



<p>2&gt;&gt; Col. Sir Rowland &gt;&gt;&gt;&gt; &gt;&gt;&gt; Sir Robert &gt;&gt;&gt;&gt;&gt;&gt;&gt;&gt;&gt;&gt; &gt;&gt;&gt; Catherine &gt;&gt;&gt;&gt;&gt;&gt;&gt;&gt;&gt;&gt; &gt;&gt;&gt; Capt. Robert Rowland Conyers; of Tralee; &amp; of Mount Rivers, Killorglin (previously home of his uncle Robert Blennerhassett)</p> <p>Blennerhassett, Bart. (alias Hassett) of Annagharry House <b>1st Baronet of Blennerville</b> b.c1740/1 Mount Rivers, Annagarry (Ownagarry), Killorglin, Co.Kerry / d.14.3.1821 prob. bur. with his wife at Blennerville; his Will pr.1821, burnt at Four Courts 1922</p>	<p>Blennerhassett, Bart. <b>2nd Baronet of Blennerville</b> b.26.1.1769 Blennerville / of Churchtown House, Knockane, Beaufort nr Killarney, Co.Kerry; High Sheriff of Co.Kerry 1823 / Probably JP (magistrate) Co.Kerry nr Muscoda, Will dated 17.9.1831, pr.1832 transcript exists / m.27.5.1790 Tralee (1st cousin) Rosanna Blennerhassett (F 16); of Fortfield, Co.Kerry / b. Annagarry (Ownagarry), Co.Kerry; d.c26.1.1828 Churchtown House [KEP 26.1.1828] and ["The Warder", <b>Dublin 30.1.1828</b>]; but [FOSTER] [BP] and [BIFR p.138] have d.4.2.1828 in error; and [GM Feb.1828] has d.1.2.1828 in error / only daughter of Sir Robert BH's uncle, Arthur Robert BH of Fortfield &amp; Cara, Co.Kerry &amp; (Rosanna) Catherine Hickson</p>	<p>Blennerhassett b.7.7.1791; raised at Churchtown House, Knockane, Beaufort / d.?11.1869 <b>See NOTE on p.K 48</b> / m.16.5.1822 Tralee; [FOSTER] has 22.5.1822 in error) Rev. Edward FitzGerald Conyers; of Castletown Conyers, Co.Limerick; Rector of Knockane, Co.Kerry 1856 [GM Dec.1830]</p>	<p>b.bef.1840 d.1895; 89th Regt.; served in the Crimean war; m.30.4.1861; [BIFR p.140] has m.April 1862 in error; Elizabeth "Eliza" Jane Blennerhassett (p.K 49); of Tralee; b.bef.1840; dau. of (Thomas) Arthur Blennerhassett of Ballymacpripior Lodge, Killorglin &amp; of Princes Quay / Princes Place, Tralee - p.K 54)</p> <p>&gt;&gt;&gt; Rev. Charles Conyers &gt;&gt;&gt;&gt; Agnes Conyers; b.?1.1874 d.c1940 JP; b.c1823; edu. TCD (BA 1844); of Castletown Conyers; m.7.12.1871 Margaret Everina Drew; of Drewsborough &amp; Drewscourt</p>	<p><b>CAREER OF SIR ROWLAND BLENNERHASSETT, 4th Baronet of Blennerville (1839-1909) - F 03</b> Politician, Member of Parliament at Westminster, political writer on foreign affairs; Linguist; well known Irish patriot &amp; educationalist [DNB]; One of foremost UK authorities on foreign affairs, especially in Europe, writing in leading periodicals on political &amp; foreign subjects, frequently contributing to reviews of foreign politics, publishing speeches and addresses; Senator, Royal University of Ireland 1897 (mem. of the Senate standing committee); President of Queen's Coll. Cork 1897-1904 &amp; Visitor 1905-09; Member of many foreign scientific bodies and possessor of honorary degrees from many leading european universities / Strongly interested in Irish education; "Commissioner of National Education", Dublin; H.M.Inspector of Reformatories &amp; Industrial Schools in Ireland 1890-97; Sir Rowland was present 21.4.1900 when Queen Victoria visited the industrial school at Artane, Dublin; Strongly interested in land reform, advocating peasant and tenant proprietorship; he at first supported but later opposed Home Rule for Ireland, becoming a strong opponent of Parnell; NOTE: at 1871 census he was visiting the Dease family home, Coughton Court, Warwickshire; James Arthur Dease in 1872 stood in the Co.Kerry election as an "Anti Home-Rule" candidate in Co.Kerry election (F 13); NOTE: Coughton Court is the home of the Throckmortons, another ancient recusant family; Prominant Roman Catholic politician and personal friend of Cardinal John Henry Newman; Associated with the management of the "Home &amp; Foreign Review", edited by Prof. Sir John E.E. Dalberg Acton 1834-1902 (later 1st Baron Acton) the British Catholic Historian &amp; philosopher of freedom, with whom he formed a close friendship from 1862 (a quote from Lord Acton: "...The test of a country's freedom is the amount of security enjoyed by minorities")</p>
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[Strabane Morning Post, Co.Tyrone 28.7.1812]</p>	<p>Published work: wrote on political subjects in "The Times", "The Daily Telegraph", "The Nineteenth Century", "Fortnightly Review", "Deutsche Rundschau", and, especially at the end of his life, in the "National Review". Co-founder &amp; producer of the "Chronicle", a Catholic magazine (political &amp; literary organ of British liberal Catholicism) from 1867-1868; "Irish University Education" (speech, 1871); "University Education in Ireland" (speech, 1873); "Irish Railways" (speech 1872); "The Land Question in Europe" (Fortnightly Review 1881); "Peasant Proprietors in Ireland" (Contemporary Review 1885); "Ireland 1837-1887" in "The Reign of Queen Victoria, etc" by T.H.Ward, vol.1 1887; Univ. Education in England, France &amp; Germany (Queen's College Cork Address); Edited the "Bernstoff Papers" 1908; Memoir in "Memories of Gardens" (1908); Correspondence between Sir Rowland Blennerhassett and John Wodehouse, 1st Earl of Kimberley (1826-1902) in [BODLEIAN Ms. Eng. c. 4036, ff.191-2; &amp; 4037, f.2] Reviewed works of History in German, French &amp; Italian; Sir Rowland was credited with authorship of a famous interview with Kaiser Wilhelm of Germany which appeared in the British newspaper "The Daily Telegraph", creating political stir at home and constitutional crisis in Germany</p>	<p><b>LITERARY CAREER OF CHARLOTTE COUNTESS Von LEYDEN, LADY CHARLOTTE BLENNERHASSETT (1843-1917) - F 04</b> Lady Blennerhassett was a serious historian, author of several biographical works in German, most translated into French and English, receiving the "Golden Palm" from the French Ministry of Education for her services to French literature; A student of Prof. Sir John E. E. Dalberg Acton (later 1st Baron Acton), the renowned English Catholic historian and philosopher of freedom who was close friend of her husband, she became a major contributor to Lord Acton's ["Cambridge Modern History" 1907] including "The Doctrinaires" [vol.10 Ch.2] and "The Papacy &amp; the Catholic Church" [vol.10 ch.5]; <b>Lady Blennerhassett's published work includes:</b> obituary of Bishop Dupanloup published in "The Contemporary Review" 1878; "Frau von Stael, ihre Freunde und ihre Bedeutung in Politik und Literatur.. Mit einem Portrat, etc" Berlin 1887-9, 3 vols "Madame de Stael her friends, &amp; her influence in Politics &amp; Literature" Chapman &amp; Hall, London 1889, 3 vols (English translation by Jane Eliza Gordon-Cumming) "Madame de Stael, et son temps, 1766-1817...etc"; French translation by Auguste Dietrich; pub. by Louis Westhausser, Paris 1890, 3 vols "Talleyrand, ein studie" Berlin 1894 (in German) a biography of Charles M. Talleyrand-Perogord "Talleyrand" pub. John Murray, London 1894 (English translation of the above by Frederick Clarke) 2 vols, reprinted 2005 "Marie-Antoinette Konigin von Frankreich Bielefeld", 903 (in German) "Chateaubriand, mit 60 Abbildungen", Mainz 1903 (in German) "John Henry Kardinal Newman : ein Beitrag zur religi sen Entwicklungsgeschichte der Gegenwart", 1904 ("John Henry Cardinal Newman" pub. in German only) "Maria Stuart, Konigin von Schottland 1542-87", Kempten &amp; Munchen 1907 (in German) "Maria Stuart, 1542-1587 avec au portrait", Paris 1909 (French translation by the author); republished 1933 by Bibliotheque Historique Plon "Louis XIV &amp; Madame de Maintenon" with illustrations (in English) pub. G.Allen &amp; Sons, London, 1910 "Geschichtsphilosophie von Taine und Seinbild Napoleons" pub. 1911, in C.L.B. Streiflichter, pp.89-119; Streiflichter, Berlin 1911 (in German) "Sidelights", Constable &amp; Co., London 1913 (in English) a German translation of "Sidelights" by Edith Gulcher published in "Literar-Historische Aufsätze", Munich &amp; Berlin 1916 "Die Jungfrau von Orleans" (Frauenleben vol.9), Bielefeld and Leipzig, 1926 (in German) article on Lord Acton published in the "Edinburgh Review", October 1904 review? "L. N. Tolstois Briefwechsel mit der Gräfin A. A. Tolstoi 1857-1903" pub. in "Hochland" magazine October 1915, pp.94-100 "Ein Blatt aus Belgiens Geschichte" pub. in "Hochland"magazine January 1915;</p>
<p>d.c1801/2; bur. Blennerville; She is said to have died as Sir Rowland showed her the Blennerville Windmill, shortly after it came into operation, killed by a blow from a turning windmill sail as she looked out from an upper door; Some sources say building commenced in c1780; Building was completed c1800; / NOTE: In times past, before the windmill became derelict, it is said that her name and perhaps the date were inscribed in the woodwork of the door frame where this accident occurred</p>	<p>Richard Francis Blennerhassett of Blennerville; JP (Magistrate) Co.Kerry 1796; b.23.5.1772 Blennerville / In 1813 fought a duel with John O'Connell, bro. of Dan O'Connell "The Liberator" p.K 34 (see F 03 below) / d.28.11.1817 (dsp) at Cahirsiveen, Kerry; "...of a violent fever"; [Foster/BP] have Nov. 1827 in error; [GM Dec.1817] has d.4.12.1817 in error; bur. 5.12.1817</p>	<p>Attorney; JP (Magistrate) for Co.Kerry 1796-97; He commanded "Laune Rangers" regiment of volunteers, their Col. in 1779-82 / Sir Rowland Blennerhassett was founder of an enterprising family of merchants &amp; businessmen; He settled at Cahirmoreau (Cathair Uí Mhorain) also called Tramore, a mile SW of Tralee, naming both his house &amp; the village "Blennerville" after his family; He resided at "Blennerville House", Main Street, Blennerville (then already an old house) until he built Churchtown House, Knockane, Beaufort, near Killarney; he was already residing at Churchtown in 1790 and built several other large houses in Kerry; In 1800 he was granted permission to hold four yearly fairs and a weekly market at Blennerville, for annual rent of £1 / The 1st Erasmus Smith School in Blennerville was established 1812 with a grant from Sir Rowland Blennerhassett / On 19.6.1812 the house of Daniel Moriarty, a mason employed in building the church at West Churchtown, near Killorglin "...was broken into by a party of lawless ruffians, who swore Moriarty not to continue in the employment, under penalty of his life..."; following this Sir Rowland Blennerhassett procured "...an offer of rewards for the discovery of the villains concerned in these outrages..." [Strabane Morning Post, Co.Tyrone 28.7.1812]</p>	<p><b>ESSAYS published in "Deutsche Rounschau", Julius Rodenberg, Berlin:</b> "George Eliot" (1885); "Taine's Darstellung der französischen Revolution" (Feb.1886); "Queen Victoria" (1887); "D'Annunzio" (1898); "Alfred Lord Tennyson" (vol.XXXV, 5, 1889); "Paulsen über den Pessimismus" (vol.CVII Apr-Jun 1901); Herrn von Brandt's "Erinnerungen und Zeitfragen" (vol.CVII Apr-Jun 1901); "F. Max Miiller and the Religious Parliament" (republished in English in "The Open Court", London vol.XV No.2 Feb.1901 No.537 p.115+)</p>	<p><b>ESSAYS published in "Deutsche Rounschau", Julius Rodenberg, Berlin:</b> "George Eliot" (1885); "Taine's Darstellung der französischen Revolution" (Feb.1886); "Queen Victoria" (1887); "D'Annunzio" (1898); "Alfred Lord Tennyson" (vol.XXXV, 5, 1889); "Paulsen über den Pessimismus" (vol.CVII Apr-Jun 1901); Herrn von Brandt's "Erinnerungen und Zeitfragen" (vol.CVII Apr-Jun 1901); "F. Max Miiller and the Religious Parliament" (republished in English in "The Open Court", London vol.XV No.2 Feb.1901 No.537 p.115+)</p>



**TRALEE SHIP CANAL :**

Blennerville was the port for Tralee until 1846 when "Tralee Ship Canal" linking Blennerville with Tralee opened after 18 years of building; this canal enabled Tralee to take trade from Blennerville and effectively ended the use of Blennerville Quay

Ven. Arthur Blennerhassett Rowan DD (p.R 03 p.B 05 p.K 45) Archdeacon of Ardfer, was chairman of "Tralee Harbour Commission" responsible for building the Canal; c1846 a John Blennerhassett (which one?) was involved with the building of "Mulgrave Bridge" over the canal; Abandoned for many years, the canal has been dredged & restored to provide berthing for a variety of small craft

**"JEANIE JOHNSTON" 1847-1858 :**

Richard Blennerhassett, MD (p.K 49) was ship's doctor on board the "Jeanie Johnston" for four years from 1848; she is the best known of many emigrant ships that sailed from Blennerville to Canada & USA; Built at Quebec City in 1847 as a cargo ship by Canadian shipwright John Munn, she was sold the same year to Nicholas Donovan of Tralee merchants John Donovan & Sons; Intended to transport timber from Canada to Ireland, she was a triple masted barque built of oak & pine, 123ft long, 408 tons (700 tons displacement)

"Jeanie Johnston" first sailed from Blennerville for Quebec 24.4.1848 carrying 200 passengers & crew of 17; she made at least 16 voyages from Blennerville to Quebec, Baltimore or New York during 1848-55, the principal destination being Quebec; on return voyages she carried timber & foodstuffs to Ireland; She transported several thousand emigrants from Blennerville to Quebec in Canada and to Baltimore & New York in the USA; She had a remarkable safety record, never losing a passenger or crew member to disease or to the sea; She was sold in 1856 and sank in mid-Atlantic on 31.10.1858 carrying timber from Quebec to Hull; the crew were all saved

A full scale replica of "Jeanie Johnston" was built at Blennerville 1996-99, then moved to Fenit harbour in 2000 to be fitted out in preparation for her maiden voyage in Spring 2001;

She sailed to Irish & British ports before crossing the Atlantic to Canada & USA, calling at eastern seaboard ports; The voyage was planned to mark both the Millennium & 150th anniversary of the mass emigration from Ireland that accompanied and followed the great Irish famine, caused by failure of the potato crop in 1845-8;

John Griffin of Tralee was Secretary & driving force for the project; Ann Martin was site administrator during construction; Helen O'Carroll was the project historian & is now curator of the Co.Kerry Museum at Ashe Hall, Tralee; the Ship's Master was initially Capt. Michael Forward, later <???

the father of

**Rowland (Roland) Frederick Blennerhassett Mahany** (spelt thus) (1864-1937) of Buffalo, NY, USA and New York City (32nd district) (see p.BM 1)

Sarah m.2nd to Frederick Randall of Highbury; Solicitor; *in two ceremonies*

m.11.5.1850 (C.o.E.) St.James' Church, Sussex Gardens, London

m.16.5.1850 (RC) St.George's Catholic Cathedral Southwark London

NOTE: >----->

her name is sometimes written de Layden, e.g. when publishing in French, or in England during WWI when wishing not to emphasise the German connection (e.g. it appears as de Layden on the grave of her eldest son who died in India 1915)

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Held 8393 acres in Kerry 1873-86 (gross annual value £2145); had land at Kilbane, Ballymacelligott

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Moderate Liberal (Whig) MP Borough of Galway 1865-74; contested Co. Kerry 1874;

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Home Rule MP for Co.Kerry 1880-85; contested the Harbour Division of Dublin 1885 (defeated)

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In 1881 as an MP he had London lodgings at 3 St. James' Place, Westminster; also of 31 Curzon St. 1876-81 & 19 Bolton St. 1885

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d.22.3.1909 at 54 Rutland Gate, London (his daughter's home); bur. in churchyard of Downside RC church, at the gate to Downside Abbey and School, Wiltshire obit.

[TIMES 24.3.1909]; portrait in [Illustrated London News' 1909]

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**m.9.6.1870 Munich** Countess Charlotte Julia von Leyden, (Lady Blennerhassett) b.19.2.1843 Munich, Germany; only dau. of Count Karl Joseph August Graf von Leyden zu Ainhoffen (1806-76) of Barvaria, Germany and Franziska Weling von Edler (1817-1898)

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privately educated at the monastery of Blumenthal, near Aachren, for 3years; edu. University of Munich (Ph.D.) where taught by Ignaz von Dollinger (1799-1890) "...the first writer of Germany..."

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Lady-in-waiting to, and intimate friend of, the Empress Frederick of Germany; historian, biographer & essayist; prominent Anglo-German Roman Catholic (see F 02 for a list of her works)

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in the Traffic Lanes area, close to Allahabad bank; it may have been named for Sir Arthur BH or for William Blennerhassett (b.1845 Dorset), a High Court Judge in Central Provinces India (p.B 12)

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m.12.7.1899 at Passau Nieder Bayern, Germany; Mary Frances von Aretin b.1876 d.9.9.1950 of Rue de Beaumont, Geneva Switzerland 1938

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Interpreter/Translator for "League of Nations" Documents Service; of 113 Dorset House, Gloucester Place, London 1938; also of the "Forum Club" 1938; only dau. of Baron Ludwig von Aretin, of Haidenburg, Barvaria, & Mary Louise Howard

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on arrival they lived at Carnagrenach White Houses, Argyll, Scotland 1944 after the war returned to Upper Hartfield, Sussex; d.21.12.1956 Basle, Switzerland

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Sir Marmaduke Blennerhassett had m.1st 20.12.1926 (RC) Church of the Oratory, Kensington, London

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Winifred "Win" Mary McFarlane Carpenter (alias Wynne Mary Seaton-Roberts); of South Australia; b.26.7.1897 Strathalbyn, South Australia; (*m. annulled 25.5.1927; her 2nd marriage*)

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she is said to have d.1930s in England, in a car accident, but record not found

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*Winifred was the dau. of Colin Dawson McFarlane Jr (wrongly named Col. Duncan McFarlane on her 1926 marriage certificate) and Maud Mary Evans, both b. South Australia;*

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*Winn had a brother, Doug McFarlane of South Australia; this was Winifred's 2nd marriage, she m.1st Mitcham Military Camp, South Australia, to (Vere) Collis Nugent Carpenter of Australia, issue 3 children:*  
1. Betty Margaret C. (d.2005 Australia)  
2. Jack Carpenter  
3. Robert Carpenter



>> Capt. (Rowland Lewis) >>>>	Maj. (Casimir Paul >>>> >>>>
William "Willie" Paul	Francis Rowland
Sebastian Blennerhassett	Blennerhassett
DSO, OBE, despatches;	/
(he used the initials	he used the initials R.P.F.C. Blennerhassett, placing Rowland first;
W.L.R.P.S. B'hassett,	b.25.8.1911 at 9 William St., Lowndes Square, London; of London & of Brighton, Sussex;
placing William first,	as a boy in 1923 started a family scrapbook, news cuttings etc ( <i>volume now owned by Bill Jehan</i> );
and published as	acted with "The Cockyolly Players" at Webber-Douglas Theatre, London 1934
"W.L. Blennerhassett")	/
b.6.10.1882 St.George	Civil Servant, Superintendent of Customs 1938; Assistant Comptroller of Customs, Nigeria;
Hanover Sq., London	sailed on MV "Abosso" from Liverpool to Lagos, Nigeria, departing 31.10.1938;
/	served WWII in Burma as Maj. in the Nigeria Regt.; decorated; of Nigeria Customs Preventive Service 1946;
of 44 Brunswick	as Collector of Customs was resident in Nigeria when sailed on MV "Thomas Holt" from Lagos to Hull,
Gardens, London W.;	UK arriving 26.1.1948; of 105 Campden Hill Road, London 1938;
mem. of the Wellington	of 12 St.Alban's Mansion, Kensington Court Place, London 1949-1951; of 3 Cornwall Gardens, London 1952;
& Savile Clubs, London	worked for Childs Bank, London; wrote letter to [TIMES 20.10.1951];
stockbroker;	d.19.3.1993 Haywards Heath, Uckfield, West Sussex
gave up his profession	/
during WWI to join the	m.4.6.1945 (RC) Brompton Oratory, Kensington, London; Elizabeth Charlotte Josephine Stapleton
intelligence corps,	[BP, Duke of Norfolk]; Social Secretary, "Lady of the Manor of Bishops Stortford";
serving as secret agent	b.28.2.1907; d.29.3.1995 Brighton, Sussex; [BP] has her d.1996 in error;
with MI1(C) and SIS	she sailed from Tiko, Cameroon, West Africa (adjoining Nigeria) to Garston, Liverpool,
in France and elsewhere	on Elders & Fyffes Line SS "Reventazon", arriving 3.4.1949
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/	her 2nd marriage; she m.1st 2.8.1941 Maj. Francis John Angus Skeet
/	d.9.2.1943 (dsp); of Stortford Park, Herts; Royal Dublin Fusiliers
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#### who was ROLAND P. BLENNERHASSETT?

an unknown "Roland P. Blennerhassett" (listed in ship's passenger lists 1921-22 as of British nationality; b.c.1880 Sheffield England; unmarried; non-immigrant alien in the USA; "accountant/paymaster; resident of Bermuda & of Providence Rhode Island USA ), sailed from Hamilton, Bermuda to New York in June 1920 on SS "Fort Hamilton", again in June 1921 & Sept. 1922 on SS "Fort Victoria"; his address: Narrangansett Hotel, Dorrence Street Providence, Rhode Island, USA (where he had a friend Mr. E.B. Laderer)

no Roland P. Blennerhassett was born in Sheffield, England at any date; there were two men named "Rowland Ponsonby Blenner-hassett", one a well known Irish MP b.1850 at Kells, Co.Kerry (p.F 13), the other of humbler origins b.1879 London (p.BCL 04), but their known details do not agree with this Roland P. Blennerhassett; in 1921-22 William Lewis Blennerhassett may have continued to be employed on intelligence work, so I wonder could it perhaps be him travelling under an alias?; his travel to the USA could perhaps be regarding his work with the League of Nations, but why a false name?

served as 2nd Lt. (temporary) in MI1(C), Military Intelligence Corps (SIS - Security Intelligence Service) 1915-1918 in France and elsewhere  
NOTE: MI1(C) or MIIC was the British War Office section dealing with secret agents and liaison with bureau founded by Sir Mansfield Cumming, the original "C"; [The Quest for C: Sir Mansfield Cumming and the founding of the Secret Service" by Alan Judd, 2000] relates that "...at one period the War Office announced that it had subsumed Cumming's part of the bureau into MI1(C) and this was what the Secret Service would henceforth be known as..."

he was mentioned in despatches [The London Gazette" 17.1.1915, p.1651] [TIMES 26.4.1915 & 18.2.1915 p.5]; retiring at rank of Captain 1920, he continued his work with SIS until at least June 1921; officially "his abilities as a linguist were known to the foreign office, which following the war employed him on financial business in northern Russia and Finland in 1919"; following this he was British delegate to League of Nations, continuing to work for the foreign office as Acting British Vice-Consul at Kovno, Kaunas, Lithuania until June 1921; His obit. [TIMES 26.5.1958, p.8] states that he "occupied a position in Lithuania on behalf of the British Government" but this was certainly SIS work, vice-consul being the position most used as cover for SIS staff overseas; in Foreign Office file [NA FO 511/16] is a document written by W. L. Blennerhassett at Kovno 4.2.1921; awarded the DSO 1919 ([BP] has 1920), OBE (1920) and Croix de Guerre (France)

William Lewis Blennerhassett (named in error "Charles Blennerhassett") is mentioned in [The Zinoviev Letter" ch.2 "The Letter", p.57] in connection with the "Zinoviev Letter", a controversial document published by the British press in 1924, allegedly sent from the Communist International in Moscow to the Communist Party of Great Britain; the letter, which later investigation suggested was a forgery, purported to be a directive from Moscow calling for intensified communist agitation in Britain and helped ensure the fall of the Labour government of Ramsay MacDonald in the October 1924 election; the letter took its name from Bolshevik revolutionary Grigory Zinoviev, its purported author

as "W.L. Blennerhassett" he wrote for [The National Review" June 1918] [Blackwood's Review" Dec.1918] [Jan.1919 & Feb.1919]; he also wrote "The Gospel According to Karl Marx" pub. in [The Cornhill" magazine Dec.1919] and and "A Tragedy of Error: being a contribution towards The truth about 1918" pub. in [The Cornhill" magazine Dec.1920]; he worked his experience of revolutionary Russia into material for two novels, "The Red Shadow" (pub. Duckworth 1922) & "The Dreamer" (pub. Chapman & Dodd 1922), which were "...distinguished less for style or narrative than for their precise descriptions of scenes and events which the author had witnessed...";

Contributed to "Encyclopaedia Britannica" on Finland history [EB vol.9 pp251-253 of 1962 edition] and Lapland History [EB vol.13 p.718 of 1962 ed.] both under the initials "W.L.B."; he wrote letter on Russia to [TIMES 29.6.1920 p.12]

In 1923 returned to London Stock exchange where he was "a prosperous & highly respected member" for 30 years, with offices at Warnford Court, Throgmorton Street, London

In 1933 he sued Novelty Sales Services Ltd & the London "Evening Standard" newspaper for libel, over an advertisement in the Evening Standard of 26.5.1932, p.10, despite the E.S. having published an apology on 27.5.1932; The advertisement featured "H. Blennerhassett of Throgmorton Street, London"; initially a prosperous City man, after learning to use the Yo-Yo, abandoning other interests to obsessive use of his new toy; Counsel for the defendants was Sir Patrick Hastings "...in mocking mood..." & the case was stopped by judge for lack of evidence, he finding no case to go to the jury; See [The Stockbroker & the Yo-Yo" in "Cases in Court" by Sir Patrick Hastings]; [Libel & Slander" 1949 (ch.2, pp.22-106)], [Hatred, Ridicule or Contempt: A Book of Libel Cases by Joseph Dean, 1955, ch.10 "Blennerhassett v. Novelty Sales Services Ltd. 1933", pp.134-138]; Reported in [TIMES 19.5.1933] [Blennerhassett at Bay", Time magazine 19.6.1933]

ROSANNA BLENNERHASSETT (Rose Blennerhassett)

PIONEER NURSE  
in RHODESIA  
(now ZIMBABWE)

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d.24.5.1958 Innsbruck, Austria; obit. in [TIMES 26.5.1958, p.8]  
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m.14.7.1910 Brompton Oratory (RC) London;  
(Olivia) Frances Grove [TIMES 15.7.1910, p13]; d.2.1.1953;  
dau. of Sir Thomas Fraser Grove, 1st Baronet; of Ferne, Wiltshire

▷ **Sister Rosanna "Rose" Annie Blennerhassett (a.k.a. Sister Aimée, a.k.a. Sister Rose);**  
b.12.5.1843 at Paris, France; bapt.17.7.1843 (RC) Sainte-Madeleine, Paris (her name is recorded as "Rosalie Blennerhassett", but this probably transcription error; Rosanna Blennerhassett, daughter of a Baronet and from a prominent Irish Roman Catholic family, was born in Paris, France, raised in Ireland, educated in England

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Her father, Sir Arthur Blennerhassett, 3rd Baronet of Blennerville, Co.Kerry, d.1849 when Rose was aged 5 years. Her parents lived at Churchtown House, Knockane, Beaufort, Co.Kerry, and there she spent her childhood; In 1851, aged 7 years, she boarded at a RC girls school, The Lodge Convent, Silver Street, Taunton, Somerset; She had one sibling, her brother Rowland M. Blennerhassett (b.1839 d.1909), who succeeded to the baronetcy in 1849 at the age of 9 years

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Their mother Sarah Blennerhassett, nee Mahony, remarried at London in 1850 (She was aunt of Rowland Blennerhassett *Mahony*, b.1864 d.1937, an American poet and Republican politician who represented New York in U.S. Congress at Washington DC 1895-99); The Churchtown estate in Co.Kerry was sold out of the family in 1870 by her brother, Sir Rowland Blennerhassett, Bart. (F 02) who had moved to London & entered politics

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Shortly before 25.3.1868 Rose became engaged to the Right-Hon. Sir Francis Richard Plunkett PC, GCB, GCMG, GCVO (b.3-Feb-1835 Corbalton Hall, Co.Meath, Ireland; d.28-Feb-1907), 6th and youngest son of Arthur James Plunkett, 9th Earl of Fingall, of a prominent RC family, but the marriage did not take place. The engagement was reported in ["London Express" 25.3.1868, p.2], ["London Magnet" 30.3.1868, p.4] and ["Guardian" 1.4.1868]; F.R.Plunkett was a diplomat, at the time of his engagement to Rose in 1868 attached to the British legation at Berlin; 1873-76 Secretary of the British Legation in Tokyo; then Diplomatic Secretary at St Petersburg, Russia; Constantinople, Turkey and Paris, France; British Minister to Belgium; 1884-1887 British Minister at Tokyo, Japan; while at Tokyo made Knight Commander of the Order of St Michael & St George; 1900-1905 British Ambassador to Austria-Hungary at Vienna; Privy Council (PC) 1901; Knight Grand Cross of the Order of the Bath (GCB) 1901; After his engagement to Rose Blennerhassett had ended Plunkett married 22-Aug-1870 to Mary "May" Tevis Morgan (b.?.12.1850 d.20-Jan-1924), daughter of Charles Wain Morgan of Philadelphia, USA, and had issue Norah Plunkett (b.19.6.1871; m24.8.1891 Count A. Fersen Gyldenscolpe of Sweden) and Helen Plunkett (b.25.4.1875); He retired 1905 and d.1907 at Paris

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Following this terminated engagement Rose did not marry. She trained in London as a nurse (medical, surgical & midwifery) and in 1888 at the age of 44 was superintendent nurse at Cardiff Union Hospital in Wales. Hearing of the typhoid epidemic at Johannesburg in the Transvaal, South Africa; in the spring of 1890 she embarked for Durban, Natal, South Africa on the Union Line ship "Spartan", as a Sister of the Red Cross. On board she met a younger English Red Cross nurse, Lucy Sleeman (b.c1867 d.1905), they becoming good friends and subsequently working together for many years; *Lucy may perhaps be identical with Lucy Anna Louisa Sleeman, b.16-Apr-1865 Whitchurch, nr Tavistock, Co.Devon, dau. of Richard Sleeman & Annette Shuttleworth*; On their arrival at Durban in 1890 the pair first travelled to Johannesburg, where they joined an Anglican nursing sisterhood "The Order of St.Michael and All Angels", as Sister Aimée (a.k.a. Sister Rose) and Sister Lucy. They resided at the "nurses' home", the foundation stone of Johannesburg General Hospital being laid that same year; At Johannesburg Rose contributed "Graphic Sketches of Mining Life" to "The Diggers' News" ["Bush Advocate" New Zealand 3-Jan-1891, p.7 "The Ladies Column"].

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Moving on to Kimberley in Cape Colony (later to be renamed Cape Province), they nursed for 6 months at Kimberley (Carnarvon) Hospital under Sister Henrietta Stockdale who was matron from 1886-1894. Rose was employed as night superintendant; At Kimberly the two friends were persuaded by Dr George Wyndham Hamilton Knight-Bruce DD, Anglican Bishop of Bloomfontein and the new Bishop of Mashonaland, to undertake the establishment of a hospital for the mission he had started at Manica, in the south-east of the new British colony of Mashonaland (later to be named Rhodesia) then ravaged by fever;  
*NOTE: Manica is now a province of Zimbabwe*

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In the spring of 1891, in the company of a third nursing Sister, Beryl Welby, they sailed from Durban on the steamer "Tyrian", to the Portuguese port of Beria, arriving 26th May; Circumstances forced them to stay on board the "Tyrian" while it sailed on to Mozambique and Quilimane, returning them to Pungwe Bay, off Beria, on the 12th June; at 4am the following morning they set off on a small thames launch named "Shark" to travel 70 miles up the Pungwe River as far as Mapanda (Rose calls this M'panda's), a journey that took them over 16 hours in cramped conditions, sitting "...close against the boiler, with a temperature of something over 100 in the shade...".  
*NOTE: Beria was then a small town on the Portugese East Coast but had mainly British inhabitants - later it became part of the Portugese colony Mozambique, but in those days "Mozambique" was not a colony but the name of a town, located on a small island.*

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On arrival at Mapanda they found "...there were about forty white people there, miners and traders, and a more unhealthy pioneer settlement one could not hope to find - set down, as it was, beside a stagnant pool... Our hands were soon full of nursing, and all the time we were waiting and longing for carriers to take us up to Umtali, but they never came...". There they were helped by a carpenter "...one Wilkins, an excellent but doddering old person, who said that he had been with Dr Livingstone and told many anecdotes of the great explorer..." who recruited carriers for them. The Bishop, Dr. Knight-Bruce, had before their arrival gone ahead in a wagon to Umtali, their destination in Manicaland, and sent letters back requesting the nurses bring him some stores; No wagons being available, the three nurses decided to walk to Umtali, starting out from Mapanda on foot 30-Jun-1891 accompanied by Dr. Doyle Granville and Mr Sutton (son of the archdeacon of Lewes) and, initially, 34 carriers for the stores and baggage. The party braved swamps, crocodile-infested rivers, lion country, mountain ranges and the Pungwe flats to walk 190 miles (140 as the crow flies) inland to Penhalonga, near Umtali.

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On 30th June they started out on foot, braving swamps, crocodile-infested rivers, lion country, mountain ranges and the Pungwe flats to walk the final 190 miles (140 miles as the crow flies) inland to Penhalonga, near Umtali in Manica (a district of Mashonaland, a short distance inside the present Zimbabwe border). Their nine porters quickly deserted them but they were accompanied by a servant "...one Wilkins, an excellent but doddering old person, who said that he had been with Dr Livingstone and told many anecdotes of the great explorer...". These were the first European women to enter Africa from the East Coast; Lucy suffered a severe attack of malaria during the journey, but immediately following their arrival on at Penhalonga, on 14-Jul-1891, the nurses took possession of four round beehive-shaped huts with mud walls and earthen floors, and within a day had set up, by a fig tree on Sabi Ophir Hill, what despite great difficulties was to become a successful hospital

**UMTALI (now named Mutare)** - "Fort Umtali" in 1891 consisted of a few huts and a police camp not far from Penhalonga. In December 1891 that site was abandoned, relocating to "New Umtali" 6 miles south, the hospital moving with it, to a new building capable of taking 30 patients. Rose later described this move, with some humour, in the book "Adventures in Mashonaland, by two Hospital Nurses" (see below); During the 1896/7 rising in Rhodesia the relocated hospital at Umtali functioned as a Military Hospital, described by Elsa Godwin Green (my g.g.aunt - B.J.) in her "Raiders & Rebels in South Africa" pub. London 1898 [EGG]. An accomplished artist, many of her African paintings were used to illustrate that book; "The Military Hospital, Umtali", one of her watercolours of the time (signed E.G.G. lower right) appears opposite p.80; Umtali became the capital of Manicaland, one of the divisions of Rhodesia. After Rhodesia in 1982 formally gained independence from Britain as Zimbabwe, the capital Salisbury became "Harare" and the town of Umtali was renamed "Mutare"

#### **AFTER UMTALI**

Four months after their arrival in Manicaland, Beryl Welby married Dr. Lichfield of Umtali hospital (at 4pm on Christmas Eve, 24-Dec-1891) and the pair moved away (where to?). Rose & Lucy continued working in Manicaland, departing after two years in May 1893. As they were about to leave both ladies became dangerously ill with fever, but fortunately construction of the Beira to Umtali railway had commenced during their time at Umtali, so on the return journey they were able to benefit from this for the final 35 miles of the journey. They were replaced at Umtali Hospital by Sister Emily Hewitt (who later married Herbert Blatch of Massi Kessi) & Sister Mary Saunders (who later married R. Nesbitt), sent by Bishop G.W.H. Knight-Bruce to relieve them. Emily & Mary appear in the photographs "NURSES' HUTS" and "THE DINING-ROOM HUT" shown above; From Umtali the two friends returned to England via Capetown in 1893. Following their return an interview, conducted with Rose and Lucy at their hotel, was published in "The Sketch" magazine, a weekly "journal of art and actuality" ["**The Sketch**" **20-Sep-1893**, p.421] under the title "Nursing Sisters Aimee and Lucy - A chat with Miss Rose Blennerhassett and Miss Lucy Sleeman"; This was accompanied by a joint photograph, the only such of these two ladies that I have seen, taken by "J.Weston and Son, Grand Parade, St.Leonards"

On 2-Dec-1893 the two ladies again left England, departing Southampton on Union Line ship "Gaul", to nurse at St. Helena. From St. Helena they together returned to South Africa (when?), to nurse at Capetown. Lucy resided at Kimberley 1897-1902 with her family and Rose appears also to have been resident in Nov. 1901, when she had a Christmas short story published in "The Diamond Fields Advertiser" of Kimberley. Despite her engagement in 1868 (see above) Rose Blennerhassett did not marry. She is believed to have died 9-Oct-1907, age 63 - location uncertain but perhaps(?) in South Africa, at Capetown. (where is she buried?)

#### **"ADVENTURES IN MASHONALAND"**

Before their time in Mashonaland a letter from Rose in South Africa had been published in London [**Pall Mall Gazette 21-Aug-1890 & 31-Oct-1890**]. Three of Lucy's long letters from Umtali, dated 23-Jul-1891, 2-Aug-1891, 11-Aug-1891, describing their experiences in to her family at home in England, were also published in London, having been forwarded to "The Times" by her sister Mary Sleeman [**TIMES 28-Dec-1891**]; The publication of these letters no doubt led to suggestions that a book about their experiences be written, this being undertaken by Rose, she compiling into chapters 4 & 5 substantial parts of Lucy's earlier letters home; In these letters, and chapters, Lucy refer to Rose throughout as "Sister Aimée";

The book was published by Macmillan and Co. of London and New York in Nov. 1893 at a price of 8s 6d (reprinted Dec. 1893 & Jan. 1894) under the title "Adventures in Mashonaland, by two Hospital Nurses, Rose Blennerhassett and Lucy Sleeman", publication being expedited by help from Rose's brother Sir Rowland Blennerhassett, Bart., a member of the Athenaeum.

This work was reviewed in ["**Athenaeum**" **Oct.1893**] & [**TIMES 20.10.1893**]; also published as No.164 of "Macmillan's Colonial Library" 1893; A facsimile reprint published at Bulawayo, 1969 by "Rhodesiana Reprint Library", Gold Series vol.8; Quotes from the book appear in article "African Exploration and Travel" in "The Atlantic Monthly" USA (vol.74, issue 444, Oct.1894, pp.559-560);

Rose features in "Memoirs of Mashonaland" by G.W.H. Knight-Bruce DD, Bishop of Mashonaland, and in the Bishop's [Journals of the Mashonaland Mission 1888-1892](#) pub. by the "Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts" in 1892, is Chapter VI "Miss Blennerhassett's Journal" with her entries for 16th Apr. - Oct. 25th 1891

Rose is also mentioned in "Great Days" by Sir Frank Johnson and in "Raiders & Rebels in South Africa" 1898 by Elsa Godwin Green 1898 (Bill Jehan's g.g.aunt); See "South African Literature: a general survey" (p.134) by M. Nathan, Juta, Capetown 1925 & "Encyclopaedia of Southern Africa" 6th ed. 1973. Rose and Lucy are mentioned in "Experiences of Rhodesia's Pioneer Women", by Jeannie M. Boggie, pp 97-101 and "The World's View", by Nora S. Kane, p.130 ;

On 2-Dec-1893 Rose & Lucy once again left Britain, departing Southampton for St.Helena, on the Union Line ship "Gaul", to nurse at St.Helena. From St.Helena they returned to Kimberley, where in Dec-1897 Lucy Sleeman married an engineer, (Charles) Granville Vines (b.c1871/3 Peterborough); In 1901 he became an associate member of the IEE and IME, and during the siege of Kimberley he worked for the army, as a civilian, operating searchlights as signals to communications with the outside world

In 1901 Rose contributed a short story, a Christmas ghost story titled "The Red Marble Tank, by Miss R. A. Blennerhassett", to "The Diamond Fields Advertiser" of Kimberley, pub. in an "Illustrated Christmas Number", Nov.1901, pp.32-33; Granville Vines d.28-Mar-1902 of Typhoid (Enteric Fever) at Kimberley, bur.29-Mar-1902 at Kimberley. An obituary appears in the "Journal of the IEE" vol.32 1902-3, p.1157; *NOTE: G.L.Vines (perhaps their child) was b.May-1901, d.12-Mar-1902 of TB, at Kimberley, bur.13-Mar-1902 Kimberley; Mary Catherine Granville Vines (perhaps their dau.) was b.11-Jun-1899, d.4-Mar-1984;*

A nurses' "Garden of Remembrance" was planted on Sabi Ophir Hill, centred around a memorial seat into which is set a bronze plaque. Seat and plaque were erected 1941 by the Rezende mine of Umtali, to mark the 50th anniversary of their journey from Beira on the east african coast, and their arrival at Umtali to open the first hospital; An embroidered panel, made by Penhalonga Women's Institute, depicts Rose BH, Lucy Sleeman & Beryl Welby, with patients, at makeshift hospital they founded on Sabi Ophir Hill, Penhalonga 1891; "**First Hospital, Penhalonga, 1891**" is one of 42 such panels, each depicting an incident in the history of Rhodesia, together making a 100ft x 17in "National Tapestry"; These were designed and embroidered on linen over 15 years by members of Women's Institutes of Rhodesia, who presented them to the nation as a memorial to the country's pioneer women; The panels were displayed, with a copper plaque, in the members' dining room of the Rhodesian (Zimbabwe) House of Parliament, at Cecil Sq., Salisbury (Harare). Sometime after 1971 the tapestry was moved to the National Museum & Archives of Zimbabwe, at Bulawayo [RT]; The nurses' home at "Andrew Fleming Hospital" in Salisbury (Harare) was named "Blennerhassett" in her honour.

Rose Blennerhassett d.9.10.1907 (location unknown, perhaps in South Africa) unmn.



**LUCY SLEEMAN**

Lucy Anna Louisa Sleeman was born 20-Mar-1865 at Whitchurch, Tavistock, Devon, youngest daughter of Rev. Richard Sleeman & Annette Shuttleworth. Her father died while she was a young child and in 1871 her mother, a widow, resided with nine children at 26 Springfield Villa, Crediton, Devon. Lucy married ?-Dec-1897 at Kimberley, Cape Colony to Charles Granville Vines, known as Granville

(Charles) Granville Vines was born 1873 (either at Peterborough, or at Birlingham, near Pershore, Worcestershire); Raised at Fiskerton, Lincolnshire, where his father was Vicar; Educated Christchurch School, Oxford; Rossall School, Lancashire 18858-9 and the School of Science and Art, Lincoln 1890-94; A Consulting Engineer. Granville served his apprenticeship with Robey & Co. of Lincoln 1890-1894, attending evening classes at Lincoln School of Science and Art. Subsequently employed as "Improver" by Willans & Robinson's "Outside Department", working on construction of the City of London Electric Light Company station at Bankside, Southwark (15 months), House-to-House Lighting Station at West Brompton (4 months) and Hull Corporation Electric Light Station (1 month)

Granville Vines "while in delicate health" emigrated to South Africa c1896/7 "for the benefit of his health", residing first at Middelburg, near Johannesburg; He moved to Kimberley, where in Dec. 1897 he married Lucy Sleeman, then in 1898 to Bulawayo "to take up an appointment in connection with one of the mines" in the employ of A.L. Golding A.M.I.E.E. of Bulawayo (6 months). That same year he was engineer to Belingwe (in Rhodesia) Consolidated Development Co., Matabeleland; From the end of 1898 to May 1899 he was employed on construction work at Glen Deep and Jumper's Deep mines, Johannesburg; From 1-May-1899 he returned to Kimberley as electrical engineer and manager of "Mr T. Reunert's Electrical Department", also local agent for Reunert & Lenz of Johannesburg, responsible for the installation of "house to house" electric light at Kimberley. On its completion he was elected Borough Electrical Engineer by Kimberley Town Council. He took over as consulting engineer to the Council from George Labram, designer of the gun "Long Cecil", who was killed in early February 1900. Granville Vines was an associate member of both the Institution of Electrical Engineers (1901) and the Institution of Mechanical Engineers [**"Journal of the Institution of Electrical Engineers" vol.32 1902-3**]; The Kimberley Municipality City Engineers Dept. have a "Power Station Notebook" by C. Granville Vines, dated 1900

Lucy and her family resided at Kimberley during the Anglo-Boer War of 1899-1902 and were present during the Siege of Kimberley (this lasted 124 days, ending 15-Feb-1900 when the town was relieved by Lt-Gen. John French); Granville, a civilian, served part-time as private then non-commissioned officer in the Veteran's Company of the Kimberley Town Guard; During the siege he operated the town's searchlight, sending signals with the light beam, this being Kimberley's only means of communication with the outside world; For this service he was awarded the Queen's South Africa medal, with "Defence of Kimberley" clasp

Granville Vines died of enteric fever (typhoid) at Kimberley Hospital on 28-Mar-1902, buried 29-Mar-1902 at West End Cemetery, Kimberley (Den 6, Bloc I, Row C, grave 0005, no headstone); An account of his illness in the Kimberley [**Diamond Fields Advertiser" 29-Mar-1902**] stated that he "...has done excellent service for the town"; The same newspaper printed his obituary on 31-Mar-1902, as did the [**Journal of the Institution of Electrical Engineers" , vol.32, 1902-3, p.1157**]; His Kimberley obituary tells us "...Mr Vines, though no means strong, devoted himself with great zeal to the interest of the town and his loss will be much felt. He belonged to the well known English family of the famous mountaineer Mr Stuart Vines..."

The younger of their two children, Georgina Lucy Vines (born May-1901 at Kimberley), died 12-Mar-1902 at Kimberley of Tuberculosis; she was initially buried 13-Mar-1902 at West End Cemetery, Kimberley (Den 6, Bloc E, Row A, grave 20, no headstone) but her body was subsequently exhumed, to be reinterred with her father who died only two weeks after her (Den 6, Bloc I, Row C, grave 0005, no headstone)

Where Lucy and Rose resided from 1902 to 1906 is unknown to me; Lucy, herself in poor health that may have been the legacy of bouts of malaria in Manicaland, returned to England c1906 with her elder daughter Mary Catherine Granville Vines; It is suggested Rose Blennerhassett may have returned to England with them, but if this is so she left soon after, as Rose died 9-Oct-1907 and no death record has been found for her in England; Rose may have perhaps have died in South Africa

Lucy Vines died 25-May-1907 at St.Saviour's Hospital, St.Pancras, London, aged 42 years; She is buried at Kensal Green Cemetery, London

**"FEVER COUNTRY" by William Higham**

William "Bill" Higham, author of "*The Hammar skjold Killing*" (2007), "*Nakada's Touch*" (2008) and "*The Spiritic*" (2013), published by HiMa, previously penned a film script titled "*Fever Country*" (c1999), a fictional account closely based on Rose Blennerhassett's "*Adventures in Mashonaland, by Two Hospital Nurses*" and other East African works of the same era;

Higham, born in England and raised in Southern Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe), was a Rhodes Trustee prizewinner in English Composition and freelance photographer during the Rhodesian U.D.I. period; he later settled in Australia, where for some years he was copy editor on News Corp's "*The Australian*" newspaper at Sydney, New South Wales; he retired to Kyogic, NSW

**FREDERICK COURTNEY SELOUS**

Rose Blennerhassett was acquainted with Cecil Rhodes, with Frank Johnson (later Sir Frank Johnson) leader of the Pioneer Corps, and with Frederick Courtney Selous, legendary big game hunter, explorer and scout; It was Selous who led Frank Johnson and the Pioneer Corps into Mashonaland in 1890; Selous was author of "*A Hunter's Wanderings in Africa*" (1881), "*Travel and Adventure in South-East Africa*" (1893) and "*Sunshine and Storm in Rhodesia*" (1896), but Rose is not mentioned in these;

Selous was the model for Allan Quatermain, hero of the popular East African novels "*King Solomon's Mines*" (1886) and "*Allan Quatermain*" (1888) by Sir Henry Rider Haggard (1856-1925); also for the 'Sean Courtney' & 'Zouga Ballantyne' characters of the South African novelist Wilbur Smith; The "*Selous Scouts*" were a special forces regiment (a.k.a. Bush Commandos) of the Rhodesian Army that operated during the bush war 1973 - 1980

>> Rowland Blennerhassett, RN; Midshipman(?); b.6.11.1795; unkn.  
raised at Churchtown House, Knockane, Beaufort, Co.Kerry;

Perhaps(?) identical with the Rowland Blennerhassett who owned Annagarry House, Annagarry/Ownagarry,  
near Killorglin, bef.1837 (p.K 38, p.K 40)

but no evidence for this [GV Kerry 1852]; see also Robert Blennerhassett of Mount Rivers, below and (p.K 33)





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 she d.24.12.1846 at  
 Blennerville House of  
 "dropsy on the chest";  
 bur.25.12.1846  
 at Blennerville  
 [KEP 30.12.1846]  
 ["The Cork Examiner"  
 1.1.1847]; youngest  
 dau. of Thomas,  
 1st Baron Ventry;  
 g.dau. of Elizabeth  
 Blennerhassett (p.K 44)

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 of BLENNERVILLE  
 WINDMILL built by  
 Sir Rowland Blenner-  
 hassett (F 02) and  
 previously leased  
 to Sir Rowland's son  
 William B'hassett  
 b.1780 d.1842 (F 14)

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 Richard Chute  
 m.2nd 3.3.1847  
 Rose Mullins (de  
 Moleyns from 1841)  
 d.21.4.1898 (dau. of  
 3rd Baron Ventry)  
 and had further  
 issue 7 children  
 (p.K 25)

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 >> Eliza Blennerhassett  
 d.c13.5.1815

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 d.1902

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 m.6.2.1869 St Stephen  
 (C.o.I.) Dublin;  
 Cherubina  
 "Cherry" Herbert  
 d'Esterre Roberts  
 b. Dublin;  
 of 23 FitzWilliam  
 Place, Dublin 1869;  
 and of Ardmore;  
 dau. of  
 Norcott Roberts

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 >> Arthur Torrens Chute >> >>> Arthur Sydney >>>>>> >>>  
 b.5.10.1871 Chute Hall Torrens Chute  
 bapt.3.12.1871 b.12.7.1916  
 Ballymacelligott; /  
 of Portsmouth; d.1924 m. Margaret Jean  
 / Barnett; of Stockton,  
 m. Edythe Mary Geiger California, USA

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 >> Theodora Eveline (Evelyn)  
 Chute  
 b.16.4.1877 Chute Hall;  
 bapt.20.6.1877 Ballymacelligott

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 >> Cherry Herbert Ada Chute  
 b.10.9.1880 Chute Hall;  
 bapt.18.10.1880 Ballymacelligott; d.1963

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 >> Lt. Challoner Francis >>> >>> Theodora Chute  
 Trevor Chute / >> Cherry Herbert Ada  
 / Chute  
 b.6.5.1885 Chute Hall;  
 bapt.2.4.1885 Ballymacelligott  
 [BLGI 1912 p.112] has b.2.4.1885 in error

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 Lt. 2nd Battalion, Royal Munster Fusiliers;  
 d.27.8.1914 K.I.A. (WWI) at Etreux, Aisne, France;  
 bur. Etreux British Cemetery (grave IL6);  
 Etreux was the scene of the Rearguard Affair,  
 in which the 2nd Munsters were overwhelmed,  
 after long resistance, by 9 German battalions;  
 the cemetery was made by survivors 28.8.1914, in an  
 orchard close to scene of 2nd Munsters' last stand

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 m.29.6.1911 Mary (Maud) Emily St.Clair Hobson  
 of Myler's Park, Wexford;  
 she m.2nd <??> Carew

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 >> Arthur Rowland Chute; of Blennerville; b.20.12.1838; Ensign 90th Regt.;  
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 d.23.2.1858 at Calcutta, India, "while on service in the Indian Mutiny"  
 "...of disease induced by fatigue and exposure [IT 19.9.1862 p.3]  
 to an Indian Climate..."; his white marble headstone, against the churchyard  
 wall in the churchyard of St.John (C.o.I.) Tralee, is damaged

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 >> Trevor Bomford Chute; of Blennerville; b.c1843 d.?.7.1846 an infant;  
 bur.10.7.1846 Blennerville ["The Cork Examiner" 10.7.1846] [IT 19.9.1862 p.3]

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 >> Millicent (Melicent) >>> >>> Helena Jane Leslie; d.19.9.1876  
 Agnes Chute

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 m.6.2.1869 St Stephen (C.o.I.) Dublin; Cherubina  
 of Tarbert House, Co.Kerry; High Sheriff 1863; Capt. of Kerry Militia 1855;  
 In 1904 he sold the lands of Tarbert to the tenants under the land  
 purchase act of 1903, retaining only Tarbert House & demesne

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 >> Helena Jane Chute  
 /  
 m.30.11.1875 Ballymacelligott  
 Capt. Francis Ogilvie Fuller; of Tralee; Capt. 101st Royal Bengal Regt.  
 d.19.9.1876 Chute Hall [Limerick Chronicle 23.9.1876] (dsp)  
 son of Charles Wery Fuller













**BLANNERHASSETT**  
**EAGAR FAMILY**

>> Sarah Blennerhassett >> >> Dr Alexander Eagar >>> >>> Annabella Eagar; m. Dr Peppard of Co.Limerick  
b.est.c1755 MD, AB (TCD)  
Mount Rivers, b.est.c1780 Ardrinane; >> Sarah Eagar b.est.c1817; of Tralee; d.2.2.1856 at Mount Rivers ["The Cork Examiner" 29.2.1856] (dsp.)  
Annagarry of Tralee & Ardrinane, /  
(Ownagarry), Co.Kerry m.4.9.1838 Tralee (1st cousin)  
Killorglin, Co.Kerry / Robert Blennerhassett; of Mount Rivers, Annagarry/Ownagarry, Killorglin from at least 1814 (p.K 44);  
/ Known as "the poor bapt.17.7.1797 St John (C.o.L.) Tralee; [BP/FOSTER/LODGE] have b.27.7.1797 in error;  
later of man's physician" son of Sir Robert Blennerhassett, 2nd Baronet of Blennerville  
Annagharry House; d.15.7.1817 Tralee d.2.7.1862 at Mount Rivers ["The Cork Examiner" 11.7.1862]  
d.6.9.1826 Tralee /  
/ m.29.9.1811 Tralee  
**m.10.9.1776 [BLGI 1958 p.250]**  
**John Eagar (Agar)** has 1812 in error; NOTE: [BP] says Robert BH had "dsp"; however a Robert Blennerhassett, gentleman,  
b.9.1.1745 (not 1751) Annabella Yeilding of Annagharry (Annagarry/Ownagarry, Killorglin; p.K 37 & p.K 44)  
bapt.9.1.1745 of Cloghers, Co.Kerry; had a dau. Mary who m.20.5.1858 at Killorglin to Henry Parks, shopkeeper, of Miltown  
Ardrinane; b.est.c1783 /  
of Ardrinane, d.1838 Co.Kerry perhaps(?) not the same man; "Annagharry" & "Mount Rivers" are thought to be  
Ballynacourty, (d. of Richard Yeilding) different houses within the townland of Annagarry (Ownagarry);  
Co.Kerry; Mount Rivers was left to Robert's nephew Capt. Robert Rowland Conyers (p.K 41),  
JP Co.Kerry indicating no legitimate issue  
/ He held the lands >> Catherine "Kate" Eagar  
of Droumavally, /  
Co.Kerry m.27.9.1854 at Rathkeale, Co.Limerick;  
/ Capt. Townsend Blennerhassett of Ballymacprior Lodge, Killorglin;  
Attorney; b.11.2.1829; Kerry Militia; d.20.6.1867 (p.K 52)  
High Constable >> Alexina Eagar (dsp)  
for the Barony /  
of Corkaguiny m. (1st cousin)  
(as was his son /  
Robert & Robert's son John after him) >> Robert Eagar >>>>>>>> >>> John Eagar; b.1811; of Dingle, Co.Kerry; High Constable of the Barony of Corkaguiny (dsp)  
/ b.1784 Ardrinane;  
d.1814 "aged 63" of Dingle; Inherited >> Alexander Eagar; d. young  
Anascaul, Co.Kerry Ardrinane & Rathmilode  
/ >> Rev. Thomas Eagar >> >>> Dr Robert Taylor Sumner Eagar, MD  
son of Alexander High Constable of the MA (TCD) b.10.5.1849 (dsp)  
Tallis Eagar and Barony of Corkaguiny b.18.6.1814 /  
Tryphena Browne of Ardrinane; m. Caroline Webb  
[BLGI 1958 p.250] Established three incumbent of /  
breweries, at Dingle, Audenshaw, >> Margaret Elizabeth Eagar  
Tralee & Killarney, the Manchester; b.5.12.1854 d.1878  
last of which he sold to d.2.1.1893 /  
Christopher Galway of / >> Margaret Eliza Eagar >> >>> <dau.> Eagar  
Killarney m. Mary Taylor b.15.6.1857 /  
/ dau. of / >> <dau.> Eagar  
d.?.7.1843 Stephen Taylor m.1882 /  
/ Sir William Edward >> <dau.> Eagar  
m.1st 1810 Margaret Eagar Garforth LL.D., JP /  
(dau. of John Eagar, Recorder of Dingle) of Snyderdale Hall, >> <dau.> Eagar  
/ Yorkshire; /  
/ d.1.10.1921 >> <dau.> Eagar  
m.2nd est.c1821 /  
Susan Thompson >>>>> >>> Catherine Eagar >> <dau.> Eagar  
b.est.c1800 Rathronan, /  
Co.Tipperary >> <dau.> Eagar



















> Laura Adela Herbert  
Montgomerie Athill  
b.c.1850 St.Lucia, BWI  
of Battersea, London  
1881;  
Worthing, Sussex 1897  
/  
m.1st Ernest Francis  
Hercules Rickard  
/  
m.2nd 14.1.1880  
(Thomas)  
Richard Copeland  
b.c.1843 March,  
Cambridgeshire;  
of Croydon; d.bef.1891

> **Eric Blennerhassett Athill**  
b.Jan-Mar.1878 Faversham, Kent; of Faversham 1881  
/  
> (Maud) Alice Athill  
b.Oct-Dec.1879 Faversham, Kent;  
d.Oct-Dec.1887 Hampstead, London  
/  
> **John Blennerhassett Athill, RN**  
b.26.11.1881 Faversham, Kent  
/  
of 44 Windmill Road, Brentford, Middlesex 1909;  
seaman RN, Service No. F14385;  
[NA - Royal Navy Register of Seaman's services,  
Cat. Ref. ADM 188/588, Image Ref. 2384/384]  
d.Apr-Jun.1939 Uxbridge, Middlesex  
/  
m.31.5.1909 St Paul's, Brentford, Middlesex  
Edith Sophia Wicks; b.c.1887  
of 7 Orchard Road, Brentford 1909

> **Isabel Blennerhassett** : >>> (Grace) Isabel Dora Birch  
**Athill** b.c.1850/1 b.c.1875 Dulwich, Surrey  
St.Lucia, BWI d.Oct-Dec.1951 Ealing, London  
/  
m.7.10.1873 St.Alban's >> **Charles J. Blennerhassett Birch**  
Ch. Holborn, London; b.Jan-Mar1876 Dulwich, Surrey;  
Charles Birch meat importer's clerk 1901;  
perhaps(?) d.Apr-Jun.1956 Camberwell, London  
/  
> James Robert Birch b.Apr-Jun.1885 Brighton, Sussex  
fancy goods salesman 1901

b.c.1845 Oxford; of Holborn Viaduct 1873;  
Innkeeper at the Eloane Hotel, Goring Village,  
Oxfordshire 1881;  
of 45 Melbourne Grove, Camberwell 1891;  
of 1 Solway Road, Camberwell 1901;  
Timber Merchant's Clerk 1891-1901

NOTE: There is a BH - Birch connection on p.BKN 02  
also Blennerhassett - Beech or Beeche on p.BMN 04

> **Robert Maunsell** >>>>> **Rowland (Robert?)** >>> >> **Rowland Benedict** >>> >>>  
**Eyre Blennerhassett** **Blennerhassett Athill** **Blennerhassett**  
**Athill** b.2.12.1880 Victoria Rd, **Athill**  
b.15.11.1853 Twickenham/Brentford; b.17.2.1915  
British West Indies bap.3.4.1881 Portland, Trinidad, B.W.I.  
(perhaps St Lucia?); Dorset d.22.12.1999 Medway,  
medical student 1878; (his birth and death Kent, England  
records have Rowland, records have Rowland,  
bapt. record and m. Joyce Olive  
[FOSTER] have Robert) Thornton;  
/ b.31.8.1919  
of St Philip's Vicarage, d.1.1.1998  
Battersea 1878; of Sea Road, Felpham,  
of Reforme (Street), West Sussex 1891;  
Portland, Dorset 1881 West Sussex 1891;  
medical assistant 1881 left Colon, Panama for Southampton,  
of Sea Road, Felpham, on RMS "La Plata" arriving 13.7.1905;  
West Sussex, Govt. Officer & Customs at Trinidad, later at Tobago;  
England 1891 moved to England 1931  
/ d.Apr-Jun.1938 Croydon, Surrey  
m.11.3.1878 St Philip, /  
Battersea, London; m.?.?.1913 Trinidad;  
[FOSTER] has Maria Rossi Ricci; b.?.5.1884 Caracas, Venezuela;  
m.6.2.1878 in error; Land Owner at Caracas; d.15.2.1947  
**Agnes Sarah Parker** b.c.1859 Catherham,  
Surrey; >> **Ernest Blennerhassett Eyre Athill**  
of Belford Lodge, b.Apr-Jun.1878 Lambeth, London;  
Windsor 1878 d.Jan-Mar.1879 Wandsworth, London  
/  
d.4.5.1913 Trinidad, >> **Agnes Isabel "Lil"** >>> >>> Richard James  
**Blennerhassett** **Blennerhassett** Maunsell Collins  
**Maunsell Athill** "Dooley"; b.27.8.1904  
b.19.5.1879  
Endlesham Rd, Balham/Clapham, Wandsworth, London;  
bapt. 20.6.1879 St Philip's Ch., Battersea, London;  
of Sea Road, Felpham, West Sussex 1891  
/  
> Charles Reddie m. post1891; Trinidad, British West Indies (BWI)  
b.c.1857 St Lucia, BWI Richard "Dick" Collins  
adopted son

2>> Henrietta Charlotte >>>> Henrietta Charlotte Blennerhassett Woolley  
 Blennerhassett | b.Jul-Sep.1845 Brompton, London; fl.1861  
 b.c1821/2 Killorglin,  
 Co.Kerry >> George John >>>>>>>>>>>> Florence Kate Blennerhassett Woolley  
 Blennerhassett | Blennerhassett | /  
 as a widow 1881, of Woolley | m.Apr-Jun1898 at Leicester, Leicestershire, England  
 Hunts End, Buckden, b.Apr-Jun.1847 | **to: Thomas Villiers Crosbie OR William Henry Cox**  
 St Neots, Buckden, St Neots, Huntingdonshire; Huntingdonshire >> Ethel M. Woolley; b.c1874 Maidstone, Kent  
 d.?.12.1883 St Neots | /  
 m.2.7.1844 JP (Magistrate) 1906; >> Blanche G. Woolley; b.c1885 Leicester, Leicestershire  
 Holy Trinity Castrice, chemist & dentist  
 St.Lucia, /  
 British West Indies of 102 High Street, Buckden 1861;  
 / of 116 Oxford Street, St Mary, Leicester, Leicestershire 1881;  
 Dr George Newenham of 31 & 33 London Road, leicester 1901; of Stoneycote, Leicester 1911;  
 Woolley, MD, of Buckden, Springfield Road, Leicester, Leicestershire 1932;  
 MRCSL, M&LA; d.25.8.1932 Leicester, Leicestershire; Will proved 3.12.1932  
 b.23.1.1815 Buckden, m.c1873 Fanny <??>; b.c1847 Lincoln  
 Petersfield, Hampshire  
 /  
 bapt.29.7.1830 (aged 15) St Luke's, Chelsea, London;  
 surgeon, general practitioner (GP) and apothecary;  
 of Brompton, London 1844; of High Street, Buckden, Huntingdonshire 1848-61;  
 of 26 Ferry Road, Bardney, Lincolnshire 1871; d.16.5.1874 Bardney, Lincolnshire

>> Elizabeth >>>>>>>>>>>> Elizabeth Blennerhassett Thicknesse-Touchet  
 Montgomerie | d.21.2.1926; un.  
 Blennerhassett  
 b.c1822 d.15.2.1915 >> George John Thicknesse-Touchet  
 / b.27.4.1847 d.11.11.1866  
 Kings Bench 1897,  
 court case C194,  
 Samuel Smith Seal  
 vs Elizabeth  
 Blennerhassett >> Charlotte Anne >>>>>>>>>>>> Gertrude Anne Touchet-Jesson  
 Thicknesse-Touchet | b.15.8.1876 d.3.12.1963 un.  
 b.1860 d.1.3.1912 | /  
 >> (Charlotte) Dorothy >>>>>>>>>>>> Richard Michael  
 Thicknesse Touchet | Touchet-Jesson | Thomas Souter  
 Thomas Jesson | b.22.3.1878 d.30.3.1958 | b.31.5.1914;  
 of Great Houghton | / | 25th Lord Audley (s.1973)  
 House, | m.14.4.1910 | /  
 near Northampton | Sir Charles Alexander | m.18.10.1941  
 Souter; d.9.1.1958 | Lily Pauline Eskell

>> Maria Jane  
 Thicknesse-Touchet >> Thomas Touchet >>>>>>>>>>>> Rosina Lois Veronica  
 d.15.2.1867 | Touchet-Jesson | Touchet-Jesson  
 / "Tim"; b.17.7.1879 | 24th Baroness Audley  
 >> Dorothea Susan | d.14.10.1939 | (succeeded 1963)  
 Thicknesse-Touchet | / | b.10.7.1911  
 / m.25.8.1910 | d.24.10.1973 (dsp)  
 m.24.1.1878 | Annie Rosina | /  
 Charles Samuel | Hammacott Osler | m.24.4.1943  
 Twistleton | d.23.4.1922 | John Archibald  
 (his 2nd. marriage) | Joseph MacNamee

>> George Arthur  
 Touchet-Jesson >> Thomas Percy Henry  
 b.31.5.1885 | Touchet-Jesson MBE  
 23rd Lord Audley (s.1942)  
 b.15.9.1913 d.3.7.1963  
 /  
 m.1st 15.11.1952 (D)  
 June Isabel Chaplin  
 (her 2nd marriage) d.1977  
 /  
 m.2nd 26.4.1962;  
 Sarah Millicent Hermione  
 Churchill b.7.10.1914  
 d.24.9.1982 (dsp);  
 (her 3rd marriage)

>> Jemima Blennerhassett  
 b.bef.1827; un.

**dau. of Sir Winston Leonard Spencer-Churchill, KG, OM,  
 CH, TD, PC, DL, FRS, Hon.RA (b.30.11.1874 d.24.1.1965)  
 & Clemantine Ogilvy Hozier, Baroness Spencer-Churchill**

NOTE:  
 Thicknesse-Touchet  
 family is mentioned in  
 ["Bath" by Edith  
 Sitwell 1932, ch.12  
 "Society in Bath"]



>> Jane Blennerhassett >>> >>> Mary Armstrong  
 bapt.16.3.1760 fl.1802  
 Dublin; of Bishop's St. /  
 Dublin 1783; Inherited from her  
 she inherited from her grandmother  
 g.mother Jane Poujade Mary Poujade a  
 (p.K 33 & p.K 56) small legacy and her  
 "...furniture, gold "...best sattin cloke..."  
 wedding ring & silver (p.K 33 & p.K 56)  
 box..."

/  
 m.c20.12.1783 St.Peter's Dublin;  
 Edward Armstrong  
 [HC 25.12.1783];  
 ["Faulkner's Dublin Journal" 20.12.1783]

>> Mary Blennerhassett >>> >>> issue (p.K 09)

/  
 b.c1766/7 Ireland;  
 but [BIFR p.139] has b.1764;  
 /  
 Mary Blennerhassett in 1803 inherited from her  
 mother Mary Poujade, "...for her sole use...",  
 "...my gold locket of my mother's hair and my gold  
 seal with Blennerhassett crest, both hanging to my  
 watch chain..." (p.K 33, p.K 56)

/  
 of 15 Kensington Crescent, Kensington Road,  
 London 1851-9,  
 home of her son-in-law Dr William Bruce  
 and her g.dau Letitia Bruce

/  
 d.28.12.1859

/  
 m.30.4.1791 cousin  
 Capt. Thomas Blennerhassett of Tralee & of Cork;  
 Capt. Kerry Militia ("Kerry Legion" corps  
 of volunteers) 1779, Tralee Barracks (p.K 09);  
 d.17.5.1822 at Brussels, Belgium;  
 [BIFR p.137] has d.1825 in error

/  
 son of Rev. John Blennerhassett,  
 "Parson Jack", Rector of Tralee (p.K 08)

>> Francis Edward Blennerhassett  
 (sometimes named Edward Francis)

/  
 younger than his sister Mary who was b.c1766/7;  
 JP Co.Kerry 1797

>> Charlotte Blennerhassett; b.c1763 (not 1773);  
 of Dublin & of Tralee, Co.Kerry;

/  
 in 1803 she inherited from her mother Mary  
 Poujade Blennerhassett (p.K 33, p.K 56) a gold  
 chased watch, two shraggreen cases, chain with  
 two fancy seals and "my father's arms all set in  
 gold and hanging thereto";  
 also "...the manuscript directed to her..."

/  
 d. "the Sunday before 17.2.1847" aged 84, of  
 paralysis, at the residence of Jeffrey Eagar, Tralee";  
 ["The Cork Examiner" 17.2.1847]

/  
 m.?.12.1792 (dsp)  
 Rowland Eagar JP; of Castle Ballymallis, Co.Kerry  
 b.c1760 d.5.12.1830;  
 Collector of Excise (customs) Co.Kerry 1808-1826  
 son of James Eagar & Alice Blennerhassett (p.K 37)

>> Evelyn "Eva" Mabel >>> >>> William Ormsby  
 Blennerhassett | Maskew b.c1916  
 Tincler | d.1918 in influenza  
 b.c1884 Dublin d.1966 | epeidemic  
 /  
 of 53 Cromwell Road |> Marion Maskew  
 Hove, Sussex, with | d. aged 9 years  
 her aunt Louise, 1891 |  
 / |> (Thomas Michael) >>> >>>  
 emig. to New Zealand | Raeburn "Rae"  
 following her sis. Ida | Maskew  
 / | b.1920 d.2000  
 m.1915 Thomas | /  
 Stordy Maskew | m. Helen Thomas

>> Claude Tincler  
 b.c1893 prob(?) at  
 Carlisle, Cumberland  
 /  
 of Highfield House,  
 Bowness of Solway,  
 Wigton, Cumberland  
 1901 (with his mother)



NOTE: in 1883 he  
(like his brothers  
Blennerhassett  
Tincler 1879 and  
Ernest Tincler 1885)  
were encouraged by  
their Blennerhassett  
aunts in Ireland to  
to assume the  
Blennerhassett  
surname, his grand-  
father John Henry  
Blennerhassett  
having left no  
surviving sons

> Charles Lewis Tincler Blennerhassett  
b.5.10.1852 Ireland, *named Charles Lewis Tincler*  
(*Blennerhassett surname assumed 1883*)  
/  
in his youth a serious competitive rower, as were his brothers Blenner and George  
/  
of Kingstown, Co.Dublin; moved to England;  
of Kensington, London 1891; of Bexhill-on-Sea, Sussex 1911-26;  
of "The New Club", Bexhill-on-Sea 1926; of 53 Jameson Road, Bexhill-on-Sea 1935;  
plaintiff in a court case of c1908 regarding his father's Will of 6.8.1874,  
his brother Ernest being the defendant [IT 15.10.1930]  
/  
d.11.5.1935 Sussex; Will pr. 27.6.1935 [PPR]; executors: his 1st cousin  
Venice Maud Woolmer and her husband Shirley Woolmer, solicitor (F 28)  
/  
m.3.2.1883 St.Peter's Church, Brighton, Sussex, England;  
Catherine Elizabeth Paxton  
b.c1850/51 Adelaide, South Australia;  
of Palmeira Square, Brighton, Sussex 1883

NOTE: in 1883 he  
(like his brothers  
Blennerhassett  
Tincler 1879 and  
Chas Tincler 1883)  
were encouraged by  
their Blennerhassett  
aunts in Ireland to  
to assume the  
Blennerhassett  
surname, his grand-  
father John Henry  
Blennerhassett  
having left no  
surviving sons

> Col. Ernest Blennerhassett Tincler Blennerhassett  
b.29.6.1863 Monkstown, Co.Dublin, Ireland, *named Ernest Blennerhasst Tincler*  
(*Blennerhassett surname assumed 1885*)  
/  
Commissioned Lieut. in the 1st Battalion Royal Inniskillin Fusiliers, 6.5.1885;  
Infantry Lieut. at Portsea Barracks, Hampshire 1891; promoted Major 3.11.1902 [London Gazette 6.1.1903 p.109];  
served in China & India; posted to Tientsin, North China 1911;  
attached to the Indian Army 1912;  
retired 29.6.1913 [London Gazette 1.7.1913] [TIMES 2.7.1913];  
/  
served WWI as Lt.-Col Royal Inniskillin Fusiliers (27th Regt.);  
temp. Lt.-Col. Liverpool Regt (1st G. Battalion).  
Mentioned in Despatches (MID) [London Gazette 14.6.1918, p.7052]  
/  
for many years the Adjutant of the 3rd Regt. Royal Jersey Militia, Jersey C.I.  
/  
defendant in a court case of c1908 regarding his father's Will of 6.8.1874, his brother  
Blennerhassett Montgomerie Blennerhassett being the plaintiff [IT 15.10.1930]  
/  
of 8 Rue Ebu Yasser, Sporting Club, Ramleh, Egypt 1935;  
of Alexandria, Egypt 1938  
/  
d.2.8.1937 at 12 Rue Boileau, Paris, France;  
administration with Will pr.28.1.1938 London [PPR];  
[NA: Court Records FO 847/143/  
Estate of E.B. Blennerhassett - Consulate, Alexandria, Egypt, 1937]  
/  
m.1st Oct-Dec.1892 Kensington, London;  
Ethel Bowles  
/  
m.2nd Jul-Sep.1899 Middlesex (to either Mary Boyd or Ada Faithful) - CHECK THIS  
/  
m.3rd c1921/25 Alexandria, Egypt;  
Marguerite (Marguerita) Arduin  
[British Consulate marriages vol.15 p.203];  
d. post 1938







See "The Voyage of the 'Colleen Dhas' " by  
Russell McMorran [KERRY MAGAZINE  
issue 2 1990] and ["A Guide to Blennerville &  
the Dingle Peninsula" by Frank Blennerhasset  
of Tralee with Sara Hollwey (Pub. Butler Sims,  
Dublin, c1992 - BLENNEVILLE/2] p.G 7 & G 65

>> William Townsend  
Blennerhasset;  
b.18.5.1873 Coolaney,  
Tobercurry, Co.Sligo  
/  
d.c1874 (as an infant)  
Coolaney, Tobercurry

>> Ruth Isabel (Isabella) >>> >>> Weston George  
Blennerhasset | Morgan  
b.1900 | b.17.4.1923  
d.1.8.1933; | d. at birth  
of Montreal |  
/  
m. Henry George | >> Ernest Henry  
Mogan; d.1960 | Morgan  
b.6.3.1928; d.

>> Walter Gordon >>>>>>> >>> Stanton "Stan" Walter  
Blennerhasset | Louis Blennerhasset  
b.17.9.1904 d.17.2.1988; | b.24.5.1935; unm. >>  
of Montreal, Quebec | of Hampstead,  
(& of St.John, | Montreal, Quebec  
New Brunswick | (and of St.John, New  
during summer) | Brunswick in summer)  
/  
m.20.9.1928  
Florence Violet Crowe  
b.1907 d.1980

>> Arthur Haire >>>>>>> >>> Robert Lorne >>>>>> >>>  
Blennerhasset | Blennerhasset  
b.9.10.1919 Montreal | b.6.9.1950  
d. bef.1977; of | at Missquoi, >>  
Point Clair, Montreal | Sweetburg, Que.;  
/ | of Kamloops, BC  
/  
m.1st | m.3.6.1978  
Ruth Calhoun; | Sally Elizabeth  
of Montreal (dsp) | Haywood-Farmer;  
/ | b.15.8.1950 Vancouver, BC  
/  
m.2nd c1950 (issue) >> Richard Anthony >>>>> >>>

Gladys Irene Myers,  
MPA; | Blennerhasset  
b.16.8.1926 Stormont, | b.2.4.1948 Montreal;  
Nova Scotia, Canada; | of Halifax, Nova  
d.c1986; City Clerk, | Scotia & of New  
Halifax, Nova Scotia; | Glasgow, Nova Scotia  
Charter member of | /  
"Association of | m.1st c1968  
Municipal | Mary E. MacLellan  
Administrators" | b.11.11.1949; of >>  
of Nova Scotia | Hammonds Plains, NS;  
/ | Immigration Officer;  
/ | (p. Brian Hatchett)  
/ | /  
/ | m.2nd 1988  
/ | Debbie <??>

m.3rd  
Enid Annie Copeman >> >>> Angela Janet  
(not Edith) | Blennerhasset;  
b.16.5.1928 | b.28.1.1958;  
Norfolk, England; | of Owen Sound;  
emig. to Canada | London; & Toronto,  
early 1950s; | all in Ontario  
d.21.4.1975 | /  
Montreal, Quebec | Human Resources  
/ | Director, Geosoft Inc.  
(she m.2nd | Technical Director of  
Errol Vince Roberts, | Alumnae Theatre,  
who d.1994) | Toronto (oldest still  
operating Theatre  
Company in Canada)  
/  
m.1st 1.10.1977  
Lakeshore Evangelical  
Ch., Dorval, Montreal;  
Norman David Finlay  
/  
m.2nd 9.2.1990  
Brian David Muir













**MATILDA JANE WEBBER** was daughter of James Webber, schoolmaster (b.c1831 Blaenavon, Monmouthshire) and Matilda S. <??> (b.c1826 Wrexham, Denbighshire); Matilda had a brother Frederick W. Webber (bank clerk, b.c1862 Abergavenny); In 1871 they resided at the "National School" Master's House, a part of the school building, at 162 Hereford Road, Abergavenny

/  
**m.1st 21.4.1885 Crickhowell; Sarah Elizabeth Williams**  
 b.c1860/3 Brecon; d.10.8.1915 Abergavenny, Monmouthshire;  
 while her husband in prison; bur. Crickhowell (lower end of churchyard,  
 white cross under a beech tree, opposite what was until recently the  
 "Six Bells" public house); her headstone inscription has d.14.8.1915 in error;  
 Will dated 28.2.1906, pr. 22.1.1916 Llandaff (Cardiff); of Moreton, Brecon Road,  
 Abergavenny 1906; of 10 Western Terrace, Brecon Road, Abergavenny 1915

/  
 m.2nd 15.2.1917 St.Peter's  
 Church, Southampton;

as Irvine Benson, to:

**Matilda Jane Webber** >>> Gwendoline Thomas; b.c1887 Abergavenny  
 b.Jul-Sep.1864 | (step-daughter to Irvine Blennerhassett)  
 Abergavenny; widow |  
 of Abergavenny; >: Cyril D. Thomas; b.c1894 Abergavenny  
 Edith Webber (sister?) (step-son to Irvine Blennerhassett)  
 was a witness

/  
 her 2nd marriage; she had m.1st Apr-Jun.1886 at Abergavenny,  
 to David Francis Thomas; a draper (b.c1861/2 d.Jul-Sep.1913 Abergavenny);  
 in 1891 they resided at Moreton(?) Villa, Brecon Road, Abergavenny;  
 at her marriage to "Irvine Benson" she resided at Wilcot, Abergavenny

/  
 "Matilda Jane Benson" d. Jan-Mar.1959 at Southport, Lancashire

/  
 The life of Irvine Blennerhassett has been well researched by  
 historian Maldwyn Powell of Crickhowell;  
 See his: "The Crickhowell Sensation 1912-1913: The Tale of Irvine Blennerhassett"  
 published in the Crickhowell District Archive Centre Newsletter, No.13, Dec.2009  
 also published online with illustrations at:  
[Crickhowell and District History Society website](#)

>: Walter Patton Blennerhassett, b.22.6.1865 Westminster

>: Edwardine (Edwardina) Bessie Blennerhassett; b.27.5.1867 London;  
 bapt.7.6.1867 All Saints Church, Kensington, London; d.23.6.1867 London

>: Cherry Letitia Blennerhassett b.Jan-Mar.1870 Kensington, London;  
 d.Jul-Sep.1870 Poplar, London

>: Rev. Edward Townsend Blennerhassett (*1881 census has 'Edward F.' in error*);  
 b.14.2.1872 Valentia Island, Co.Kerry; at school 1881;  
 at home (No.4 Pensallt St., Bangor, Camarvonshire) 1891; Student of Philosophy 1891;  
 edu. University College Durham (University of Durham) L.Th. 1893; Deacon 1895;  
 Curate of St.Andrew's Cardiff 1895-96 (residing 119 Crwys Road, Cardiff 1895);  
 Curate of St.Fagan's Cardiff 1897; Curate of All Saints, Weston, Bath, Somerset  
 1897-1900; he is not listed in "Crockford's Clerical Directory" after 1902

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 Served in Royal Army Medical Corps 1907-1911 (discharged 29.12.1911) and  
 again during WWI, signing on 10.8.1914 as male nurse for four years with the  
 RAMC Special Reserve

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**NOTE:** What became of Edward Blennerhassett after leaving RAMC c1918 at end of  
 WWI is a puzzle... I cannot find his death recorded in England or Wales, so he may  
 have gone abroad after WWI

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**NOTE:** perhaps(?) identical with an unknown Rev. Blennerhassett (born c1869) who  
 sailed 16.2.1899 on SS "Dunolly Castle" from Southampton, England to Mossel Bay,  
 South Africa (approximately half way between Cape Town & Port Elizabeth), but this  
 is doubtful, as date conflicts with him being curate of All Saints, Weston until 1900...



>> (Thomas) Arthur >>>>>> >>> **Dr Richard Henry** >>>> >>>> Lucy Blennerhassett >>>> >>>> Lucy Alice Gregg b.post 1866 (under age 21 in 1885)

Blennerhassett	<b>Blennerhassett, MD</b>	b.Jan-Mar.1860 Surrey
a.k.a. Arthur Thomas;	b.c1830/1 Ireland;	/
of Ballymacprior	Surgeon & General	m. Abraham Gregg, Professor of Languages
Lodge, Killorglin;	Practitioner MRCPE	of 14 Rue Grange Bateliere, Paris 1885
& of Princes Quay	(Mem. of the Royal	/
(Princes Place), Tralee	College of Physicians	>> Harriet Madeline Blennerhassett; b.1862/3, probably Ireland;
/	of England);	d.c11.6.1863 Dublin [" <b>The Cork Examiner</b> " 11.6.1863]
b.c1814	of 72 Upper New St.	/
d.26.12.1865 Tralee	St.Helier, Jersey,	>> Richard A. Wilberforce Blennerhassett
[" <b>The Cork Examiner</b> "	C.I. 1861;	b.23.8.1865 Wellington Place, Enniskillen, Co.Fermanagh
<b>1.1.1866</b> ]	of Enniskillen, Co.	d.?3.1869 Clarinda Mount, Kingstown, Co.Dublin [ <b>Limerick Chronicle 16.3.1869</b> ]
/	Fermanagh 1865-7	
m.?11.1829 cousin	of Tralee 1868	<b>NOTE: There is another Dr Richard Blennerhassett, MD (p.F 33)</b>
Sarah Anna Mullins	/	
(de Moleyns from 1841)	d.28.7.1868 Mount Rivers, Annagarry (Ownagarry), Killorglin (p.K 44)	
of Burnham House,	home of his bro.-in-law Robert Conyers (p.K 41)	
Dingle;	/	
as a widow in 1867	m.1858 at Dublin;	
living with her son	Elizabeth Anne Bird b.c1831 Ireland; of 14 Rue de la Grange Bateliere, Paris; d.12.5.1885 at her home in Paris;	
Richard Henry	Will dated 12.5.1885 Paris, administration granted 22.6.1885 [ <b>PPR London</b> ]	
Blennerhassett at	/	
Enniskillen,	<b>[BIFR p.140]</b> has her a dau. of Capt. Wilberforce Bird, RN and 1st cousin of the Most Rev. John Bird Sumner	
Co.Fermanagh	(b.1780 d.1862), Bishop of Chester 1828-1848 and Archbishop of Canterbury 1848-1862;	
/	The parents of Rev. John Bird Sumner were Rev. Robert Sumner and Hannah Bird (Hannah Bird being	
d.18.12.1881	1st cousin of William Wilberforce b.1759 d.1833, the great philanthropist and anti-slavery campaigner) but I	
(g.g.dau. of Elizabeth	have so far been unable to confirm there was a brother of Hannah Bird named "Capt. Wilberforce Bird, RN"	
Blennerhassett &		
Townsend Gun of		
Rattoo, Co.Kerry;	>> Henry Blennerhassett d. an inf.	
p.K 25)		

>> Lt. William Blennerhassett, 21st Fusiliers  
d.23.3.1867 Killyhevlin, Co.Fermanagh  
bur. Derryvullan New Churchyard, Co.Fermanagh (with his sister Madeline)  
["**Journal of the Association for the Preservation of Memorials of the Dead in Ireland**" 1916]  
[**Old Irish Graveyards - Co.Fermanagh, part 5, by Eileen Hewson**]

>> Madeline Blennerhassett  
d.5.6.1867 Willoughby Place, Enniskillen, Co.Fermanagh; unnm.  
bur. Derryvullan New Churchyard, Co.Fermanagh (with her brother William)  
["**Journal of the Association for the Preservation of Memorials of the Dead in Ireland**" 1916]  
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>> Elizabeth "Eliza" >>>> >>>> <children> Conyers  
Jane Blennerhassett  
of Tralee; b.bef.1840  
/  
m.30.4.1861 (**[BIFR p.140]** has April 1862 in error)  
Capt. Robert Rowland Conyers (p.K33); b.bef.1840 d.1895; of Tralee;  
also of Mount Rivers, Killorglin, previously the home of his uncle Robert Blennerhassett (p.K 33);  
89th Regt. served in the Crimean War (son of Catherine Blennerhassett of Blennerville; p.K 33)

>> Charlotte Henly Blennerhassett of Tralee, b.c1840 (dsp)  
/  
m.1st 6.10.1863 at Tralee, Capt Henry Haire;  
of Aghaboy, b.bef.1842; 71st Fermanagh Light Infantry (Militia)  
/  
m.2nd 11.11.1868 St.Annes, Dublin;  
Francis H. Walker  
of Liskennett (Belville), Co.Limerick  
/  
NOTE: There are other Blennerhassett Walker connections on p.BW 01

>> Evelyn (Eveline) >>>>>> >>>> William Frederick de Moleyns; b.1.12.1874  
Florence |  
Blennerhassett >>> Evelyn Florence de Moleyns; b.3.12.1877  
/  
m.16.7.1872 Caherciveen  
Co.Kerry (2nd cousin); William Townsend de Moleyns;  
b.16.7.1850 50th Regt; Rector of Killorglin (p.K 26)  
d.28.5.1900 Killorglin



