

# Researching Genealogy in Irish Newspapers

## DEATHS.

On Friday last, after a few days illness, at the residence of his brother-in-law, Mr. John Rourke, Blarney Lane, Mr. Tobias Burke. Mr. Burke was, in the strictest sense of the word, an honourable and an honest man, and his early death is a source of the deepest affliction to a numerous circle of relatives and friends to whom his many sterling qualities had endeared him.

At Mallow, on the 14th inst, of fever, James, second son of Edw. Sullivan, Esq., aged 22 years.

At her house, Mallow-street, Limerick, Julia, relict of the late Frederick Lloyd, Esq., fourth and last surviving sister of the late Lord Viscount Gort.

On the 12th inst, at Kilrush-house, Henry Rebow, youngest son of Colonel Vandeleur.

In New York, Mr. Edmund Mahony, in the 64th year of his age, a native of the city of Cork, Ireland, but for the last thirty years a resident of that city.

At Mannheim, in Germany, aged 43, the Rev. Charles Martin, officiating Minister of the British congregation in that city, and son of the late John Martin, Esq., Cork.

We have to record, with much pain, the demise of John F. Raleigh, Esq., Town Clerk, on Thursday, at twelve o'clock, after a protracted and painful illness, which he bore with every mark of Christian fortitude. In his death his bereaved widow and young family have experienced an irreparable affliction. He was cut off in the prime of life, having only entered into his 36th year. Mr. Raleigh was well known in the political circle of Ireland as an able and indefatigable labourer in the people's cause. Nature bestowed on him considerable physical and mental capabilities.—*Limerick Examiner*.

## Dennis Ahern

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It used to be said that one's name should only appear in the newspaper when you are born, when you are married, and when you die. For most of the common folk in 18th and 19th century Ireland, even these three occasions did not always apply, but you still might find an ancestor's name in the news. Irish newspapers contain a wealth of information about the daily lives of average people: Your ancestors may show up in police reports as the perpetrators or victims of a crime, or as litigants in a court case. Charitable and political fund drives listed names and addresses of contributors and the amount they gave. Reports of agricultural fairs identified farmers and how much they got for their livestock. This class will help you understand how to look for this type of information.