile St in the 1870s. Managers were James A and James W Nicholson. Illustration

Purcell & Co. Printers & Stationers &c, 124 Patrick Street

Founded in 1797

Eugene Daly, Stained Glass Artist and Ecclesiastical Decorator, Lavitt's Quay

Founded in 1886 (previously with Mayer & Co, London) list of Cork churches

The Cork Distilleries, Morrison's Island

Erected in 1779 by the father and uncle of last proprietor, Francis Wise, deceased, management of the North Wall Distillery under Maurice Murray and his son Daly. The Watercourse distillery converted to malting and stores; also proprietors of Green and John St Distilleries; as well as Midleton Distillery, founded late 18th century (previously a woollen mill), which was sold by Lord Midleton to Messrs Murphy & Co in 1825

H Hayes, The Munster Provision Warehouse, 30 Prince's Street

Founded in 1881 with a bacon curing plant in Warren Place

T Lyons & Co, Warehouseman and Manufacturer, 20-24 South Main Street

Founded c. 1800 and incorporated c. 1870; the MD is John Kelleher. Illustration

William Egan & Sons, Watchmakers, Diamond Merchants and Ecclesiastical Furnishers, 32-33 Patrick Street

Founded 18th Century; there is a branch in the US. Illustration

The Glen Distillery Co, Kilnap

Previously a corn mill from the 18th century, it was converted in 1882 and after several years was acquired by J H Sugrue JP & Deputy Lieutenant for Cork, and partner in a provision business, Charles Sugrue & Co, an exporter of butter from the 1820s. Offices were at Carroll's Quay. Illustration

The Queen's Old Castle Co, Upholsterers, House Furnishers, General Drapers, Carpet Warehousemen, Silk Mercers, Jewellers, Grand Parade

Found c. 1840 by William Fitzgibbon, deceased, ex-mayor of Cork, and succeeded by his son Victor Beare; incorporated in 1873 in partnership with Alexander Grant and T Lyons. The building previously was the old Court House. The mangers were Mr and Mrs Hart, the latter in charge of the millinery department; c. 100 employed

St Ann's Hill Hydropathic Establishment, Blarney

Founded in 1834 by Dr Barter and succeeded by his son, Richard (landowner with c. 1000 acres and pedigree livestock); it has tennis courts and a 13 hole golf course

Central Furniture Warehouse and House and Land Agency, 70 Patrick Street

Originally Messrs Burrowes and Son, it was acquired by Fred Caffelle in 1879, furnished the Cork Opera House

The Munster Arcade Drapery Establishment, Patrick Street

AKA Robertson, Ledlie, Ferguson and Co Ltd. Founded in Waterford by William Robertson JP and James Crawford Ledlie in 1848; it opened a Belfast branch in 1853 in partnership with Robert Ferguson JP and Henry Hawkins, deceased. In 1866 it opened in Cork. It was incorporated in 1880 with chairman Mr Robinson, responsible for Belfast, with James Crawford & A H Ledlie, sons of the co-founder recently deceased, over Cork. Illustration

M Saunders and Sons, Friars Walk Nurseries

Founded by Michael Saunders in 1825; he died 1877 and was succeeded by his son David

D F Sullivan & Co, Tea and Wine Importers, Maylor Street

Founded 'some years ago'. Illustrations

Lunham Brothers, Bacon Curers

Founded c. 1830 by Scottish brothers

William Baylor Hartland FRHS, Seed Merchant and Florist, 24 Patrick Street

Founded in late 18th century by Richard Hartland FRHSE, grandfather of proprietor, with trial grounds at Ard Cairn, Blackrock

The King Street Iron Works

Founded in 1810 by Mr McSweeney and succeeded by two nephews H and C Smith until 1889 when it was incorporated

Dwyer & Co, Ltd, Warehousemen and Manufacturers, 24-29 Great George Street

Founded c. 1800; it expanded to included 26-29 in 1883. It was incorporated in 1891 under chairman James Dwyer with Walter Dwyer, John Morrogh MP, Henry Dale (alderman) and Henry Barry.

Peter Dee & Sons, Cabinet Makers and Upholsterers, 65 George Street

Founded c. 1840 by Peter Dee, deceased, and managed by his widow and Charles Dee.

James Hackett, Watchmaker, Jeweller and Silversmiths, 41 Patrick Street

Founded in 1820, the proprietor was a grandson, the third generation with the same name.

James Clery & Co, Wholesale Wine Merchants and Tea Importers, Maylor Street

Founded in 1810 by an ancestor of the proprietor, John Walsh Clery JP ex-High Sherriff and ex-President of Cork Incorporated Chamber of Commerce and Shipping; with a bonded warehouse at Union Quay

E & P O'Flynn, Watercourse

Founded in the 1860s; the first contactors for the Cork Improved Dwellings Co in 1876 and other major construction projects, listed. E O'Flynn was elected President of the Cork Builders Association in 1891, succeeding E Fitzgerald, ex-High Sherriff. Illustrations

Alexander Grant & Co, Silk Mercers. Drapers, Milliners, Mantle Makers, Carpet and General Furnishing Warehousemen, 52-54 Patrick Street & 17-18 Grand Parade

Founded in c. 1840 by Sir John Arnott, he was subsequently joined by Grant, who became sole proprietor on the former's retirement. He then amalgamated with Messrs Lyons, warehousemen, and Queen's Old Castle Co (aka T Lyons and Co Ltd). The Directors were Archd P B Grant, chairman, William Thos Barrett, Thos Hayes, M D Daly JP, Francis Lyon, John Kelleher MD and Thos Mulcahy, Secretary

Michael Morris, Steamship Owner and Coal Importer, Lapp's Quay

Founded in the last six months; offices at 95 South Mall, Fiddown and Tipperary

Scanlan & Sons, Auctioneers, House and Insurance Agents, 69 South Mall

Founded in 1863 by Messrs MacCarthy and Scanlan; in 1890 it changed to current title

Bible Brothers, Merchants and Manufacturers of Wall-papers and Decorators' and Artists' Requisites, Pope's Quay

Founded c. 1840 by Henry Bible, died 1866, and succeeded by his sons, William H and G F E

Robert Scott & Co Ltd, Wholesale Iron, Metal and Hardware Merchants and Manufacturers, Builders' and House Furnishing, Ironmongers, St Patrick's Quay

Founded in 1822 by Mr Beale, subsequently joined by Robert Scott becoming Beale & Scott Co; later it became Robert Scott & Co. It was reconstructed in the previous year under Major J T Budd, MD, Robert Day JP, Chairman, J T Rudd, Queenstown, Robt McCowen JP, Tralee, F H Keane, Cappoquin, W G Williams Secretary, George Cole Manager, Abram B Scott Superintendant of Retail Department. Also at 25 King St with ironworks at Monard and Coolowen, in 1892 becomes agent for Consolidated Telephone Construction and

Maintenance Co, London with A B Scott, manager assisted by Mr Buchanan and Mr Walsh, electrician; Illustration

C J Danckert & Co, Wine Merchants

Founded late 18th century, proprietors are John A and Christian J Danckert; no address

Samuel Hill, Builder and Contractor

Founded c. 1870, list of major contracts, no address

John Perry & Sons, Furnishing and General Ironmongers, 89 Patrick Street

Founded in 1840 by John Perry and survived by sons Stephen and John; branches at 13-17 Academy St and French Church St

Thomas R Lester, Pharmaceutical and Dispensing Chemist, 106-107 Patrick Street

No dates

Andrew Johnson, Carriage Builder, 20-21 Kyrl's Quay

Founded 1885; employs 30

Timothy Hegarty & Son, Paper Manufacturers, Butlerstown Paper Mills

Founded c. 1850 by Timothy Hegarty, deceased, and succeeded by only son Denis in 1879; Offices were at 3-5 & 21-22 Bowling Green St

John Gilbert, Optician to Faculty & Eye Hospital, Print Seller, Frame Maker, Artists' Colourman and Illuminator, 120 Patrick Street

Founded c. 1870; also 'Practical sympathy is rendered to the pecuniary necessities of poor patients'

J McCarthy & Sons, Rectifying Distillers, Whisky Shippers, Wine Merchants and Wholesale Tea Importers, 34-35 Cook Street

Founded c. 1840 with branch at 12 Queen St; brands included Clancarty and Irish Potheen, illustration

Richard Foley, Engineer, Millwright, Machinery Manufacturer and Boiler Makers, Vulcan Foundry

Founded c. 1850 by Mr Steele and succeeded by his son when, over time, it became inactive. Acquired by Foley in 1885 with J G McLean MIME, formerly Northern Engineering Works, as sole manager from 1887

James L Lyons & Co, Leather, Bark and Valonia Merchants, 121-122 George Street

Founded 1740s by Messrs D Murphy and Son and acquired 1882 by Lyons, collector of Poor Rates, Cork City, and borough Rates

Abbott Brothers, Wine and Spirit Importers, Bottlers of Guinness Stout and Bass and Allsop's Ales and Mineral Water Manufacturers, North Mall

Founded c 1860 by S Abbott and succeed by his son Philip and brothers. Water comes from the Franciscan Well

G P Houghton & Co, Wholesale Hardware Merchants, 17 North Main Street

Founded in 1800 by Hannah Houghton and Son, became Benjamin and George Primrose Houghton in 1840, G P Houghton in 1869, and in 1888 with John Atkins, Dunmanway, becoming senior partner, its final name; G P Houghton continues as manager

Hunt & Son, Opticians, 109 George Street

Founded in 1792 by present proprietor's grandfather at 118 Patrick St and continued there until c. 1865. Manufacturer of navigational equipment and industrial and medical glassware

John Barry, Lime Manufacturer, Salt Refiner, Brick Maker, and General Building Materials Merchant, Douglas Street

Founded c. 1840 by grandfather of proprietor who succeeded in 1871, specialised in dairy salt

J V O'Connell & Co, Cork Family Linen Warehouse, 49 St Patrick Street

Founded 1874

The Lough Nurseries

Founded in 1776 by Richard Hartland; he was associated with Arthur Young and received a lease of the 'White Knight's' estate of 100,000 acres, where he planted a forestry; now run by a grandson of the same name. Up to 500 employed on landscaping projects. A museum has samples of Irish woods and insect pests. One son a doctor in West Africa and another is with an Australian Forestry Department

Denis McAuliffe, Family Grocer, Tea and General Spice Merchant, 27 North Main Street

Founded c. 1860 by Daniel McAuliffe and succeeded by his brother in 1880

James Johnson, Nelson Place Carriage Manufactory

Founded in 1810 by Robert W Eddin and acquired by Johnson c. 1860; employs 60-70. Illustration

Joseph Pigott & Son, Court Hair Dressers, 36 Marlborough Street

Founded c. 1820 and succeeded by his son Joseph, senior invented a method of pruning ladies' hair as a means of preserving it in old age; list of clients

McKenzie & Sons, Ltd, Seed and Corn Factors, Camden Street

Founded c. 1840 with warehouse at 1-4 Pine St, incorporated 1880, chairman W M McKenzie, Dublin, and John B McKenzie, Cork, MD

Thomas Murphy, Merchant Tailor, 9 Marlborough Street

Founded 1877

James R Cross, Funeral and General Posting Establishment, 44-47 Nile Street

Founded c. 1870 by J and R F Cross and succeeded by a son, James R, 1882; the horse-powered equivalent of a car rental agency

William Hegarty and Sons, Tanners, Curriers and Leather Merchants, Blarney Street

Founded late 18th century by Mathew Hegarty, was succeeded by his son William and grandsons John, Matthew and Patrick J, the last joining in the 1840s. William sponsored school foundations and John is an expert on St Bernard dogs.

The Munster Cycle Depot, 118 Patrick Street

Found 1889 by W R McTaggart, factory at 2 Drawbridge Street, an ex-prizewinning cyclist with a Bronze Medal for life saving

George Walker, Merchant Tailor, 98 Patrick Street

Employs twenty

Hosford & Co, Wholesale and Family Grocers, 58 Old George Street

Founded 1878 by William Hosford

R & J McKechnie, Steam Dyers and Cleaners, Victoria Dye Works, 1 Pembroke Street

Founded c. 1865 in George Street who subsequently acquired the Victoria Dye Works; offices 56 Henry St, Dublin, and 2 Cecil Street, Limerick

Frank Walker, Tailor, 59 Patrick Street

Founded before 1870 at 28 Grand Parade, when he moved to London for 20 years returning in 1887

Lunham & Co, Ham and Bacon Curers, Exporters, 3 Lavitt's Quay

Founded by Alexander Lunham, c. 1840, and succeeded by his son Alexander William, also a premises at Pope's Quay

Walter T Kinsworth, Account Book and Letter Press Binder, Bookbinder, 31 Fish Street

Established 1877; Bookbinder to Queen's College

W Marsh & Sons, Auctioneers, & Valuers, 70 South Mall

Founded 1835 by William Marsh, deceased, and succeeded by his eldest son W J assisted by his two sons, R H and Joshua H. Cattle auctions began 1866 at Copley Street Repository

Lawson & Co, Gentlemen's Outfitters, Shirt-makers and Hosiers, 33 Grand Parade

Founded in 1795 by Joseph Lawson and run by a descendant H R Gorsuch

B Watson, Art Metal Worker, General Whitesmith, Locksmith and Bell Hanger, 5-6 Robert Street

Founded in 1864 when Watson 'came over from England'

The Glen Tannery and Boot Manufactory, 1-3 Glen Lane

Founded c. 1850 by Daniel Ryan and assisted by two sons; employs 40-50

Oakenhead & Co, Seedsmen and Florists, 86 Patrick Street

Founded in 1810 and acquired by Oakenhead in 1880

John Rearden & Son, Wholesale Wine and Spirit Merchants and Tea Dealers, 26 Great George Street

Founded in 1835 by the father, since 1865 named as above; sole agents of alter wine supplied by the Dominican Fathers of the College of Corpo Santo, Lisbon

James Atkins, Pianoforte Warehouse, 111 Patrick Street

Founded c. 1870

Sunderland & Blair, Printers, Cook Street

Founded 1884 as Sunderland and Malony and changed, in 1890, to above

R H Smith, Wholesale Tea Dealer, Baker and Family Grocer, Shamrock Bakery, 80 North Main Street

Founded in 1890 with branches at 102 Blarney Street and 5 Evergreen Road

James A Harley & Co, Coal Merchants and Steamship Owners, 26 St Patrick's Quay

Founded, c. 1810, by Mr Austin, great-granduncle of Harley, who, with a brother, is proprietor since c 1870; branches are at Buttevant, Mallow, Kanturk and Macroom.

Haden & Co, Wholesale Bottlers and Mineral Water Manufacturers, Maylor Street

Founded in 1888 by Joseph Alfred Haden

Dunn Brothers, Tanners, 26 & 38-40 Watercourse Road

Founded in 1808 by Patrick Dunn at Clarence Street and moved to above in 1810; he died in 1830 and was succeeded by his son, Michael, deceased. Directors are Patrick F, Christopher J and J F Dunn who have since acquired Messrs Daniel Murphy & Sons. Patrick F, responsible for finances, became member of the Harbour Board, 1873, Poor Law Guardian, 1875, Town Council member, 1886 and High Sherriff of Cork the same year. Christopher J, responsible for manufacturing, was JP, ex-officio Poor Law Guardian (up to 1891), Visiting Justice to Cork Prison and Chairman of the Cork Butter Market.

Fred. W Russell, Family Grocer and Wholesale Tea and Wine Merchant, 119 Patrick Street

Founded in 1866 and acquired by Russell in 1890, sells *Olden's Horse Application*, invented by Cork surgeon, Robert Olden

Miss Foley, Stationer and Bookseller, 101 Patrick Street

Founded 1887, also tourist souvenirs

Wood & Son, Hatters, 46 Patrick Street

Founded after 1691 in Youghal by Daniel Wood of London (where he apprenticed as a hatter) 'who followed the fortunes of William of Orange in his memorable campaign in the Southern Provinces' but later moved to Blackrock where his sons continued, making beaver hats. Subsequently they moved to North Main Street and, c. 1840, to the above. Current proprietor is Samuel Wood; his son, Richard Ponsonby Wood, is the manager. Believed to be the oldest business in Ireland

W Morton & Son, Gun Manufacturers, Gunpowder and Cartridge Merchants, 53 George Street

Founded in 1846 by William Morton, his son is also William; they stock angling equipment

R Sunner, Pharmaceutical and Family Chemist, The Medical Hall, 31 Patrick Street

'Old business institution'

John Highet, Plumber, Gasfitter and Hydraulic Engineer, 4 Marlborough Street

Founded in 1855, employs 20

Patrick Cahill, Wholesale Merchant of Tin Plate, Sheet Iron, and Zinc Ware, Drawbridge Street

Founded c. 1855

Punch & Co, Tea Merchants and Wholesale Grocers, Academy Street

Founded c. 1860, previously in Patrick St

Jerome Hegarty, Brush & Bellows Manufacturer, South Gate Bridge

Founded in 1890 with a shop at 32 Great George Street

W Wallis Hoare MRCVS, Veterinary Establishment, 18 Cook Street

'Well-known'

Robert Merrick, Engineer, Warren's Place Iron Works

Founded c. 1840 by Jeremiah Merrick and succeeded by his son; employs 30

Wm Haynes, Fishing Tackle Manufacturer, 63 Patrick Street

Founded c. 1855; invented the Archer Spinner and Blarney Prawn Tackle, assisted by his son, 'unpretentious single little shop'

T D O'Brien & Co, Munster Woollen Warehouse, 37 Patrick Street

Founded c. 1855 with warehouses in Faulkner's Lane; O'Brien is also senior partner of Munster Warehouse Co, 27-28 Patrick Street

William Lynch, Oil and Colour Merchant and Wax Chandler, 8 Great George Street

Founded c. 1840 by Mr Lynch and succeeded by above c. 1870 with a branch at Tobin St

Booth & Fox, Feather Merchants, Woven Wire Mattress, Curled Hair and Curled Hair Mattress, Bedding and Eider Down Quilt Manufacturers, Lavitt's Quay

Founded in 1825; offices in London and Manchester with travelling salesmen around the Empire. Illustration

Robert Day & Son, Saddlers and Harness Makers, 103 Patrick Street

Founded in 1831 and succeeded by son, a JP, and grandson

Keane & Turnbull, Tailors and Habit Makers, Grand Parade

Founded early 1800s; sole proprietor is D D Keane

John O'Connell & Son, House and Church Decorators, 87 North Main Street

Founded c. 1870 by John O'Connell, died 1883, previously manager to Thomas Dixon for 15 years, deceased, and trained by his uncle C O'Connell, established since c. 1800 and succeeded by his son J J; list of clients

Garrett Tobin, Wholesale and Family Grocer, 105 North Main Street

Founded in 1884

The County and City House and Ornamental Painting and Room Paper Establishment, 11 Great George Street

Founded in 1829 by Mr Dixon who remained till 1847; it was acquired by John Daly c. 1875

Mullins & Sons, Carriage Builders, Warren's Place

Founded in 1843 at Naylor St and moved to above early 1880s; Branch at Maylor St

T & J Atkins, Pianoforte and Organ Warehouse, 117 Patrick Street

Founded in 1871; manager is Mrs Atkins

D O'Sullivan, General Brush Manufacturer, 27 Maylor Street

Founded in 1798 by Mr Varian; acquired by O'Sullivan in 1884 who moved premises from 105 Patrick St

T Jones & Sons, Seedsmen, 85 Grand Parade

Founded late 18th century by an ancestor; proprietors are Thos and John Jones, brothers

Cleburne Brothers, Tailors and Outfitters, 47 Great George Street

Founded c. 1840 and rebuilt after fire in 1879; proprietor is William Henry Cleburne

The Home and Foreign, Fruit, Flower and Vegetable Depot, 43 Patrick Street

Founded in 1885 by Miss Kate MacCarthy

William Carroll, Salt, Lime and Brick Manufacturer and General Material Merchant, Anglesea Street

Founded in 1830 by J Carroll; he died 1862 and was succeeded by his son; there are brickworks at Doulas and limestone quarries at Carrigmore

E Smith, Hosier, Glover, Shirt and Collar Maker and General Outfitter, 11 Grand Parade

Founded c. 1840; in 1885 it was acquired by Smith from D Flynn junior

P J Daly, Modeller and Cycle Agent, 13 Caroline Street

Founded in the last year

S Daly & Son, Sculptors, Cook Street

Founded c. 1840 and employs 20

W J Tomkins & Son, Wine and Spirit Merchants, Winthrop Street

Founded in 1823

David Mulcahy, Baker, 64 North Main Street

Founded c 1870

James McCarthy, Naval and Military Tailor, 82 Patrick Street

Founded c. 1875

G Dalton, Cabinet Maker & Upholsterer, 63 Grand Parade

Founded c. 1840 with a branch at 8-10 Corn Market Street

J Waters, Oil, Colour, Glass, Brush, Lead and Household Sundries Warehouse, 4 Winthrop Street

Founded c. 1820 by H Morris; acquired by James Waters in 1875

John O'Brien & Co, The Cork Woollen and Hat Warehouse, 58 Patrick Street

Founded in 1878 and includes The City of Cork Boot Manufacturing Co Ltd, 63 Watercourse Road. Mr O'Shea is co-manager. Alderman O'Brien is twice ex-mayor and advocate of the Nationalist Movement, he was jailed twice in 1886-7

Daniel Sheehan, China, Glass, and Lamp Warehouse, 109-110 Patrick Street

Founded in 1848 by the father

B & T Atkins, Music and Pianoforte Saloon, Beethoven House, 81 Patrick Street

Newly established

Allan & Holden, Gentlemen's Outfitters, 44 Patrick Street

Founded c. 1870; Mr Holden died 1875; Peter Allan is sole proprietor

T Russell & Son, Provision, Cheese, Game and Poultry Merchants, 4 Prince's Street

Founded in 1843 by Thomas Russell, deceased, succeeded by his son, Thomas junior; branch at 46 Grafton St, Dublin

R C Oakshott, Wine and Brandy, Wholesale Tea and Spirit Merchant, Deans Street

Founded in 1872 at Cook Street as Messrs Sweeney and Oakshott; latter is sole proprietor since 1883

Blarney

Martin Mahony & Brothers, Woollen Manufacturers, Blarney Mills

Founded in 1751 at Rochestown, then to Blackpool, then Glanmire and, in 1824, to Blarney; it was rebuilt in 1869 after a fire. Tweeds first produced in 1862. With offices at 3 Camden Quay, it employs 750 with wages of £20,000 pa, with a planned village and co-operative store; directors are Nicholas, Timothy and Edmund Ronayne Mahon. Photo (listed in Cork section and transferred as a separate entry – there are no other Blarney firms)

Queenstown

Nolan, Importer and Dealer of Tea, Coffee, Spice and Wine, 17-18 West Beach

Founded c. 1840 by an ancestor of Frank Nolan

Currans, International Drapery House, 16 Beach

Founded 1883 by Thomas Curran, deceased, and succeeded by his widow and son J

The Queen's Hotel

Founded early 1850s; proprietor, since 1874, is W Raymond. Illustration

E English, Victualler and General Provision Merchant, 3 King's Square

Founded c. 1850 by Mr Garthwaite and acquired by English in 1871; a supplier of the Atlantic trade

T White, Pharmaceutical Chemist, 17 Westbourne Place

Founded 1887 at 8 West beach and moved 1890

George Gates, Practical Watchmaker and Jeweller, 6 East Beach

Founded in 1877 at 19 West Beach, has a monopoly of Government, Admiralty and War Office maintenance contracts

Joseph Glasson, House, Sign, Plain and Ornamental Painter, Paperhanger, Glazier, 8 Harbour Row

Acquired in 1887 from W J Fry

Midleton

Maurice Ronayne, Wholesale, Family Grocer, Wine and Spirit Merchant

Founded in 1862, reference to Daniel Brophy, from Castlecomer, Co. Kilkenny, a millionaire patron of Ballarat, Australia who emigrated 1847, aged 14

Nicholas Walsh & Son, General Hardware, Ironmongers and Importers, Steam Mills

Founded c. 1840 by Nicholas Walsh, deceased 'a short time back', and succeeded by his son Michael H; includes a steam saw and corn mill

Day Brothers, Merchant Tailors and Outfitters, Main Street

Founded c. 1830 by William Day, deceased, and succeeded by his sole surviving son, David C

Mallow

Moran's Central Hotel, 133-134 Bank Place

Founded by John Moran, steward to the Mallow Club

J & R Webb, Roller Flour Millers, Quarterstown and Mallow Mills

Both founders are deceased; the proprietor is Charles Arthur Webb with Mr Perry manager; it employs 120

P J Sheahan & Son, Iron and Hardware Merchant, Main Street

Founded c. 1865 by P J Sheahan who died in 1882, was succeeded by his son who died 1885; and now managed for the minors by James J Carroll since 1889

Fermoy

John Punch & Co, Family Grocers and Wine Merchants

Founded in 1851

H A Daniels, Merchant Tailor, Clothier and Military Outfitter, Queen Square

Founded c. 1860 by Henry A Daniels

Fermoy Dairy Co

Founded last year; proprietor is Philip Dunlea

Thomas Fox, Woollen and Linen Draper, Hosier, Haberdasher, Silk Mercer and Laceman, Queen Square

Founded c 1830 and acquired by Fox c. 1877

Killarney

Denis McDonnell, Fishing and Shooting Agency, 2-3 Main Street

Founded recently as a Family Grocer, Wine and Spirit Merchant; previously McDonnell was sub-manager in the Victoria Hotel and is agent of landowners' shooting and fishing rights

Graham's Hotel, The Glebe

Founded in 1886 by John Graham at New Street and opened The Glebe in the past year

J O'Leary, Wholesale and Retail Draper, Millinery and Fancy Warehouse, Munster House, Main Street

Founded c. 1865 by John O'Leary

Tralee

J M Slattery, Bacon Curer, Butter and Egg Merchant

Founded c. 1840 by father of Jeremiah M Slattery

Robert McCowen & Sons, Importers, Merchants and Manufacturers, The Mall

Founded in 1844 by Robert as a seed store and, in 1881, was joined by his two sons, Robert junior and William Henry. In Edward St are saw and grinding mills, a branch house in Barrack St, foundry in Edwards St, a branch in Dingle, managed by Mr Talbot; and also own Old Chapel Mills and Shamrock Mills. Robert senior was JP, Grand Juror for Kerry, member of the Harbour and Town Commissioners, Deputy Chairman of the Tralee and Dingle Light Railway and Director of Tralee and Finit Railway.

John Nolan, Butter, Egg and Bacon Merchant, 7 Russell Street

Founded c. 1840; premises in Manchester

Orr & Rippingale, Wholesale and Retail Merchants, 17-18 The Square

Acquired in the last year; previously Messrs Hodgins & Co, by Thomas W Orr and William Rippingale, previously employed at J & G Boyd Ltd, Limerick, and McKenzie & Sons Ltd, Cork

Hogg & Co, Teamen, Family Grocers, Italian and Fancy Goods Warehousemen, Stationers, 32 Denny Street

Founded 1889

Thomas Galvin, Importer and General Merchant, 22-23 Bridge Street

Founded in 1840 by William Galvin, who was succeeded by Thomas in 1887; he is member of the Harbour Commissioners

The Munster Cash Co, Wholesale and Retail Drapers, 19-20 The Mall

Founded c. 1815 and acquired by John Perry & Co in 1882; manager was Mr Hoffman

John Curtayne, Carriage Builder, 2 Upper Castle Street

Founded 1878 in Nelson St and moved in 1888

John B Healy, Builder and Contractor, Plumber and Gas Fitter, Edward Street

Founded by John B and Patrick until 1888 when the partnership was dissolved; also proprietor of Ballybegan Quarries and Limekilns

Bandon

John Clerke & Co, General Iron Mongers, Hardware, Coal, Seed, & Guano Merchants, 35 South Main Street

Founded c. 1840 by John Clerke and succeeded by his nephew, Mr Emerson, in 1882; branch in Weir St

R Barrett, East Gully Tannery

Founded as Manor Mill in the 18th century by Mr Folley, was succeeded by Mr Edwards, by Timothy Barrett in 1821 who died at 'a very advanced age' in 1889, and by R Barrett

Dawson Brothers, General Drapers and Milliners

Founded in the 18th century and still in the family

Morrissey & Co, Boot and Shoe Merchants, The London Boot House

Founded 1890

J Walsh & Co, Wholesale Wine Merchants and Aerated Water Manufacturers

Founded c. 1875; employs 40 staff

Henry Scott, Woollen Warehouse

Founded in 1835 by Mr Trisellian, acquired by James Moriarty, c. 1852, and by Scott in the last year

Unkles Brothers, Flour Millers and Corn Merchants, Manor Mills

Founded c. 1855

Bantry

Vickery's Hotel

Founded in 1855 by father (died 1883) of the proprietor, George Vickery

William Warner, Butter Merchant

Founded 1880, partner James Manders, employs 50

Railway and Commercial Hotel

Founded c. 1875 and acquired by D D McCarthy in 1887

Waterford

Robertson, Ledlie, Ferguson & Co Ltd, 53-54 Qauy

Founded in 1844 and employs 70; has branches in Cork and Belfast. Photo

John Garvey, Wholesale Bottler and Mineral Water Manufacturer

Founded 1885. Illustration

JJ Richardson, Queen's Bacon Factory, Morgan Street

Founded c 1850 by Joseph Strangman Richardson at Mary St and moved to above in 1864; he died 3rd May 1870. He was succeeded by his brother Jonathan Joseph who died 1876; it is now managed by his executors. Employs 150. Illustration

JJ O'Sullivan, Pharmaceutical Chemist, Medical Hall, 4 The Mall

Established business acquired in 1886 by O'Sullivan, previously with Messrs Hamilton, Long & Co, Dublin with branches in Main St, Tramore, and Ennis; the latter is managed by M O'Sullivan, previously with Hamilton & Long and later with Messrs Harrington & Son, Cork

John Egan & Sons, Wholesale Whisky Merchants, Tea and Wine Importers

Founded in 1854 by John Egan, died 1888, and succeeded by his sons, William P and Edward

Pope Brothers, Wholesale Wine and Spirit Stores

Founded in 1772 by the great-grandfather of William Pope; bonded stores are at Coffee House Lane

Edward Courtenay & Sons, Butter Merchants and Exporters

Founded in 1765 by an ancestor of James H Courtenay

J P Graves & Co, Waterpark Timber Yard & Graves Patent Roofing Co, New Ross

Founded c. 1810 by William Graves at New Ross; in 1851, with the opening of the railway, it transferred to Waterford. William died c. 1872 and was succeeded by his sole surviving son J P; the New Ross operation is managed by Elly Graves.

R Fennessy & Son, Nurserymen and Seed Merchants

Founded in 1712 by a great-grandfather with a branch at Kilkenny, managed by a brother

J Moir, Engineer, Millwright, Iron and Brass Founder, General Smith, Park Foundry, Bolton Street

Founded c. 1883, also home to Laing, Wharton and Down Construction Syndicate, Electrical Engineers, contractors for Waterford's street lighting

The Adelphi Hotel

Founded c. 1850 by John Power and acquired by David Keogh in 1871

Thomas Widger, Horse Dealer

Founded c. 1860, he retired to manage cattle and sheep and was succeeded by his five sons, Thomas, Joseph, Richard, John and Michael (jockey), all horse racing enthusiasts. John's son, Jack born 1884, is an aspiring jockey

Bassett & Meredith, Wine Importers and Merchants, Waterford Wine Stores, 128 Quay

Founded c. 1790s by Mr Wilson and acquired from John Wilson in 1890; building includes ruins of a Franciscan convent

Benjamin Graham, Foundry & Iron Works, The Quay

Founded before 1788 by Benjamin, succeeded by a son, also Benjamin, and succeeded by the latter's sons Benjamin and Francis; employs 40

Johnson's Veterinary & Coachbuilding Establishment, John Street

Founded c. 1840 by J Johnson and succeeded by his son M J in 1889; W J Johnson MRCVSI is Veterinary Surgeon; employs c. 24

James Mosley & Sons, Watchmakers, Jewellers, Silversmiths & Electroplaters, 97-98 Quay

Founded in 1832 by a grandfather. Photo

W J Smith & Co, Confectioners, Bakers & Restaurateurs, George Street

Premises acquired in 1882 from Messrs Kiely & Sons, brewers who moved nearby; the manager is Joseph Brunicardi

John Kirwan, General Grocer, 124 Quay

Founded c. 1870 by Mr Moore at 118 Quay and acquired by Kirwan in 1881 who moved in 1890; branch at 3 Queen St, Tramore

R Morrissy, Undertaker and General Hirer, 35 Beresford Street

Founded c. 1875

H Downes & Co, Wine and Spirit Merchants, Thomas Street

Founded c. 1790 by H Downes; he died c. 1850 and was succeeded by his surviving partners John H Fanning and Laurence Ryan. The latter died a few years later and Fanning became sole proprietor; he is resident of London and the business is managed by Laurence Ryan

Dungarvan

Merrick & Ruddell, Irish Woollen Hall

Branch, founded 1881, of a Youghal business managed by Merrick with Ruddell in Dungarvan; there is a china warehouse adjacent. Illustration

William Lawlor, Family Grocer, Tea and Wine Importer, O'Connell Street

Founded 1890

Cappoquin

R & F Keane, Cappoquin Foundry

Founded in 1881 by Sir Richard Keane and F H Keane; the former retired in 1885 due to ill health. Illustration

Kilkenny

John Willoughby, Watchmaker & Jeweller, High Street

Founded c. 1860

T Power & Son, General Ironmongers and Manufacturers, High Street

Founded c. 1790 by Thomas Power; the proprietor a descendant, Laurence John Power; employs 70

E O'Shea, Monumental and Architectural Sculptor

Founded c.1810 in Callan by P O'Shea and was succeeded c. 1830 by James O'Shea, father of Edward, the proprietor, stone is obtained from Bonnet's Rath, Holden's Rath and Ballydonnell and employs 50

Coyle Brothers, Printers, Booksellers, Publishers & Stationers, High Street

Founded c. 1860 by John and Thomas Coyle; printing works are at Watkin St; John was High Sherriff in 1888 and Thomas in 1889; the former was Mayor in 1889 and an alderman

Duggan Brothers, Outfitters and Fancy Drapers, High Street

Founded 1885 by R and E Duggan, Kilkenny natives

Clonmel

McCuaig Brothers, Wholesale and Family Grocers, Tea, Wine and Spirit Merchants

Founded in 1880

Scott Brothers, Merchant Tailors and Breeches Makers

Founded c. 1850

Hearn's Family and Commercial Hotel, Parnell Street

Founded c. 1840 and was acquired first by Mr Cantwell and in 1890 to E Murphy

Thomas Murphy & Co, Brewers, Clonmel Brewery

Founded in 1798 and rebuilt after an 1829 fire. Present title adopted in 1838 by brothers Thomas (died 1850) and John M Murphy (died 1849); they were succeeded by Samuel and Benjamin, sons of John M. Samuel died in 1854, his successor was another brother, John;

Benjamin died in 1880 and John in 1886. Mr Ffennell is the manager on behalf of Messrs Thomas, George F and John M, sons of Benjamin

E O'Donoghue, General Draper, 31 Parnell Street

Also an auctioneer with a wine and spirit company at Dublin St

Limerick

W J Shaw & Son, Ham and Bacon Curers, Garryowen

Founded in 1831 by William John Shaw, 'descended from an ancient Co Down family', deceased. It is the 2nd largest bacon curing plant in Europe. A W Shaw is (a co-patentee of one process) is MD; the London Office is under James Thompson Shaw, an elder brother; the Cork branch is under Charles H Gubbins, brother-in-law. A W is Vice-President of the Chamber of Commerce, President of the Protestant Home Rule Association and a 'consistent Liberal', pig breeder and sports supporter.

The Condensed Milk Company of Ireland Ltd, Lansdowne

Founded in 1881 with offices at 131 George St. Thomas Henry Cleeve, arrived from Canada to Limerick, c. 1860, and became an apprentice to an oil, colour, drug and cement enterprise belonging to an uncle and subsequently became manager and sole proprietor of J P Evans & Co, general merchants. He rebuilt premises in Thomas St and acquired another at George St and brought over four younger brothers from Canada to assist later setting up the plant at the Old Ship Yard. Another plant is at Mallow, one under construction at Carrick on Suir and offices in London and Liverpool. Illustration

Cannock & Co. Ltd, Wholesale and Retail Drapers, Merchant tailors, Cabinet Makers, Upholsterers, Carpet, Curtain and General Warehouse, George Street

Founded early 1800s as Messrs Cumine, Mitchell & Co, Woollen Drapers; it was acquired by Messrs Cannock and White in 1850, later becoming Arnott, Cannock & Co. Some years later Sir John Arnott retired; George Cannock, deceased, was joined by Sir Peter Tate, deceased. It was acquired by J Clery JP, Proprietor of Clery & Co, Sackville St, Dublin, and James Moriarty Tidmarsh JP in 1869; incorporated in 1877. Philip T Toppin is MD. Illustration and long description of its bells

J P Evans & Co, Chemists, Druggists, Drysalters, Seed & Agricultural Implement Merchants, George Street

Founded in 1821; Evans was succeeded by Mr Journeaux and then by Mr Cleeve, c. 1870; warehouse at 48 Thomas St. Illustrations

Harrison Lee & Sons, Millwrights, Engineers, Smiths, Boiler Makers, Brass and Iron Founders, City Foundry

Founded c. 1830 and succeeded by his two sons, Samuel Edward and Richard John Lee

Limerick Clothing Factory

Originally a military barracks and converted c. 1860 by Sir Peter Tait. It has a staff canteen for 200 and a pension scheme for the 1,000 employees. Incorporated in 1884 with G H M Ricketts, CB chairman, James F E Bannatyne DL, T A Ferguson, O Wallace JP and E Taylor MD (since 1889). Photo & illustration

J N Russell & Sons, Corn and Malt Millers

Founded in 1810 by John Norris Russell and was succeeded by his sons, Francis William, Thompson, Richard and Arthur, who were succeeded by his grandsons, John Norris and Edmund Russell. Roller Mill at Newtown Pery another two at Lock and Corbally and depots at Askeaton, Bruff, Caherciveen, Castletown, Dingle, Ennis, Gort, Kilrush, Kenmare, Listowel, Nenagh, Newcastle West, Rathkeale, Tipperary and Tarbert

Flavin & Co, Provision Merchant & Italian Warehousemen, 133 George Street

Founded c. 1875

William Nelson, Family Grocer, 61 William Street

Aka William Street Tea Warehouse

James Kidd, Tea, Coffee, Colonial Produce Merchant and Family Grocer, 103 George Street

Founded c. 1870; he subsequently opened branches at 3 George St, Church St and Ennis

J Laird & Co, Pharmaceutical Chemists and Druggists, 118 George Street

Founded in 1833 by Mr Macadam and was succeeded by J Laird LPSI c. 1860

David Begley, Wholesale Grocer, Tea, Wine, Brandy Importer, Spirit & General Merchant, 36 William Street

Founded in 1814; from 1859 Begley was in Wickham St and moved in 1869 to William St by acquiring another business. There are Wine Vaults at 1-2 High St, Wholesale Stores at 28 High St and Bonded Warehouse at Mardyke

George McKern & Sons, Printers, Commercial Stationers & Account Book Manufacturers, 113 George St

Founded in 1807 by George McKern and succeeded by grandson and granddaughter; list of titles printed

McMahon, Day & Co, The Medical Hall, 136 George Street

Founded late 18th century by Mr McMahon and succeeded by his family

P McCarthy & Sons, Cabinet Makers, Upholsterers and General House Furnishers, 38-39 George Street

Founded c. 1830 by Peter McCarthy, subsequently joined by two sons of who one, Stephen, survives as sole proprietor; they have a branch in Cecil St and also are undertakers, auctioneers and valuers

H L Stewart, Manufacturing Jeweller, Watchmaker and Optician, 104 George Street

Founded c. 1865 by the father, there is a branch at Church St, Ennis

Robert Hanna, Tea Dealer and General Family Grocer, Manufacturing Confectioner, 111 George Street

Founded 1868

O'Dea's Provision Stores, 43 George St,

Founded 1890, branch at Cecil St

James Flynn, Cruise's Hotel

Founded 1791 by Mr Bourne and called the Royal Mail Coach Hotel; in 1812 it was acquired by Mrs Moriarty; in 1832 by Mr Cruise, after whom the hotel was eventually called; in 1862 by Mr Cleary; and in 1883 by Flynn

Goodwin & Co, Glass, China and Lamp Merchants, 64-65 William Street

Founded in 1838 by Robert Goodwin, uncle of the proprietor, Mr Goodwin

William Lloyd, Wine Merchant and Grocer, 106 George Street

Founded c. 1860; he also is proprietor of Peter O'Brien, wine and spirit emporium, founded c. 1740

Z M Ledger & Son, Booksellers and Stationers, 27 George Street

Founded 1821 and succeeded by his son Z J

J & G Boyd LTD, Wholesale Druggists, Seed and Implement Merchants, Tea and Fruit Importers and Manufacturing Confectioners, 11-12 William Street

Founded in 1848 by James (died 1884) and George Boyd; connected at the rear to premises at Denmark St. Chairman is George Boyd, directors are P B Robinson and W Christy and Wm Holliday is MD – he joined as an apprentice 25 years previously

Michael Egan, Wine and Spirit Merchant, 9-11 Patrick Street

Founded c. 1855, with branches at Ellen Street, and London

P D Bourke & Co, Wholesale Warehousemen, William Street

Founded 1809 by Mrs McArdle on old Baals' Bridge and moved to 3 Rutland St when the former was demolished; she was succeeded by her son Philip. Patrick D Bourke joined as apprentice and became manager and then partner when the firm was called McArdle & Bourke. Philip died c. 1850 and P D became sole proprietor; he died in 1857 aged 42 and was succeeded by his widow (a philanthropist) who died 1888 and was succeeded by her son Patrick E Bourke, High Sherriff, Town Councillor, 'enthusiastic' Nationalist and Home Ruler, anti-Parnellite and chairman of the local branch of the Irish National Federation. Photo

James McMahon, Garryowen Saw Mills, General Cooperage Works, Coach and Van Factory, William Street

Founded late 18th century by a grandfather; employs 100

Joseph Carmody, Bacon Curer and Bacon Importer, Upper William Street

Founded by P Hogan c. 1850

Joseph Carmody, Wholesale Butter and Confectioner, Brunswick Street Bakery

Founded by the Riche family in Sarsfield St; employs 50

Joseph Sage, Hairdresser, Hair and Perfume Manufacturer, 119 George Street

Founded 1885 in Cecil St and moved 1890, since the review the premises were destroyed by fire; one fireman died

Bennis & Sons, Wholesale and Retail Grocers and Italian Warehouse men, 30 George Street

Founded 1844 by J Alexander and acquired by J F Bennis in 1856; also insurance agent

William Christy & Sons, Carriage Builders, 58 George Street

Founded in 1799 in Shannon St by Thomas Quinlan and acquired by Christy in 1855; he also acquired Player's Coach Factory, George St, from Mr Johnson, Cork, in 1868

M Cusack, House and Ecclesiastical Painter, Decorator, Importer of French and English Paperhangings, Decorative Material, 49 George Street

Founded 1864 in Cecil St and moved 1870; branch at 661/2 Grafton St, Dublin

W & C McDonnell, Margarine Manufacturers, Thomas Street

Founded in 1820 by the father, specialising in the butter, bacon and corn trade; first Irish margarine manufacturers

L Sommerfield, Tailor and Habit Maker, 125 George Street

Founded 1886

Thomas Hassett, Builders' and House Furnishing Ironmonger, 9 George Street

Founded 1889

Wexford

W Walker & Son, Wine Merchants and Family Grocers, 78 Main Street

Founded c. 1840 by William Walker and succeed by his son Robert

Jeffares Brothers, Tea, Wine & Spirit Merchants, Chandlers, 30 Main Street

Founded in 1818; the proprietors are Messrs Lett Lealy and James Jeffares Brothers; stores at 7 Commercial Quay

John Sinnott & Sons, Manufacturing Ironmongers, Cabinet Makers and Upholsterers, Bell Hangers, Copper Smiths and General Plumbers, 29 South Main Street

Founded in 1844 by John Sinnott, deceased, and was succeeded by his son, James, in 1887. The house was owned by Colonel James Sinnott, Governor of Wexford, in 1649 when Oliver Cromwell stayed there; it has a description of a room with a secret passages and reference to another two. Traditionally its origins were a 'Danish stronghold' and where Strongbow first met Eve, his intended

Michael Ennis, Timber Merchant, Crescent

Founded in 1842 by Michael Ennis who died 1871 and was succeeded by his son M A; there are three timber yards at Crescent and Custom Quays

William Doyle, Agricultural Machine Maker, Selskar Iron Works

Founded c. 1880; illustration

White's Hotel

Founded in 1795 by Mr White and succeeded by ancestors until c. 1860 when it was acquired by Mr Walker and, in 1880, by John Eyre

Brien & Keating, Furnishing & General Ironmongers, Plumbing Establishment, Electroplate and Furnishing Warehouse, Agricultural Implement, Seed and Manure Depot, 9 & 14 South Main Street

Founded 1869

Nicholas Devereux & Co, Bishopswater Distillery

Founded in 1827 by Nicholas Devereux and Mr Harvey; the water comes from the Bishop's Well. One bonded warehouse is carved out of rock, a second is at Crescent Quay

R C Webb, Pharmaceutical Chemist, Hadden's Medical Hall

Founded in 1835 by Mr Hadden and his son and was acquired by Webb in 1880; it is the oldest pharmacy in Wexford

R H Shaw, General House Furnishings and Ironmongers, Main Street

Founded by c.1850 by Mr Shaw and succeeded by his son R H; in 1887 he entered into a partnership with Messrs Hadden, drapers

Thomas H Richards, Watch Manufacturer and Jeweller, 57 North Main Street

Founded c. 1860 with a branch in London

W & G Hadden, General Drapers

Founded in c. 1840 by Messrs Banks & Fitzhenry; it was acquired by George Hadden in 1848. He died in 1858 and was succeeded by his widow until 1873 and was succeeded by her sons William and George (Corporation member) who had come of age. One invented a 'cash railway', the first in Ireland; but later replaced with the commonly used Lamson Ball system

Frederic Wood, Artistic and General Printer, The Liberty Press

Founded in 1876; the manager is C E Evans

New Ross

Graves Patent Roofing Co

Branch in Liverpool, see Graves in Waterford; branch in Liverpool

James Galavan & Co, Slate, Brick, Tile, Cement, Timber, Culm, Coal and Artificial Manure Merchants

Founded 1790s by Philip and Edward Hayes; it was acquired by Galavan in 1826. He developed the timber trade with two barques and in, 1840, purchased two colliers; in 1854 he began importing Peruvian guano. The current proprietor is James Edward Galavan JP, exchairman of the New Ross Town and Harbour Commissioners, thrice chairman of the Poor Law Guardians; he resides at Erin Vale

John Browne, General Draper

Founded c. 1850 by the father

Enniscorthy

Portsmouth Arms, Commercial and Family Hotel

Founded c. 1800 by Mr Nuzum and originally called Nuzum's until c. 1850; after several owners it was acquired by John Bennett in 1885

Albert S Davis & Co, Soap Manufacturers

Founded in 1835 as a general grocery by Francis Davis, deceased, on Castle Street; he was succeeded by his son Samuel in 1857. It moved to Mill Park Road a few years later. Samuel died in 1884 and was succeeded by his sons Albert S and Francis H. The tea business is run from London and High St, Dublin. The soap manufacturing began in 1889