

The Bungalow

Betsboro

Skibbereen

Co. Cork

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There was once a solicitor named Mr Jasper Wolfe. His father was the local shopkeeper and also Methodist. Jasper Wolfe was made Crown Solicitor. Basically he brought criminals of small crimes to court for the British Government. He lived in Norton House on North Street in Skibbereen. (now in 2017 this is used as a planning office by Cork County Council).

The IRA sent people to kill Jasper for bringing Irish people to court. But, as many times as they tried, they failed!

Mrs MacDonald was Jasper's neighbour and she worked as a domestic in the local convent. On one occasion when Jasper was home and the IRA came to kill him, Mrs MacDonald came to his rescue. She entered his house through a back door, bringing with her one of the nun's habits off the washing line. She dressed him in the nun's habit. They got out of Skibbereen to safety. Mrs MacDonald's daughter went to work for his legal practice years later.

My Uncle Ivan's father in law told my Dad this story!



Jasper Wolfe



Norton House