

Anna died the same year as your uncle Robert—1854. I know of nothing else which would interest you. I have given you all I recollect, and trust that it may meet with your approval.

I remain, my dear Maggie,

The last of the Stock,

UNCLE HENRY.

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Mr. and Mrs. Singleton, the father and mother of the above uncle Henry, reared a family of eight sons and daughters.

William, the eldest (an M.A. of Trinity College, Dublin), was a clergyman of the Church of England. He died at Brighton, near Melbourne, June 14th, 1875.

Thomas Lewis died in Ireland.

John was a physician; died in Melbourne, September 30th, 1891.

Robert died in Ireland in 1854.

Anna Lewis died unmarried 9th August, 1854.

Elizabeth, married, died 13th August, 1860.

Mary Matilda, married George Mackay, LL.D., Trinity College, Dublin, died 13th September, 1892.

Henry Plant, still living November, 1902, hale and hearty.

A SHORT ACCOUNT OF THE FAMILY OF THE LATE FRANCES SINGLETON, WIFE OF THE REV. WILLIAM J. SINGLETON, M.A., WRITTEN AT THE REQUEST OF HER SON, THE LATE THEOPHILUS ALEXANDER SINGLETON, BY HIS SISTER, MARGARITA W. SINGLETON.

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MRS. FRANCES SINGLETON, wife of the Rev. William J. Singleton, whose maiden name was Frances Trulock, was born in Dublin, on 12th October, 1808.

Her father was Wm. Trulock, a native of Connaught. There is no likeness of him, but I have heard mother say that he had very well shaped hands, feet and legs, and looked well when he wore black silk stockings and knee breeches, the then evening dress, which he always appeared in when he went to the Dublin Corporation dinners, &c.

He was married to a Mrs. Cumming, the widow of a lieutenant in the Army, who had four children, a boy and three girls. The boy went to sea and was not heard of again. One girl died young, and the other two, Aunts Margaret and Essey, grew up in their stepfather's house.

Aunt Margaret was Aunt Page, having married Theophilus Page, a big man over 6 feet, one of the kindest of men, and called by all the children of the family Dada Page. I do not remember him, but I have often seen his likeness, a large oil painting, life size, which you have no doubt seen at his daughter's, Anna Stephenson's in Bray, Ireland.

Mother always said that our Auntie Page was a second mother to her and that all she knew about house-keeping she had learned from her.

Aunt Essey I remember seeing in her coffin, the housemaid took me in her arms and went into the room to look at her. She was the first person I ever saw dead. I think she had a great look of mother.

Grandfather had four children, a son, William, who was much older than Frances, his only other child who lived to grow up, and was our mother.

The other two children died in infancy. I have a red Cornelian ring with their hair at the back. Grandfather had it made for himself and mother gave it to me. Mother was only about six years old when her mother died.

The silver spoon which I gave you has "W." and "R. T." under the crest, standing for William and Rachel Trulock. Aunt Trulock was mother's brother's wife, and, as you say, one of the best of women.

She was a good sister to mother and Aunt Essey, and was good to all those who lived in the house with her, and a good daughter-in-law to grandfather. She first saw him die, then her husband, then Aunt Essey, and also her own eight children, only two of whom grew up, Georgina and George Marshall, called after a Mr. Marshall, who was an old friend of the family, and who once when he was over in Dublin, took mother, then a young girl, for a trip to Scotland, where she went about to see many friends and enjoyed herself so much that she often talked of the pleasure she had had.

Her mother's maiden name appears to have been Duffield, and she came from the North of Ireland.

I know that she had cousins named Duffield, North of Ireland people. You were called Alexander after one of them. A sister of his, named Martha, was married to a William Shaw, who went to live in Limerick, and who was also from the North of Ireland. I remember seeing him, and his giving me money; with this there was a pair of tortoise-shell side combs bought, which, to my great sorrow, I soon broke. Some years before the dear mother's death she was talking to a gentleman who had been in Connaught, and knew the neighbourhood where, in her young days, she had spent some happy months with her relatives the French's. He spoke of Lord Wallscourt, and mother said that the Lord Wallscourt of her time was a cousin of her father, and that Mr. French, with whom she was stopping when in Connaught, was an uncle of the then Lord Wallscourt. She had been over to Wallscourt House and grounds, but the family were on the Continent, so that she missed seeing them.

Mother was married on the 11th October, 1834, some time after her father's death.

She spent the first years of her married life at "Valetta," near Bray, in the County Wicklow, which was built with her money. From there they went to Finglas, in the County Dublin, for, I think, about nine years, and from there to Melbourne, Australia, in the good ship "Tasman," Captain Blackburn, which dropped anchor in Corio Bay, Geelong, on 29th, October, 1849.

On coming to Melbourne, they received much kindness from Mr. John R. Murphy, the brewer, to whom they had a letter of introduction from a friend in Dublin.

After a few weeks in Melbourne father was given the incumbency of Kilmore, about 40 miles north of Melbourne, and at that