

- 1728 Great scarcity. Riots,—battles between the Weavers and Butchers at the Fair.
- 1737 Proclamation issued for new Irish half-pence and farthings.
- 1739 The great frost.
- 1740 Cork Corn Market built
- 1744 War proclaimed in Cork against France
- 1749 Peace proclaimed in Cork with France and Spain.
- 1644 The six-penny household loaf in Cork, weighed 14 lb 6 oz. There was exported from Cork, 1118,006 barrels of beef; 37,852 cwt. of butter; 3,873 tanned hides; 50,850 raw hides; 19,289 cwt. of tallow, and 367 stone of wool.
- 1745 The Duke and Prince Frederick privateers, brought two French prizes into Kinsale worth nearly £1,000,000, the Proprietors gave it to the King
- 1746 Jan. 21, the Boyne privateer brought into Cork a prize worth £20,000
- 1746 The Cork militia consisted of 3,000 foot and 200 horse, also an independent company composed of 100 gentlemen, commanded by Colonel Henry Cavendish
- 1748 The Gaol of Kinsale took fire, and 54 prisoners (chiefly Spanish) perished  
The Magistrates of Cork opened a Workhouse  
16th June, a violent storm, there was hail, several measured 5 inches square, it broke windows and did other damages. A shower fell in Doneraile of a yellowish substance resembling brimstone, and had a sulphurous smell
- 1749 Denis Dunn executed near Broad lane, for enlisting John M'Fall to be a serjeant in the French army
- 1750 Robert Long, deaf and dumb, a great scholar, lived in Bandon. Jaue Smith, a fisherman's wife in Kinsale, had four boys at a birth
- 1751 Thomas Herlihy was hanged for enlisting for the French. William and Thomas Fitzgerald, for robbing Wm. Keating of 6s., were hanged near Broad lane. Denis M'Carthy was hanged for enlisting for the French.
- 1753 Matthew Callaghan, aged 18 years, was convicted in the City Court, for robbing Captain Capel, and hanged near Broad lane.
- 1754 Admiral Watson, with 6 men of war, arrived in Kinsale. Colonel O'Brien appointed Collector of the City of Cork.
- 1755 Subterraneous rooms found near Aghabullogue, containing above 500 skeletons. Denis Sheehan hanged at Gallows-green, afterwards came to life and escaped. The Marquis of Harrington, Lord Lieut. of Ireland, landed at Cork.  
A violent shock of an earthquake felt in Cork, at 36 minutes past nine o'clock in the morning. The first Market Jury sworn in Cork, John Reilly, Esq., Mayor; Jury,—Robert Traverser, Esq., Noblet, Phillips, Burgess, Usher Philpott, do., James Chatterton, do., John Webb, do., John Swete, do., John Wrixon, do., Stephen Denroche, do., Kevan Izod, do., Nathaniel Lavit, Merchant, Samuel Perry, do., Peter Lauhe, do., Paul Maylor, do., Peter Ardouin, do., William Riekkots, do., Andrew Franklin, gent., John Deyos, Merchant, Stearne Tuckey, gent., Robert Lane, Merchant, Francis Gray, do., William Finch, do., John Skeyes, do.
- 1756 The Fox-hunter, privateer, Capt. Townsend, sailed from Cove, on a cruize, and was never heard of.
- 1758 The City of Cork, privateer, lying at Cove, confined her officers, but her crew were pressed by a man of war, who liberated the officers. Capt. Cole's vessel foundered at the Giant's stairs.
- 1759 The Corporation assembled at, and went from the Lough, to meet the Mayor, John Swete, Esq., on his return from Dublin. Camp at

- Balliphehane. The City militia did duty in the absence of General Folliot and the troops.
- 1761 Statue of George II. erected in this City. Potatoes sold at 29s. per barrel. North Weir wooden bridge fell, a woman and boy drowned.
- 1762 A fire in Cat-lane, which consumed 150 houses. Andrew Franklin Mayor, ordered a serjeant and 12 men to mount guard at his house.
- 1767 Pat Redmond hanged at Gallows-green,—was cut down and escaped. Average exports for 5 years,—of Pork, 40,000 barrels; of Cattle, in 1767, 500 head; in 1774, 1088 do.; in 1792, 2993 do.; in 1787, 12,993 do. The Mansion house finished, James Chatterton the first Mayor who lived in it. Great flood and spring-tide, boats plying in the North Main-street.
- 1769 The sums remitted to Absentees this year, was £1,208,982 14s. 6d.
- 1771 Commodore Knight's fleet of line-of-battle ships arrived in Cove.
- 1772 Shandon steeple built by subscription.
- 1773 Several thousand hands employed in the Cotton manufacture.—Average exports of glass for three years,—in 1773, 399,222 glasses; in 1783, 22,240 do.; in 1776, 4,648 do.
- 1774 Sub-Sheriff M'Carthy and a party of the 28th Regt., captured Pratt and his associates, at Kilrush. Henry Shears institutes the small debtors' liberation charity.
- 1775 Several regiments embarked at Cork, for Boston and New York. Rockinham transport, from Portsmouth, with three companies of the 32d Regt., women and children, dashed to pieces in Roberts's cove, 33 escaped.
- 1776 Admiral Parker's fleet and troops sailed from Cove for America. South chapel built.
- 1777 Foundation of Tuckey-street guard-house laid by Hugh Lawton, Mayor, Fermoy bridge built.
- 1778 Sums remitted by Ireland to pay troops serving abroad, £1,401,926. The first general field-day of all the armed societies belonging to Cork city. Roman Catholics permitted to take long leases, several attended the City Court, and testified their allegiance.
- 1779 False alarm of the French being at Bantry bay. Encampment near Carrigaline. Another alarm. Statue of Hugh Lawton, late Mayor, erected in the Exchange.
- 1780 Brunswick-street chapel built.
- 1781 A violent hurricane in Cork city. Three regiments embark at Monkstown for America. Admiral Rodney arrived in Cove. Another false alarm of the French. The volunteers of Ireland received the thanks of both houses of Parliament.
- 1782 Ireland declared her independence. Peter's Church thrown down, in order to be rebuilt. Six sail of Lord Howe's fleet arrive in Cove.
- 1783 Three soldiers flogged, and one hanged for desertion, at the Lough. The "Two Friends" sailed from Cork for America, being the first legal cargo shipped since the war. The "Enterprise," an American ship, arrived at Cove, she had the "thirteen stars and stripes" flying at her top-mast head. The first dawn of Irish liberty broke out in 1779; Ireland obtained her legislative independence, with the consent of the British senate, on the 16th of April, 1783.
- 1784 A Charitable Infirmary instituted at Youghal.
- 1785 The Cork Merchants fitted out a vessel supplied with provisions, &c., to cruize off Cape Clear, to relieve vessels which the long continuance of easterly winds might keep at sea. Their Graces the Duke and Duchess of Rutland arrive in Cork.
- 1786 The Cork society commenced lending Three Guineas, interest free. Prince William Henry arrived in Cork. A public Dispensary established in Cork.

- 1788 Foundation stone of St. Patrick's bridge laid, M. Shanahan, architect. A committee formed for regulating the Portage, and for other commercial purposes, for the Port of Youghal. The new Meat Market opened in Cork.
- 1789 The key-stone of the last arch of the bridge laid by Lord Donoughmore, attended by the several Lodges of Free Masons of Cork, at which time it got the name of St. Patrick's bridge. Great flood in Cork, caused by rain, it was seven feet high in the streets.
- 1790 The Right Hon. Richard Longfield and John Hely Hutchinson were elected members to represent the City of Cork, in Parliament; Lord Kingsborough and Mr. Morris were returned for the County. The Mayor of Cork, Richard Harris, Esq., invited 200 poor room-keepers to dine with him on Christmas day. Cork Library established.
- 1791 A Sunday and Daily school opened on Hammond's marsh. Fort Westmoreland battery on Spike island, began to be built. The insulating wall and guard-house for the intended Gaol of the County began. Castle street widened, and the Merchants' Coffee-room built. The Lunatic Asylum began to be built, for which purpose £200 was collected by a charity play, owing to the exertions of Richard Harris, Esq., Mayor.
- 1791 Part of the Barrack at Youghal, blown up by the accidental explosion of two casks of gunpowder, by which several soldiers and other persons were injured; Great and disastrous thunder storm; that facetious Viceroy, Marquis Townsend, arrives in this City; Colonel Bernard, raises 654 men and non-commissioned officers, (by permission) appoints Sir William Clark, Major
- 1794 Illegal Oaths administered in the County,—suppressed; Lord Howe's Victory celebrated in Cork; Court of D'Oyer Hundred pass an order to erect public Ovens near the old Corn Market, to be used when the Bakers should not think proper to supply the citizens with bread of the legal size; £400 Reward subscribed, to apprehend the parties who attempted to mutilate the statue of George II.
- 1795 Part of the army at Cork under arms for three days, complained that terms were not kept with them; that they should not be drafted—suppressed—to their honor, they respected persons and property in Cork; The Freemasons said to have assisted in aiding the Prisoners' escape; Earl Camden, Lord Lieutenant, arrives
- 1796 Foundation stone of a Roman Catholic chapel laid in Bandon; Jan. 27, Ship shattered by lightning, at Coppinger's corner, now the Provincial Bank
- 1796 Colonel White, (now Earl of Bantry) testifies to the readiness with which the country people prepared to oppose the anticipated landing of the French at Bantry Bay, and received the troops from Cork, with true Irish hospitality; During a heavy gale of wind, a ship dashed sternmost into the centre-arch of St. Patrick's bridge
- 1797 The Hon. and Rev. Thos. St. Lawrence, dean, and afterwards Bishop of Cork, and the Right Rev. Francis Moylan, R. C. Bishop, presented with their freedom of the City in silver boxes; Vesian Pick knighted by Camden
- 1798 Rebellion; County proclaimed; the Bandon yeomanry escort 17 prisoners from Bantry to Cork, charged with high treason; Victory of the Nile, celebrated in this City
- 1799 Mitchelstown Bridewell forced by the mob: Prisoners liberated; Bonfires, and general rejoicings in this City, for the Anti-union vote; General Lake's *curfew* throughout the County; Body of a deserter (shot) suspended from a lamp-iron for 24 hours; Kidney died, aged 150, remembered Blarney lane a forest connected with Dunscombe's wood; Nile street, over-arched; Exportation of potatoes prohibited

- by proclamation; Red Abbey Sugar house, now Cumberland street, burned by accident; Bush Tavern, Lord Riversdale presides at a meeting for petitioning against the Union; City Grand Jury Spring Assizes, approve of the contemplated act of Legislative Union; the Mayor, Sheriffs, and Common Speaker, sign the address to his Majesty.
- 1800 Coal, 8s. 8d. to 9s. 9d. per barrel; George C. Jeffreys and William E. Penrose, Esqrs., Sheriffs, leave for London, to present a petition to his Majesty, against the Union, signed by 5,000 freemen, &c. Major-Gen. Meyers, interdicts the custom of soldiers siezing provision-cars on their way to the City. *Secret expedition* sails from Cove. Great demonstrations of loyalty at Bandon. Mr. Fitzgerald, Corkbeg, for several months, feeds 300 poor families of Ahada Union, at his residence, one of his children assisting daily. Cove, the chief Naval station—Admiral Gardner
- 1801 Imperial Union flag displayed and saluted at Lapp's island. 150 merchantmen sail out; foreign flour admitted duty free
- 1803 The troops on their return from Mallow, whither they had been in consequence of a false alarm of the French—hospitably entertained by the peasants
- 1805 £2,000 subscribed, towards erecting a "Commercials" in this City
- 1806 The Mayor remonstrates with Government—Gunpowder ordered to proceed by roads not within the City or suburbs, from the manufactory at Ballincollig, to an out place of embarkation. O'Brien, the Irish Giant, 8 feet, 1 inch high, a native of Kinsale, and a Templar, aged 46, dies and is buried at Bristol. Store houses ordered to be built at Haulbowline
- 1807 The Cork and Dublin mail this night attacked at Redgap, county Kildare, by 10 or 12 armed bandits; the Guard's arms having repeatedly missed fire, Lieut. Nicholas Alexander, R.N., the only passenger, (except a lady) gave battle to the entire, and brought off the coach in triumph! This young gentleman, son to the late Wm. Alexander, Esq., Glasnagannive, and Waterpark, (North) Cork, and brother-in-law to the late J. Aldwell, Esq., R.C.V. Rifles, has long since won his way to a Captain's commission; and his late brother, Commodore Sir Thomas Alexander, G.C.B., was one of the most distinguished officers in the service.—*See Naval Chronicle.*
- 1807 Sir Arthur Wellesley, presented with the freedom of this City, in a Silver box. General orders—soldiers dying on board the transports, to be sewed up in their hammocks and committed to the sea
- 1808 Great and disastrous flood at Aherlow. Sir A. Wellesley, Irish Secretary and Suit arrive. According to ancient custom; the Mayor and several yachts went down therein, to throw the darts of jurisdiction beyond the harbour's mouth
- 1809 Rev. Fitzgerald Tisdall, robbed and murdered by Murphy & Stapleton, at the Priest's Leap—they were executed at Cork
- 1810 The Corporation granted £100, towards the relief of the distressed tradesmen and Manufacturers. The Common Council entered into a resolution to wear no clothes but those manufactured in this City.
- 1811 The Duke of Richmond knights the celebrated John Purcell, of High Fort
- 1812 Freedom of this City, presented to the Right Hon. Robert Peel, (Irish Secretary) in a Silver box
- 1814 Foundation stone of the Custom house, laid by Collector Alderige.
- 1816 A wedding near Mitchelstown, during the night a jar of whiskey was thrown by accident on the fire, the place caught fire, and a large number of persons were burned to death; the bride and bridegroom, with a large number were scalded. Sadlier ascended in a balloon, and dined at Ringabella. Mr. Edwards attacked and robbed by soldiers in Faulkner's lane—they were punished.

- 1817 The Light-house at Roche's tower was commenced. The Mayor calls a meeting to relieve the distressed; Peace Officers, sworn; The dragoons ordered to charge the mob. Died, Right Hon. John Philpot Curran, of this County. Lord Bishop of Cork, introduce the Savings' Bank system into this City
- 1818 Wreck of the "Sylvan," on the Sovereign islands, all the crew perished, except a boy, who was three days on the rock, and could not get assistance from shore, the wind and waves raged so high, he was rescued on the third day by the dauntless Jack Carty, a poor fisherman of Kinsale.
- 1819 The foundation stone of the Roman Catholic chapel of Blackrock laid by Messrs. Beamish and Crawford.
- 1820 A desperate gang of banditti apprehended by Capt. White, J.P., eleven of whom were hanged. James Tucker was sentenced to 15 months' imprisonment for publishing a blasphemous parody on the Church Catechism. The Lee frozen, and crossed by foot passengers. A poor woman perished in a heap of snow near Gallows-green. A great flood, 5 feet high in the City; the Sessions Court was adjourned, as the Recorder could not leave his house in consequence of the flood, and had an aversion to boating. Part of North Bridge swept away with the flood. Meeting of Clergy and Churchwardens, at the Mansion-house, to take into consideration and alleviate the state of the poor. George IV. proclaimed in the City; Mourning on the 16th of Feb., being appointed the funeral day of George III.
- 1822 Commodore Sir Thomas Alexander, G.C.B. and G.C.H., of this City, died in India, after subduing the Birman Empire; he had the honor of giving a *dejeuné* to King George IV. on board the "Alligator," when at Woolwich, who, upon that occasion, conferred upon him the honor of G.C.H.; he was maternal uncle to the proprietor of the Directory. Mr John Walsb of this City professes to have reformed the Mathematical sciences. Sixteen farmers were hanged for agrarian disturbances at Carriganimma.
- 1825 The Lough of Cork dried up for a season for want of rain; people walking over dryshod, the only such instance on record. This year saw the falsification of an old prophecy that "1825 would see the downfall of Protestantism."
- 1827 Several shipwrecks on the coast.
- 1829 Intelligence of the passing of the Roman Catholic Relief Bill received in this City. County Club built, Architect, Mr. Pain.
- 1830 Anglesey bridge and new Corn Exchange built, Architects, Sir Thomas and A. S. Deane.
- 1833 Cork Lithographic Hall, South Mall—Unkles
- 1835 Tithe affray at Gortroe, between the military and country People—lives lost
- 1836 New County and City Courts built by Mr. Pain. Blackrock Church steeple shattered by lightning.
- 1838 Wreck of the "Killarney" steamer at Rennie bay,—Mr. and Mrs. Lawe, of Cork, with several others, including the infant son of Baron Spolasco, perished. Temperance Society established.—Very Rev. Theobald Mathew, President.
- 1839 Alleged robbery of a sum of money from a drawer in the Post office—no clue
- 1840 Winchard, a soldier of the 70th, hanged himself at Fermoy
- 1841 D. O'Connell and E. B. Roche, Esqrs., returned to serve in Parliament for this County. Joseph Hayes, esq., P. L. Guardian, succeeds in introducing and having Reporters present at the meetings of the guardians.\* Municipal Act introduced into Cork—first Mayor, T. Lyons, Esq. Shares (offal) discontinued in provision cellars, after

\* In opposition to the Commissioners.

- having been customary for 200 years. A Painter fell from the front of Mr. Vance's house, Parade, and was killed. The Cork Protestant Operative Association and Reformation Society established.
- 1843 Mr. Keffe O'Keffe of St. Dominick's mill, recovers the stone coffin of Falive Foin, Admiral of Munster, from a wall of the ancient abbey of St. Dominick, and presented it to the Rev. B. Russell, St. Mary's Chapel, Pope's Quay; in 1244 this Mill and Fishery were granted to Wm. Boareman. Great Repeal processions and "Monster Meetings" at Cork, Mallow and Skibbereen. British Association for the promotion of Science, visit Cork.
- 1844 D. O'Connell, Esq., M.P. for this County, (and others) committed for one year to Richmond Penitentiary, Dublin, for a misdemeanor. Dyke lit with gas. The Mayor (Alderman Fagan) and a deputation from the Corporation of Cork, proceed to Dublin, to visit Mr. O'Connell in Prison, but are refused admittance. Union and Repeal Clubs established in Cork. Mansion house leased to two Roman Catholic Clergymen at the head-rent of £58 11s. 1d. for a seminary. The New City Park commenced. A chased Silver Prize Medal, for "draining and subsoling," deposited by the Proprietor of the County and City Almanac, with the County Agricultural Museum

\* See Boroughs and Unions.

CITY ESTABLISHMENT.

- Mayor, ..... The Right Worshipful William Fagan  
 Recorder, ..... Robert Bennett, Esq.  
 Sheriff, ... William K Rogers, Esq. Lota, Cork
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| City Treasurer, Lionel J. Westropp            | Mayor's Assrs. { J. J. O'Brien,                 |
| Treasurer to the Corporation { Daniel Meagher | { Henry Hamblin                                 |
| Town Clerk and Law Agent, { See Index         | Surveyor.... { Patrick Leahy                    |
| Clerk of the Crown, Noble M. Johnson          | Auditors, ..... { Farnal Lloyd,                 |
| Clerk of the Peace, George Foot               | { Patrick Stack                                 |
| Mayor's Secretary George C. Feath             | Mayor's Auditor, R. Gould                       |
| Sec. to Grand Jury Denham Franklin            | Water Bailiff, . William P. White               |
| Sword Bearer, ...                             | Deputy at Cove, . . B. Verling                  |
| Coroners ..... { H. Hardy and                 | Inspector of Markets & Assay Master { T. Rogers |
| { H. E. Jones                                 | Serjts. of the Court of Record. { R. Rogers and |
|   | { T. Rogers                                     |

ALDERMEN.

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| Lee Ward..... William Fagan,       | St. Finbar's Ward, Andw. F. Roche |
| John Morrogh.                      | Francis Lyons                     |
| St. Patrick's Ward, Edwd. Hackett, | Mansionhouse Ward, F. B. Beamish, |
| John O'Connell,                    | William Corbett                   |
| Glanmire Ward, ... John Harley,    | Exchange Ward, . Daniel Murphy,   |
| Nicholas Murphy                    | Thomas Lyons                      |
| Corn Market Ward, Richard Gould,   | Custom house Ward, Nich. Vincent, |
| John M'Namara,                     | John Hodder                       |

TOWN COUNCILLORS.

- Lee Ward.—William Casey, Charles Sugrue, Timothy Curtin, M.D., Patrick Riordan, Edward England, Richard Dowden (Richard)
- St. Patrick's Ward.—Patrick M. Kelly, James Lambkin, Thomas Rochford, Denis B. Bullen, M.D., John Hackett, William Lyons