

ABOUT forty years ago Mrs. Letitia Chadwick, of Dummore, County Waterford, who had been for some years getting information regarding the family put in pedigree form, placed the results of her work at my disposal, and I issued an account of the family. Since then much more information has become available, and some errors and inaccuracies discovered; I have therefore decided to issue the present work.

If anyone should feel disposed to continue this work in the future, he should make such searches as he might require from the beginning of the Nineteenth Century, subsequent to which time I have made no searches of wills and settlements and the like, for, although these are public records and may be examined by anyone, I have felt that my doing so might seem like prying into other people's affairs, and in any case I would not have cared to print information thus obtained, making it needlessly public, to the possible annoyance of living persons. I have not been able to make much use of parochial records for I have not found the Irish clergy (some at least) much disposed to assist such searches. When such Registers are in the Record Office in Dublin they may be searched easily and at no great expense. When beginning this work, requiring some searches to be made, I was advised in Ulster's Office to engage the services of Mr. Philip Crossle, whom I found to be a very competent and careful searcher, and whose fees I considered very moderate, so much so that I continued the searches much beyond what I had intended, with very satisfactory results. (I may observe that Mr. Crossle claims a sort of cousinship, through the Cardens.) The information since the beginning of the Nineteenth Century which I have obtained is derived chiefly from personal recollections of those who had been born about that time, and well knew many of the previous generation. My own personal knowledge of the family in Ireland reaches back to 1845, and includes six generations.

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